



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2406

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The City of Sebring has reached a time where our current radios are obsolete and can no longer be supported or repaired. This is forcing us to purchase new radios to maintain effective law enforcement operations. This upgrade, while being necessary for operations, will allow for better communications and increased safety of our officers when responding on calls.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	310,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	310,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	310,000	76%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	100,000	24%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	410,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects



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10. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction
 N/A

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

11. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

12. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Other Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	N/A	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	N/A	0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	N/A	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Purchase of 40 portable radios with GPS tracking and backup cell network service.	310,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	N/A	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		310,000

13. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?

This project will replace all portable radios (40) in the Sebring Police Department's inventory which were obsolete as of 2023. These radios are a lifeline between centralized dispatch and our law enforcement personnel.

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

These portable radios will be used by law enforcement personnel on public safety calls as well as emergency communication and location sharing for the safety of our officers.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?



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Direct services provided will be quicker, more accurate responses and communication in the field as well as enhanced safety for our personnel to offer a better quality of life.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

All 11,000 permanent residents of Sebring, the over 5,000 guests we host in the winter, the 9,000 daily commuters, and the 42,000 people who drive through Sebring each day will benefit from this service.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

Having reliable communication will allow us to maintain our current response times and possibly lower times due to enhanced reliability in new radios. This will be measured by comparing response times against previous years. The immeasurable intangible of officer and public safety will be of great benefit to all involved as well.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

Failure to meet deliverables or performance could result in forfeiture of funds.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:

b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No



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No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

18. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

For Profit Entity

Non Profit 501(c)(3)

Non Profit 501(c)(4)

Local Entity

University or College

Other (please specify)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number **Ext.**

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.