



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2410

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Glades County (County) will seek contractual services to modify and harden the current 50+ year old fire rescue public safety facility with storm rated openings, upgrading the HVAC system, structural defects and security improvements in order to adequately and efficiently address growth (new Lakefront Estates development) and the increase demands for public safety services in the Buckhead Ridge and Lakeport communities, which are located in a Rural Area of Opportunity.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	900,000
Total State Funds Requested	900,000

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)	900,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	900,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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?

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)? No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction? 03/01/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 06/30/2027

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

General Revenue

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.

Glades County is the owner 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	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Contractual services for design, bidding services, engineering during construction, administration, project management and construction observation and construction services to modify and harden the facility with storm rated openings, upgrading the HVAC system, structural defects, security concerns, etc.	900,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		900,000

13. Program Performance

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

Goal is to provide appropriate safe, secure facility to provide efficient fire rescue public safety services for the northeast area of Glades County with hardening of the existing 50+ year old fire rescue station that will include roof replacement, H-VAC system, storm rated openings, address structural defects and security system improvements.

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



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To seek contractual architectural/engineering services for design, bidding services, engineering during construction, administration, project management and construction observation and construction services to modify and harden the facility with storm rated openings, upgrading the HVAC system, structural defects, security concerns, etc. through the County's procurement policies and procedures.

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

Once the fire rescue station improvements are completed, first responders and emergency personnel have appropriate housing where they can properly operate to provide essential and necessary public safety services to protect life, health, property and the environment from harm in this Rural Area of Opportunity.

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

Target population includes northeast area of Glades County citizenry, residents, visitors, winter residents, commercial and residential properties, the environment and users of the heavily traveled two-lane State Road 78 that is located in a Rural Area of Opportunity. Growth is increasing in this area at a rapid pace. Expected to be served is greater than 12,000 and includes the areas served by the Caloosahatchee River Basin and Estuary, Lake Okeechobee Watershed Basin and the Everglades West Coast Watershed areas.

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

Expected outcome is an updated, safe and hardened fire rescue public safety facility for first responders and emergency personnel to provide efficient and effective life saving services in the rapidly growing northeast area of Glades County, which is designated as a Rural Area of Opportunity. Completion and certification of the improvements.

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?

Contractual agreements will include timelines, milestones to be adhered throughout the project. Implementation of corrective action plan and non-payment of invoices until milestones achieved.

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:



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

- Yes, Applied
- Yes, Received
- No
- 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



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b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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