



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2418

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This project proposes the purchase of a fire suppression tanker to improve response coverage and better serve South Miami-Dade County, Florida City, Homestead, and surrounding areas without access to fire hydrants. This tanker will be temporarily located at MDFR Station 16, located at 255 NW 4th Ave in Homestead, FL. This tanker will be moved to MDFR station 72, to be located at 1050 West Palm Drive, once its construction is complete and the location becomes operational.

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	650,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	650,000

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)	650,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	650,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	1,300,000	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)?

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		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Purchase of a Fire Suppression Tanker for MDFR.	650,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		650,000

13. Program Performance

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

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



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This project will provide the funds needed for MDFR to purchase a Fire Suppression Tanker to be temporarily located at Station 16, until the completion of MDFR station 72. The tanker is an essential tool for responding to fires in South Miami-Dade, offering quick access to water and adaptability in a variety of environments, enhancing the area's firefighting capabilities.

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

Residents and visitors within the service territory will benefit from the purchase of a fire suppression tanker. This vehicle will be used for fire suppression efforts in critical state and Federal entities such as the Turkey Point Nuclear Plant, Florida Everglades National Park, and other resources in South Miami-Dade County, Florida City, Homestead, and surrounding areas.

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

This project will benefit all residents and visitors to the South Miami-Dade, Florida City, Homestead, and surrounding areas.

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

South Miami-Dade includes areas that are more rural, such as the Everglades and large parts of the Redlands agricultural area. These places may lack a dense network of fire hydrants or water infrastructure, so fire tankers can be crucial in providing immediate water supply for firefighting. The tanker will enhance service delivery to the neighboring communities and improve response to areas in need of immediate fire suppression assistance. MDFR utilizes Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) data to track response times, unit availability, and unit reliability, which will be the key performance measures analyzed to determine that the intended outcomes are being met. Measure unit availability and response time before and after implementation of the tanker.

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 will result in non-payment

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? No

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#:



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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
- 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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c. E-mail Address

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d. Phone Number

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