



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2559

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Overall project consists of improving 16,000 sq. ft. of cargo infrastructure to accommodate imports and exports at the facility. This will include resurfacing, relocating power lines below ground, relocating stormwater and removal of obsolete infrastructure. Phase I will consist of improving cargo management area adjacent to the port's bulkhead and relocating stormwater.

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	1,200,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,200,000</b>

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)	1,200,000	95%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	63,158	5%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>1,263,158</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.

County will pursue Federal opportunities to obtain some of the needed 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?** 1/1/2026

**d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?** 6/30/2027

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

Local funds and Port revenues will be used to fund 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.**

Putnam County Port Authority, which is by legislative decree the Putnam County Board of County Commissioners

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Engineering, design and improvement of the docking area adjacent to the bulkhead and relocation of stormwater	1,200,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,200,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

Requested funds will consist of relocating stormwater at Port Putnam and resurfacing the cargo layout area adjacent to the bulkhead in order to accommodate cargo to be imported and exported by local enterprises and manufacturers.

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

Facilities improvements will allow for the handling of import and export cargo at Port Putnam. This will allow current and future businesses in Putnam County and surrounding counties to expand their market share and, as a result, their enterprises.



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

Commercial activities at Port Putnam ensuing these improvements will result in local business expansion, creation of additional well paying jobs, and an infusion of new funds into the local economy.

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

This project will serve the entire population of Putnam County and beyond.

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

Expected benefits are:  
 - commercial activities at port will expand business transportation options and will remove certain heavy transports off our roads. This will be measured by improved traffic conditions in the community.  
 - commercial activities at port will local business expansions and the resulting creation of well paying jobs. This will be measured by expanded local businesses and an increase in available well paying jobs in the community.

**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?**

Contracting agency to absorb costs associated with features of work failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided in contract.

**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



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- 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):**

### Please complete questions 17 through 21 for Water Projects only.

**17. Have you been awarded or applied for alternative state funding for this project?**

- Water Quality Improvement Grant Program
- Resilient Florida Grant Program
- Wastewater Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify, ex. Alternative Water Supply Grants)
- N/A

**18. What is the population economic status?**

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

**19. What is the status of construction?**

**20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?**

**21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?**

**22. Requester Contact Information**

**a. First Name**  **Last Name**



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**b. Organization**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**  **Ext.**

**23. 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.**

**24. Lobbyist Contact Information**

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**

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