



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2615

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

Construction of water main improvements include, but is not limited to replacement of a water main which is currently laying on the seabed with a subaqueous waterman. Additionally, design and construction of necessary bridge refurbishment to include, but not limited to new wiring, new generator, control room renovation, and thermal protection for exposed steel and structural reinforcement. The residents of the neighborhood will directly benefit from a more protected water main which provides critical potable water and fire flow for fire protection services. Additionally, the bridge refurbishment will allow for more reliable operation of the draw bridge, especially during extreme hot temperatures in which case the bridge can expand and fail to close properly.

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	1,300,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,300,000

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)	1,300,000	87%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	200,000	13%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	1,500,000	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		
2024-25	0	400,000	2069A	No

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.**

Not available at this time.



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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

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? 06/12/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 05/14/2027

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.

City of Panama City

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		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The requested funds for this proposed project will allow the city of Panama City to be able to obtain final permits, bid the project publicly for construction, as well as fund he CEI portion of this project so they can assure the project is done correctly and certified to the state and other permitting agencies.	1,300,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,300,000

13. Program Performance

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



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The Tarpon Dock Bridge is one of the few remaining draw bridges remaining in the State. This bridge is necessary to maintain not only residential traffic, but also first responder access and egress to a historic neighborhood. Additionally, the United States Coast Guard requires we maintain access to the body of water the bridge crosses. This project consists of replacement of a subaqueous water main and bridge refurbishment activities.

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

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

The residents of the neighborhood will directly benefit from a more protected water main which provides critical potable water and fire flow for fire protection services. Additionally, the bridge refurbishment will allow for more reliable operation of the draw bridge, especially during extreme hot temperatures in which case the bridge can expand and fail to close properly.

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

>800

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

The Tarpon Dock Bridge adds to the character and charm of our community. This project will allow for the continued operation of the bridge for the traveling public and confirm with USCG requirements of maintaining access to Massalina Bayou Preservation of one of the few remaining draw bridges in the state. Performing the subaqueous water main replacement will better protect the water main from vessels witch currently travel over the water main that rests on the sea bed. Additionally, the bridge refurbishment will allow for continued and more reliable access to a large historic neighborhood for emergency first responders. Measurable: Survey of residents. Number of bridge closures due to mechanical/thermal interruptions.

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?

Return of funds.

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 infastructure)

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



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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

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) Local Government

d. First Name **Last Name**



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e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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