



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2626

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

4. Project/Program Description

The community center in the Town of Altha was completely destroyed during Hurricane Michael in 2018. These funds would greatly benefit the Town by providing the resources needed to complete construction of the new community center. A new community center would not only provide a central location to host various events, but would also serve as an emergency resource center during/after natural disasters. With the latest hurricane vastly impacting our neighboring communities it has become even more important to provide a valuable emergency resource for this community.

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

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)	1,000,000	35%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	1,856,884	65%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	2,856,884	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? 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?

Once constructed, the Town of Altha will handle all funding for ongoing operations and maintenance of the building.

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.

The Town of Altha (entity) is the owner of the Altha Park (facility) and will directly receive the capital outlay funding.

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	Minor additional design and enhancements of Community Center with paved parking lot, lighting upgrades, appliances, interior upgrades, security fencing and landscaping	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

The goal for this project is to give the Town of Altha a community center that they can be proud of and provide a building that is suitable for the needs of the citizens. The CDBG funds that Altha received for the reconstruction of the community center are extremely beneficial but with the ever escalating inflation of construction costs and the restrictions of how CDBG funds can be used, supplemental funding is absolutely critical to provide Altha with a quality community center.

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



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These funds will help with the enhancement of the community center building when it is built with CDBG funds.

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

The Altha citizens do not currently have a community center. This will help provide them with a building to host school events, Boys and Girls Scouts, Voting Center, Council Meetings, Reunions, Weddings, Birthday parties, fundraisers, and a place to help coordinate disaster recovery efforts.

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

The target population is the Town of Altha, over 500 citizens and all other visitors that will use the community center.

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

The community center will allow the community to be united with events held to bring them closer together and interact with one another.

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?

The Auditor General audits for both the Town and State agencies. If the project is not completed within the requirements outlined in the grant award, the funding may be withdrawn.

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):

CDBG funding was received to contribute towards the total project cost.

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



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