



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2750

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

4. Project/Program Description

The project funds the construction of a YMCA facility at Lake Meade Park in Cape Coral, FL, providing recreational facilities, community programs, and health services. It will enhance wellness, youth development, and social engagement for residents of all ages.

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	6,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	6,000,000

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)	6,000,000	15%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	18,000,000	45%
Other	16,000,000	40%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	40,000,000	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

10. Status of Construction



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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?

1/1/2027

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2029

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

Ongoing operations and maintenance will be funded through YMCA membership fees, program revenue, local government support, private donations, and grants. These funding sources will ensure the long-term sustainability of the facility and its community programs.

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 City of Cape Coral owns the land at Lake Meade Park, where the YMCA facility will be constructed. The YMCA of Southwest Florida, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, will receive the fixed capital outlay funding and operate the facility under an agreement with the City to provide community programs and services.

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	Funds will be allocated for the design, planning, and construction of a YMCA facility in Cape Coral, FL. This includes site preparation, architectural design, engineering services, permitting, and construction of recreational facilities, community spaces, and related infrastructure.	6,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		6,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

Funds will facilitate the construction of a YMCA facility within Lake Meade Park in Cape Coral, FL. The facility will provide public-use recreational facilities and community-based services. This initiative aims to enhance community engagement, promote health and wellness, and expand access to recreational and social programs.



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

The YMCA facility at Lake Meade Park will offer fitness programs, youth sports, aquatics, wellness initiatives, childcare, after-school programs, and senior activities. It will also serve as a hub for health, education, and social services, promoting community engagement and well-being.

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

The funding will support fitness programs, youth sports, aquatics, wellness initiatives, childcare, after-school programs, and senior activities at the YMCA facility in Lake Meade Park. Citizens will have access to recreational facilities, health education, and social services, fostering physical well-being, youth development, and community engagement in a safe and inclusive environment.

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

The target population includes economically disadvantaged individuals, at-risk youth, elderly persons, preschool to college students, and the general public in Cape Coral and surrounding areas. The project is expected to serve over 5,000 individuals, providing access to recreational, educational, and wellness programs.

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

The project will enhance education, economic self-sufficiency, health, and tourism by providing after-school programs, workforce training, and wellness initiatives. Outcomes will be measured through participation rates, academic progress, job placement, fitness assessments, and tourism impact tracking.

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 percentage of state funds until deliverables or performance measures are met.

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#:

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

b. Firm Name



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c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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