



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2819

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Due to the City of Sweetwater's recent growth, the city and its police department need to update an array of its police equipment to accommodate and mitigate the effects of an influx of additional residents, drivers, visitors which inevitably results in more crime. Therefore, the City is requesting funds to upgrade its police technology and acquire a closed-circuit camera and license plate reader system. This new technology will assist in enhancing crime prevention measures in the city.

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	850,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	850,000

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)	850,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	850,000	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	Acquisition of closed-circuit cameras that will cover 34 intersections in the city, 360-camera license plate readers and a 5-year internet, maintenance and repairs package.	850,000
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)		850,000

13. Program Performance

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

The requested funds will enable the city to enhance its policing capabilities by updating key equipment, including a new closed-caption camera system and license plate reader system. These upgrades will improve crime prevention, investigation, and analysis by providing real-time integration with the Department's existing systems. Additionally, they will support intelligence sharing with neighboring agencies and enhance situational awareness.

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



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This is a public safety initiative that will greatly improve the City of Sweetwater's Police Department's communications and coordinated response efforts of the department's resources and further strengthen the city's law enforcement response to its growing population and increasing public safety needs.

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

Improved delivery of public safety via faster response times, and crime deterrence as a result of smart/predictive technological aids.

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

The City of Sweetwater is a minority-enriched community that is 95% Hispanic, with approximately 25,000 residents in total.

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

Reduced crime augmented patrolling capacity and police presence, more collaborative efforts with other agencies.

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?

Revocation of funding and return of funds to the state.

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):

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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