



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2834

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The purpose of the proposed project is to implement the final stage of the Gadsden County Emergency Operations Center and Public Safety Complex Project to include the Emergency Operations Center, E911 Office, 911 Communications Center and Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement and Administrative offices. The requested amount to complete this project is \$5 Million. Due to the increase in building cost, the proposed funds are needed to complete construction of the project.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	5,000,000

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)	5,000,000	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	5,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? Yes

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2024-25	0	3,505,251	2725	No

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? No

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? 11/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 11/01/2027

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

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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.

Gadsden County BOCC is the owner and 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		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Continuation of construction of Gadsden County's Emergency Operations Center and Public Safety Complex.	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

Funds will be used for continuation of construction of Gadsden County's Emergency Operations Center and Public Safety Complex. The facility will provide the necessary functional space for co-location of county emergency and disaster preparedness, response, and recovery activities, and services, including accommodating all county agencies and public and private partners for pre and post event meetings and coordination efforts. Gadsden County is in desperate need of a new EOC and multi-purpose facility to co-locate emergency response and disaster services. Currently the Sheriff's Office and EOG are housed in a 70+ year old building that does not meet hurricane building codes. The facility is also too small to accommodate meetings with representatives and support staff of all agencies needed during an emergency.

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



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The provision of disaster and emergency related activities and services that are normally associated with and provided by EOCs across the nation and those unique to Gadsden County. It will also provide a dedicated, unified EOC Command Center, E911 Office, 911 Communication Center and law enforcement for all disaster and emergency planning, response and recovery activities for Gadsden County. Emergency and disaster planning, recovery and response activities will be coordinated and implemented under one roof. This will ensure that all emergency and disaster related services, activities, communication and information needs are conducted in a cohesive and timely manner to all citizens, visitors, businesses and partners.

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

All emergency and disaster planning, recovery, and response activities will be coordinated and implemented under one roof to include those of law enforcement, fire/EMS, and emergency management. This will ensure that emergency and disaster related services, activities, communication, and information needs are conducted in a cohesive and timely manner to citizens, visitors, businesses, and partners.

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

All demographic groups will benefit from this project. More than 45,000 individuals are expected to be served.

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

The construction of a new EOC and public safety complex provides a multi-purpose facility which consolidates staffing to provide the provision of necessary and essential emergency and disaster services and activities (i.e., planning, response and recovery) to Gadsden County residents, businesses, visitors and public and private partners. The County will continue to monitor the response time of calls for emergency services and develop other performance measures as appropriate to ensure the public safety and successful coordination with other government agencies during emergency and disaster events.

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?

Corrective action plan created, measured and implemented with a success timeline for the state to continue funding the project.

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#:



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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)

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number **Ext.**

19. Lobbyist Contact Information



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a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.