



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2930

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

4. Project/Program Description

The Jim and Heather Gills YMCA facility is a key community hub for the YMCA of Greater St. Petersburg in service delivery for the community. Legislative support this year will provide for critical infrastructure upgrades focused on remodeling this 24-year-old facility to provide for much needed classroom and outdoor spaces to deliver family and educational services to better serve 10,181 member families and 719 children in a safe, cohesive environment. Upgrades include much-needed classroom space to deliver family and educational services, a technology lab to better serve students using the facility after school and on weekends, HVAC upgrades to increase the facility’s indoor cooling capacity, and a multipurpose, lighted outdoor space to be used by children and families for fresh air, exercise and enjoyment year-round. The state’s one-time investment would constitute less than 10% of the project cost.

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	950,000
Total State Funds Requested	950,000

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)	950,000	10%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	8,811,126	90%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	9,761,126	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No
- 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? No
- a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.
- b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.
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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?

04/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2025

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

The Jim & Heather Gills YMCA is a currently operating YMCA facility which fully supports itself with membership, program revenue and philanthropic dollars. The YMCA anticipates that these operational revenues will increase as a result of redevelopment.

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 facility is owned and operated by the YMCA of Greater St. Petersburg, Inc. - a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, which will receive the funds.

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	Facility improvements including classroom space, technology lab, HVAC upgrades and multipurpose outdoor field space.	950,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		950,000

13. Program Performance

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



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

Facility upgrades will include much-needed classroom space to deliver family and educational services, a technology lab to better serve students using the facility after school and on weekends, HVAC upgrades to increase the facility's indoor cooling capacity, and a multipurpose, lighted outdoor space to be used by children and families for fresh air, exercise and enjoyment year-round.

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

The Gills YMCA provides school childcare, teen programs, youth leadership development programs, senior programming, and Community Health Programs focused on providing evidence-based support to individuals with specific health needs, including cancer recovery, diabetes prevention, Parkinson's Disease, etc.

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

10,181 families are enrolled as members of the Gills YMCA which serves over 20,000 individuals annually throughout southern Pinellas with two wellness facilities, three resource centers, three preschools, and 24 before and after school childcare locations to include three middle school academic enrichment academies. Low income and underserved residents are able to take advantage of free programming offered at this facility. The YMCA has financial assistance available based on need, and no one is turned away for the inability to pay regardless of race, religion, income or ability.

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

This project will provide improved infrastructure that will enhance the YMCA's program delivery. The new technology lab and outdoor field will attract new members and provide unique opportunities for youth development. Outcomes will be measured through membership enrollment, increased enrollment in programming offerings, and surveys of YMCA program users.

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?

Disbursed funds for deliverables not met will be returned 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



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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)

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

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