



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 2979

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

We respectfully request funding to commission a housing study that will analyze the need for housing units segmented by household income and aligned with the requirements of our local workforce and retired seniors. This study will serve as the foundation for developing sustainable and targeted housing policies, a clear and targeted strategy for the development of financially feasible housing to ensure Martin County remains a vibrant and economically resilient 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	85,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	85,000

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)	85,000	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	85,000	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	These funds will be used to assist Housings Solutions Council toward a part-time local project lead to implement and promote the study.	10,000
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	Inventory of all housing, the types of housing available, including ownership and rental housing, and the associated costs. Task #2: Identify existing demographic (population and housing) and economic data (jobs and wages) and provide the relationship to the current housing situation. Task #3 Municipal Profiles. Task #4 Affordable Housing Supply/Demand Analysis.	75,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		85,000

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?

Task #1: Inventory of all housing, the types of housing available, including ownership and rental housing, and the associated costs
 Task #2: Identify existing demographic (population and housing) and economic data (jobs and wages) and provide the relationship to the current housing situation.
 Task #3 Municipal Profiles
 Task #4 Affordable Housing Supply/Demand Analysis

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

The direct service will be the future stability for the underrepresented members of our community who are necessary to the health of our community and our economy. The results of this study will guide future policy recommendations and inform decisions on developing financially feasible housing initiatives to meet the specific needs of the workforce and senior populations in the area. By understanding these needs, the project will help ensure that housing solutions are tailored to support the well-being of these key community members.

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

Members of our local workforce in the moderate to low household income levels and retired seniors. The goal of the study is to learn the number of units that we need available in our county for the number of households/individuals in our workforce at targeted household income levels for those households/individuals physically working in our county and our retirees. When this housing is created/made possible low-to-moderate households will become self-sufficient again.

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

Local wage earners and retired seniors that physically work in Martin County will regain housing stability. Homelessness will be decreased.
 Local businesses, including our essential services organizations will again be able to recruit and retain top talent. Our local economy will improve. The physical and mental health of our county will improve. Families and seniors will thrive again. This will be measured by the decrease in the number of seniors and wage earners experiencing homelessness for the first time in their lives. Organizations assisting members of our workforce and our seniors will report a decline in the need for housing and shelter. Businesses will report less turnover. Traffic in and out of our county will decrease. Policies will be created based on facts, these will in turn support a healthier community and an overall healthier and thriving economy.

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 funds if recipient fails to meet deliverables.

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):



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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
- 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)



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- 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

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