



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3050

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

The expansion of the current Youth Programs & meals for the elders that are provided by the churches that are part of the Coconut Grove Ministerial Alliance or associated with a ministry alliance in South Dade. The youth programs being supported will foster safe environments, along with healthy, educational & wholesome activities for the youth. Parents will have security & peace of mind concerning the well-being of their children while they are working. Job readiness training & job placement services will be strengthened to increased the workforce, help with economic development, which will strengthen the economic spending power of local communities. Meal programs will be able to increase the number of elderly residents that are provided with meals.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	600,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	600,000

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)	600,000	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	600,000	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)?

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	Used to pay for the employees (and potential increase in employees) that will be working in all three programs: the after-school childcare/summer programming & events for youth, and the meals for vulnerable seniors, and the job readiness & job placement programs. This will be executed through the association/alliance member churches.	175,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Funds will be used for the following: the supplies and programming that will be needed and used for after school/summer youth programs & activities; food/meal items to be delivered to vulnerable seniors; workforce training for job placement program.	425,000
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)		600,000

13. Program Performance

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



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The expansion of the current youth programs, & meals for the elders, & the workforce training & placement that are provided by Churches that are part of the Coconut Grove Ministerial Alliance or associated with a ministry alliance in South Dade . These youth programs will help create communities in which the youth is kept in a safe environment where parents are able to complete their work days without worry for the welfare/safety of their children. The meals for the elders portion of the program will increase our ability to feed & service our most vulnerable elders.

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

There will be an increase of services provided to our community through increased access to youth programs at no cost. Moreover, the workforce readiness & placement services will be provided at no cost. There will also be an increase in services for vulnerable elders who will have food security through the various meal programs.

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

Increase access to Youth Programs within the community and increased access to food security for vulnerable seniors through the increased delivery of meals to more of those seniors who are in need in our community. The direct services being provided will be the youth being able to access the various programs at no cost, the interested prospects being able to obtain job readiness training & job placement, and the seniors being able to receive meals at no cost to the recipients.

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

The target population for youth programs will be youth between the ages of 5 through 18. The target population for the workforce training and placement program will be people between the ages of 16 to 65. The target population for the meal programs will be senior citizens/elders of the community ages 65 and up. Collectively, this will target the community's elders, homeless, at-risk youths, high school students, persons with poor mental and physical health, returning citizens, economically disadvantaged persons, & the developmentally and physically disabled. Overall we anticipate about 500 individuals to be served through the various programs.

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

The expected benefits & outcome of the aforementioned projects and programs are: 1) providing the youth with safe & healthy activity alternatives, 2) the fostering of a more healthy environment for youth, family, & seniors, 3) improvement of the economic base for the community due to more people getting jobs, 4) economic stability for the person who obtain employment, 5) less crime in the community due to economic opportunities, 6) reduction of food insecurity amongst the elderly.

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?

The penalties provided in the contract are adequate at this time.

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



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- 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)
- Local Entity
- University or College



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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.