



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3101

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

4. Project/Program Description

The City of Bartow requests funds to replace a 21-year-old front-line fire rescue truck, which has exceeded its useful life. The repairs to keep this critical fire fighting equipment operational are proving to be difficult as parts are not readily available, the truck is not reliable and is out of service for long periods of time. A new fire rescue truck carries tools and equipment needed for forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul and lighting and utility control. Bartow serves as Polk County's Capital Seat and continues to experience growth. It's essential to have reliable equipment to protect, save lives and property, to meet the needs of the community and the Insurance Services Office (ISO). The ISO 5 rating would be maintained.

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	1,050,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	1,050,000

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)	1,050,000	72%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	400,000	28%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026	1,450,000	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.



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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	n/a	0
Other Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Purchase first out fire rescue truck through the City's procurement process	1,050,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,050,000

13. Program Performance

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

Purchase new fire rescue truck in order to provide reliable and consistent fire rescue services as is the responsibility of the City of Bartow (City) which serves as Polk County's Capital City. Current first out engine is 21 years old and has exceeded its useful life and is no longer reliable. The ISO 5 rating would be maintained.

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



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To purchase a new fire rescue truck through the City's procurement policies and procedures. Services provided with a new fire rescue truck provides for first responders to address the increasing demand and to have reliable fire rescue tools and equipment necessary to conduct forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul, lighting and utility control situations in order to efficiently and effectively save lives, protect properties include state, regional and Federal government buildings and the environment.

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

Direct services to citizens is having reliable, fire fighting rescue equipment to save and protect the lives of first responders, citizenry, businesses, schools, State/Federal/local government buildings and properties in this vastly growing community. Respond more effectively to fires, accidents and other incidents where there are risks to life and property with reliable front line fire rescue truck to address increasing demand that has appropriate tools and equipment necessary to conduct forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul, lighting and utility control situations. Meet the general criteria of NFPA1901 Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus; The ISO 5 rating would be maintained.

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

The target population is the City of Bartow, which serves as Polk County's Capital City, citizenry, visitors and travelers, Regional, Federal and State government offices, agencies, properties and buildings, which are tax exempt creating a reduction of revenue that is needed to adequately serve its citizenry and surrounding communities. It is estimated more than 100,000 individuals are expected to be served. The ISO 5 rating would be maintained.

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

Expected benefit is the purchase, delivery and operation of reliable fire rescue front line truck that is essential for the protection of the general public, first responders, life, property and the environment. The new fire rescue life saving truck provides first responders reliable equipment to address the increasing demand and to have the appropriate tools and equipment necessary to conduct forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul, lighting and utility control situations. The ISO 5 rating would be maintained. Measure is efficient and effective response to emergencies, less expenses for maintenance and fuel costs, saving of lives, health and property including regional, State and Federal buildings, as Bartow serves as Polk County's Capital City. The ISO 5 rating would be maintained.

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?

Contractual milestones established throughout project, implementation of corrective action plan, non-payment of invoices until milestones completed.

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
- 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.