



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3105

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Revert and re-appropriate Line 2479A – FY23-24/FY24-25 Budget - \$1,000,000 to the FY25-26 budget. The fire rescue ladder truck is ordered and is to be built by Dec 2026, which will replace a 21-year-old front-line fire rescue ladder truck that has exceeded its useful life. Fire rescue ladder trucks provide aerial height needed to address the increasing inventory of multi-story buildings & carries tools/equipment needed for forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul & lighting & utility control. Bartow serves as Polk County's Capital City which is rapidly growing and must have reliable equipment to protect, save lives, property and the environment.

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

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)	1,000,000	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	1,000,000	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		
2023-24	0	1,000,000	2479A	No

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	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Funds need to be reverted and re-appropriated from Line 2479A FY2023-2024/FY2024-2025 State budget to FY2025-2026 Budget for fire rescue ladder truck that has been ordered and in timeline to be built Dec. 2026.	1,000,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

13. Program Performance

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



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Revert & re-appropriate Line 2479A -FY23-24/FY24-25 budget - \$1,000,000 to the FY25-26 budget for a fire rescue ladder truck that has been ordered, built in Dec. 2026, which will replace a 21-year-old front-line fire rescue ladder truck that has exceeded its useful life. Bartow serves as Polk County's Capital City and continues to experience growth and needs reliable equipment to protect, save lives, property, the environment and meet the needs of this rapidly growing community.

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

The funds will be used to pay for the fire rescue ladder that has been ordered, which is taking three years to receive, and why it is necessary to revert and reappropriate Line 2479A -FY23-24/FY24-25 budget - \$1,000,000 to the FY25-26 budget.

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

Reverting and re-appropriating Line Item 2479A in FY23-24/FY24-25 funds to the FY25-26 State budget allows the City of Bartow's purchase order to be completed and the ladder truck delivered when built in Dec. 2026. Reliable fire fighting rescue equipment is needed to save, protect the lives of first responders, citizenry, businesses, schools, State and Federal buildings & properties, and the environment in this vastly growing community. New reliable equipment allows for improved response to effectively fight fires, cover accidents and other incidents where there are risks to life/property/environment with a fire rescue ladder truck that provides for the height of the aerial ladder to address the increasing inventory of building heights that has the tools and equipment necessary to conduct forcible entry, ventilation, salvage, overhaul, lighting and utility control situations.

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 for Regional, Federal and State offices, agencies, properties and buildings, which are tax exempt that creates a reduction of revenue, which is needed to adequately serve its citizenry; and surrounding communities - Clear Springs Developments and the Polk State College Advanced Technology Center Campus. More than 20,000 individuals 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?

Outcome is for funds awarded on Line Item 2479A in FY23-24/FY24-25 be reverted and appropriated to FY25-26 State budget in order to receive delivery of the fire rescue ladder truck as ordered. Benefit is operation of reliable fire rescue lifesaving ladder truck that is essential to the protection of the general public, first responders, life, health, property including State and Federal buildings and the environment. Measure is efficient and effective response to emergencies, less expenses for maintenance and fuel costs.

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?

Non-payment of fire rescue ladder truck until built and delivered.

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.