



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3260

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

Funds needed to complete a wastewater master plan in order to protect critical assets, analyze growth patterns, consumption trends & technologies & valuable data to be ready to serve current & future generations. Current WWTP is vulnerable to flooding & has been compromised in several storms events. Bartow serves as Polk County's city seat and is responsible for wastewater services to State/Federal/local governments, 21,000 City users and 7,500 users outside of the city.

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	750,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>750,000</b>

**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)	750,000	83%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	150,000	17%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>900,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
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	Contractual consultant services to provide a wastewater master plan to protect current critical assets and to plan for the growing population and future demands.	750,000
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>750,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

Goal is to update the 25 year old wastewater master plan to provide the framework for future City decisions to assess and intelligently respond to current and future usage/demands, economic conditions, regulatory compliance, for long-term planning and investments in order to properly serve and provide wastewater utility services for existing service area and potential new users as new developments continues to locate to this area.

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



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To seek contractual services to update the 25-year old wastewater master plan through the City's procurement policies and procedures in order to properly provide for adequate, efficient and effective wastewater management services to all users, including State/Federal/local government properties, residential/commercial properties.

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

Citizens are served with improved regional wastewater management services by having an updated wastewater master plan that serves as a tool for City decision makers in addressing critical wastewater services for all existing and future users that includes Polk County Central Regional Service Area, Town of Eagle Lake, and the City of Bartow.

**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 the City seat for Polk County and for Regional, Federal and State 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.

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

Expect outcome is completion of wastewater master plan and acceptance by the City.

**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
- 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)?**



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- 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):**

### Please complete questions 17 through 21 for Water Projects only.

**17. Have you been awarded or applied for alternative state funding for this project?**

- Water Quality Improvement Grant Program
- Resilient Florida Grant Program
- Wastewater Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify, ex. Alternative Water Supply Grants)
- N/A
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- N/A

#### 18. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A
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- N/A

**19. What is the status of construction?**

Not ready.

**20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?**

0%

**21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?** 12/31/2027

**22. Requester Contact Information**

**a. First Name** Mike **Last Name** Herr

**b. Organization** City of Bartow

**c. E-mail Address** mherr@cityofbartow.net

**d. Phone Number** (863)534-0100 **Ext.**

**23. Recipient Contact Information**

**a. Organization** City of Bartow

**b. Municipality and County** Polk

**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** Mike **Last Name** Herr

**e. E-mail Address** mherr@cityofbartow.net

**f. Phone Number** (863)534-0100 **Ext.**

**24. Lobbyist Contact Information**

**a. Name** Connie Vanassche

**b. Firm Name** CAS Governmental Services LLC



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c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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