



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3284

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Phase 2 of a two-lane roadway to connect the southern Pasco Research employment hub, a school and the northern employment center. The project will enhance transportation access, reduce congestion, and increase transportation efficiency. The project will offer direct job opportunities across several sectors, from suppliers to contractors.

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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	9,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>9,000,000</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)	9,000,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2025-2026</b>	<b>9,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?  Yes

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2024-25	0	5,130,133	2069A	No

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.

**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)?** No

**c. What is the estimated start date of construction?** 12/01/2026

**d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?** 12/01/2027

**e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?**

Pasco County

**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.**

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**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		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Phase 2 of construction of a 2-lane road connecting the southern Pasco Research employment hub with the northern employment center.	9,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>9,000,000</b>

**13. Program Performance**

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

Phase 2 of a two-lane roadway to connect the southern Pasco Research employment hub, a school and the northern employment center.

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

The funds will be used for designing and building a new roadway. This initiative will improve transportation, making it easier for residents and visitors in the Tampa Bay Region to reach healthcare facilities, schools, and recreational areas.

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



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The requested funding will support the construction of a two-lane road with a bridge, connecting Pasco County Research Park to a school and major roads, Sunlake Blvd and Ridge Road. This project will boost local economic growth, improve safety with modern infrastructure, and enhance community development by reducing congestion and providing efficient travel routes for businesses and residents.

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

General population; Estimated to serve >800 people.

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

The project is expected to improve transportation by enhancing transportation access to key employment centers and school hubs. Success will be measured through reduced travel times, lightening of traffic congestion, and increased accessibility and engagement with employment centers, schools, and the Pasco Research Park. The project is also expected to create specific immediate job opportunities for contractors, engineers, environmental sector workers, and consultants. It will also increase job opportunities for contractors, suppliers, service providers, and other professionals that will positively support the local 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?**

Reversion of funds.

**14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?**

**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)?**

- Yes, Applied



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- Yes, Received
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**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**

**e. E-mail Address**

**f. Phone Number**  **Ext.**

**19. Lobbyist Contact Information**

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**



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