



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3364

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The existing carpets in both campuses have exceeded their normal life cycle and have been damaged by water intrusion during recent storm events. Additionally, both campuses were outfitted with carpet in infrastructural spaces. This practice has fallen out of favor due to serious concerns of mold, mildew and toxins being trapped in the carpet. All carpet would be replaced with nonporous flooring materials (vinyl planks/tiles).

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	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	612,225
Total State Funds Requested	612,225

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)	612,225	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	612,225	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.

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)? Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction? 07/01/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction? 05/01/2026

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.

Dixie District Schools

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		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Removal of existing carpet flooring, preparing of surface and replacement with vinyl flooring.	612,225
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		612,225

13. Program Performance

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

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

In addition to the approximate 900 students that attend both schools each day, the facilities are both a community hub. The Cafeteria and Media Center are used by local organizations for community events and meetings and classrooms are used for small community meeting spaces.



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

Enhanced and safer educational spaces for the students at both schools. The same benefits are available to the community if they use the spaces.

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

Elderly persons, physically disabled, preschool students, grade school students. Expected to help >800 people.

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

Improve physical health, mental health, and quality of education. Students and staff will no longer deal with old and water damaged carpeting and associated indoor air quality issues. The National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments is the method for measuring the level of benefit year over year.

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?

If the work is not completed on schedule, the performing contractor would be assessed liquidated damages. These damages would be calculated as the cost, per day, for disruption to educational activities and the cost, per day, for any temporary relocation of students and/or staff.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? No Yes

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):

Hurricanes Helene, Milton, Debby, and Idalia

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
- Yes, Received



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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**

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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