



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3496

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

El Tabernaculo Pentecostal, Inc. supports the Orlando community by providing free food and assistance to institutions such as jails, battered women's homes, senior centers, and hospitals. Their mission is to alleviate food insecurity and provide emotional and spiritual support, focusing on vulnerable people, especially the elderly, families, and children, in order to generate a positive and lasting impact in the communities most in need.

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	350,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	350,000

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)	350,000	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	350,000	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.**

Right now we do not have a direct fund for operating costs. We use donations from people or any other help that we can get.



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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	The Executive Director is responsible for leading and managing the organization, ensuring that strategic and operational objectives are met. He or she is responsible for defining the vision, overseeing operations, controlling finances, representing the organization, and leading teams, all while ensuring compliance with regulations and responsible practices.	15,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Bookkeeper: Responsible for recording daily financial transactions from bank statements to the Accounting software; preparing in house / preliminary financial statements for review by Executive Director and outside CPA. Review expenses and ensure that they are authorized according to the approved budget. Provide financial reports.	24,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Office supplies, technology and equipment, office rental, utilities (water, electricity, internet), maintenance and cleaning, transportation, fuel, insurance, advertising, marketing, food supplies and professional services. Sound equipment for outdoor events in communities.	40,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Secretary: Administrative management (agenda, files, documents), customer service and communication (calls, visits, emails), accounting support (invoices, petty cash), event and travel organization, and management assistance.	15,000
Operational Costs		
Salary and Benefits	Professional services: family therapy to manage stress, anxiety, and mental health issues in children and adolescents, as well as recreational activities. The Senior Pastor and Assistant Pastors will provide these services through various means, including basic necessity assistance (donations for rent, clothing, transportation, furniture, and household goods). The pastors also provide spiritual growth studies by providing spiritual reading material in these counseling sessions.	115,200



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Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Purchase of 53-foot refrigerated truck (\$20,000), forklift (\$8,500), Electric pallet trucks (\$3,500). Cost of truck repairs to transport food, insurance, storage, maintenance, fuel and marketing (\$60,000), 2 Industrial Freezer (\$6,000), 2 Industrial Refrigerators (\$4,000), Trailers (\$8,800)	110,800
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	2 Drivers: Job Description: Drive our truck to pick up purchased food. Oversee distribution of food and other donated items, enforce safety protocols; supervise volunteer staff; monitor inventory.	30,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		350,000

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?

The funds will provide monthly food, clothing, and hygiene supplies, along with limited financial assistance for emergencies. Counseling, support groups, and mental wellness workshops will be offered, as well as spiritual guidance and community events. Impact: Improved food security, emotional well-being, and stronger community bonds for the families served.

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

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

The mission is to alleviate food insecurity by focusing on vulnerable people, especially the elderly, families and children. 200 - 500 People and families.

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

Alleviate food insecurity and provide emotional and spiritual support, focusing on vulnerable people, especially the elderly, families, and children, in order to generate a positive and lasting impact in the communities most in need.

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?

El Tabernaculo Pentecostal will ensure that appropriate measures are taken to meet all performance requirements by which the funding is administered and will adhere to any corrective action that is needed or the return of funding. Quarterly reports are generated and reviewed to ensure we are meeting the goals of the project.

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)



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- 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
- 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



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- 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

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.