



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2160

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This funding request would allow for the construction of a state-of-the-art facility as well as the acquisition of the necessary equipment and services to meet the mental, physical, and emotional wellness needs of the deputies at the Pasco Sheriff's Office. This would include physical conditioning equipment, space for mental health services and peer support related activities, information technology to assist with the objectives of the center, and other related equipment and services. With this center, we would take major steps to preserve the continued health and wellbeing of all of our members. In today's society, where we ask so much of our law enforcement officers, it is paramount that we continue to do everything in our power to give back to the wellbeing of those very same officers.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	3,300,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,300,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	3,300,000	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 2024-2025	3,300,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future 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.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?



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No

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. 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?

12. 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.

As the Pasco Sheriff's Office is a local law enforcement agency, ownership of the center would ultimately reside with the local governing Board of County Commissioners. In this case, it would be Pasco County Government.

13. 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: Other		
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	This request entails the construction of a state-of-the-art facility as well as the acquisition of the necessary equipment and services to meet the mental, physical, and emotional health wellness needs of the Pasco Sheriff's Office. With the rapid increase in population in Pasco County in recent years, and the corresponding marked increase in calls for service, the need for a fully equipped and centralized location for these resources has become clear.	3,300,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,300,000

14. Program Performance

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



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The funds requested will be utilized for the construction of a Mental, Physical, and Emotional Health Center (MPEHC), as well as the acquisition of the necessary equipment for all of the mental, physical, and emotional health wellness needs of the Pasco Sheriff's Office. As a result of the rapid increase in population and calls for service in Pasco County, the need for a centralized location to house these resources has become clear. With this center, we can take major steps to protect the continued health and wellbeing of all of our members.

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

With these funds, the Pasco Sheriff's Office will be able to fully provide the mental, physical, and emotional health and wellness needs for all of our deputies. These activities and services would include physical conditioning equipment and services, space for mental health services and peer support related activities, information technology to assist with the objectives of the center, and other related equipment and services.

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

As mentioned above, it is critical that we prioritize the mental, physical, and emotional health of our deputies to ensure their wellbeing in all aspects as they respond to calls for service for our citizens. Responding to the variety of calls for service that a law enforcement agency receives, some highly stressful or traumatic, can take a toll on the wellbeing of our deputies or lead to further trauma and health concerns if left unaddressed. By prioritizing the wellness of our deputies in this way, we can take major steps to ensure that our response to all calls for service continue to remain effective, efficient, and appropriate for all of the citizens of Pasco County.

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

The target population served by this project would be both the law enforcement officers of the Pasco Sheriff's Office as well as the citizenry of Pasco County as a whole. As a result of this funding, the Pasco Sheriff's Office will be able to better ensure the continued health and wellbeing of its deputies, which would in turn result in increased efficiencies, effectiveness, and quality of response for the citizenry of Pasco County during calls for service.

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

As a result of the funds requested for this project, the expectation is that Pasco residents would benefit from the continued focus and care provided for the mental, physical, and emotional wellbeing of the law enforcement officers of the Pasco Sheriff's Office. Regardless of the situation, Florida law enforcement officers must be ready and willing to defend the life, liberty, and property of the citizens of the State of Florida. Therefore, it is incumbent upon law enforcement agencies, to ensure that each and everyone one of our law enforcement officers remain ready willing and able. This can be measured through general increases to mental, physical, and emotional health preparedness among deputies.

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 the contract?

Failure to utilize the funds in the method outlined in this request would result in return of funds to the state.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. 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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number