



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2622

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

This project's purpose is to construct a new +/- 7,000 square feet hardened shelter/ multi-purpose building and enclose the existing +/- 200 feet x 300 feet Hurricane Staging arena. It also includes a stormwater retention area. During Hurricane Idalia, there was a lack of space for the deployed, outside emergency personnel, who inundated the nearby county emergency operations center. This caused issues with meeting and coordinating efforts during this declared emergency. The new structures will provide space for outside emergency personnel, who are activated during disasters, to convene. The new structures will be built to enhance resiliency against damage from hurricanes and other severe storms. The covered arena will also give the county much more opportunity to host rodeo and many more outdoor events for the community and surrounding counties.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?  No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	21,384,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>21,384,000</b>

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)	21,384,000	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 2024-2025</b>	<b>21,384,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?  Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	0		No

9. Is future 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.

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



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Yes

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

CARES \$2,355,759.40  
Emergency Services Protection  
Emergency Services Payroll

## 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.

### 13. 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: Other</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	Engineering (Design), Engineering (Construction), Permitting, Geotechnical investigation, and Surveying as well as the construction of a new +/- 7,000 square feet hardened shelter/ multi-purpose building, and enclose the existing +/- 200 feet x 300 feet Hurricane Staging arena. It also includes a stormwater retention area.	21,384,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>21,384,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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



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The county was devastated by the most recent hurricane Idalia and as a result, the county required an ample amount of assistance from outside agencies. This project's purpose is to construct a new +/- 7,000 square feet hardened multi-purpose building, enclose the existing +/- 200 feet x 300 feet Hurricane Staging arena. and construct storm water retention area for the improvements. These improvements would give the county a location where resources could be staged after a catastrophic event such as hurricane Idalia.

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

After hurricane Idalia brought destruction throughout the county, numerous outside resources came to the aid of the county. The new buildings will provide space for outside emergency personnel, who are activated during disasters, to convene and help aid the citizens. The covered arena would also give the county much more opportunity to host rodeos and other outdoor events for the community and surrounding counties.

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

A dedicated staging location for outside resources who have donated needed necessities for citizens during a state of emergency such as hurricane Idalia. This location would also offer multiple community events for the citizens such as rodeos.

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

The target population for the hosting of events is the community of Dixie County and surrounding areas; Dixie County's population is +/- 17,000. The target population for the outside emergency personnel will vary depending on the length, severity and duration of the emergency situation.

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

Currently, the rodeo arena is a wide-open space that is not protected against inclement weather, nor the hot summer sun. The benefit of the newly enclosed space is to provide protection for those participating and those watching the rodeo activities. The benefit of these structures during disasters is to provide needed space for emergency personnel to convene and plan the necessary activities to remedy the issues that the community incurs due to unforeseen circumstances.

**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?**

Standard contract penalties.

**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**

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)



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- 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**