



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1784

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

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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	2,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>2,000,000</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)	2,000,000	62%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	1,200,000	38%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>3,200,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.

Partial local funding may be available.

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

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



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Palm Beach County is the recipient of CARES US Treasury funds in the amount of \$261 million. Funding was spent entirely on emergency assistance, mortgage assistance, business grants, COVID-19 sheltering, testing and isolation, as well as on emergency personnel. Palm Beach County also received approximately \$290 million in American Rescue Plan Funding for pandemic-related service and infrastructure projects.

## 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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

3/1/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/1/2027

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.

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### 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	The project will widen and rehabilitate the bridge to add a continuous sidewalk on the south side bridge to improve pedestrian safety, will replace all bridge railings to meet current design and safety standards, and will repair and replace sonovoid slabs to extend the life of the bridge.	2,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>2,000,000</b>

### 14. 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 Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard Bridge over the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railway rehabilitation and widening project is approximately 0.3 miles in length, beginning west of North Sapodilla Avenue and extending east to North Dixie Highway, located entirely within the City of West Palm Beach. The project will widen and rehabilitate the bridge to add a continuous sidewalk on the south side of the bridge, will replace all bridge railings to meet current design and safety requirements.

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

Congestion heading into downtown West Palm Beach will be alleviated, allowing for continued economic development in the surrounding area. Improved traffic flow and pedestrian safety will be observed by citizens.

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

All visitors and residents of Palm Beach County who will be able to utilize the improved bridge.

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

The county anticipates a reduction in congestion on the bridge and reduced number of traffic accidents and incidents involving pedestrians on the bridge. Additionally, there should be an increase in economic activity and redevelopment in the surrounding area. New drainage inlets, pipes, exfiltration trenches, and other stormwater appurtenances will be constructed to collect and treat stormwater that currently drains through outdated scuppers on the bridge improving wastewater management. Data collected and analyzed will demonstrate the impact of this project.

**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?**

Corrective action plan, return of funding 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**

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity



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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**