



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2251

1. Project Title
2. Senate Sponsor
3. Date of Request

**4. Project/Program Description**

With the completion of the new Liberty County Sheriff's Office Administrative Complex and Jail expected to take place in the summer of 2025, the current jail could be renovated into a judicial complex. This complex would allow for all judicial partners including the County Judges Office, Clerk's Office, Circuit Felony Judge, Circuit Civil Judge, State Attorney, Public Defender, State Probation, and County Probation to be housed in one location directly adjacent to the courthouse.

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	5,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>5,000,000</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)	5,000,000	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>5,000,000</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.

**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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Liberty County was allocated \$1,457,708 as part of the CARES Act for State and Local Governments. Funds were used for PPE, sanitizing supplies, labor, equipment and other items. Liberty County was allocated \$1,622,677 as part of the American Rescue Plan. Funds are to be used for Covid-19 mitigation efforts, replacement of lost public sector revenue, premium pay for essential workers, and investments in water.

## 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?

06/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2026

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.

Liberty County Board of County Commissioners

### 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	Funds would provide for the design, engineering, construction, and furnishing of the complex.	5,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>5,000,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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

Currently, all the judicial partners including the County Judges Office, Clerk's Office, Circuit Judges Office, State Attorney, Public Defender, State Probation, and County Probation are scattered over two counties and five locations.

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



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The proposed judicial complex would be an ideal location for continuity of government and greatly enhance the accessibility for citizens to the judicial system.

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

Increased access of indigent persons to public defenders, support from victims advocates, and assistance from clerks offices for court filings.

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

Citizens of Liberty County

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

Reduced recidivism, reduced violation of probation, increased compliance with terms of probation, increased compliance with payments on court fees and fines.

**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?**

It is not anticipated that failing to meet deliverables or performance measures will occur, however, if such penalties are needed, withholding funding would be an appropriate measure.

**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

University or College

Other (please specify)

**d. First Name**  **Last Name**

**e. E-mail Address**

**f. Phone Number**



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#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name	<input type="text" value="None"/>
b. Firm Name	<input type="text"/>
c. E-mail Address	<input type="text"/>
d. Phone Number	<input type="text"/>