



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2684

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Northwest Regional Reclaimed Water Facility is an advanced wastewater treatment facility that serves more than 200,000 residents throughout Hillsborough County. The facility's staff currently work out of on-site trailers, which do not provide sufficient shelter and protection during severe weather events. This project will construct a 15,000-sq. ft. Category 5-hardened facility for critical personnel. The facility will also serve as a shelter during severe weather and an educational center.

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 | 8,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 8,000,000 |

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) | 8,000,000 | 70% |
| Matching Funds | | |
| Federal | 0 | 0% |
| State (excluding the amount of this request) | 0 | 0% |
| Local | 3,500,000 | 30% |
| Other | 0 | 0% |
| Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 | 11,500,000 | 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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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Hillsborough County received \$256.8 million in CARES Act dollars. The vast majority of the funds were distributed into the community for recovery and business assistance programs. To date, the county has received \$143 million of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). ARPA funding was utilized for community investment, infrastructure, and pandemic response.

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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

Oct 2023

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

Dec 2025

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 |
|--|--|------------------|
| 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 | Total funding sought will be used for the planning and construction of the North County Administration Building. | 8,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 8,000,000 |

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 funds will be used to bolster resiliency at one of the County Utility facilities. Through the improvement of resiliency at the facility, the County helps to ensure uninterrupted wastewater treatment service to its residents. Ensuring that the NW Regional Reclaimed Water Facility does not experience any disruption in service throughout severe weather events.

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

The North County Administration Hardening Project provides the safety and protection of wastewater operators at a facility that services more than 200,000 residents.eather events.

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

The North County Administration Hardening Project provides the safety and protection of wastewater operators at a facility that services more than 200,000 residents.

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

Housing the facility's staff within a secure, weather-proof structure will help to protect the public from environmental concerns raised when there is a disruption in wastewater service. Ensuring that wastewater treatment experiences 0 downtime during severe weather events. Providing for the safety and protection of wastewater operators at a facility that services more than 200,000 residents. Ensuring that the NW Regional Reclaimed Water Facility does not experience any disruption in service throughout severe weather events. This will provide for more effective wastewater management at the facility.

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?

Hillsborough County intends to be good stewards of public funding should this project receive an award. In the event that Hillsborough County fails to perform or meet deliverables, notice shall be provided to the agency and such governing agreement may be terminated by the agency effective as of the date of receipt of the default notice. As a result, any unused funds may be remitted to the agency.

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



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- 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**