



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2697

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Valrico Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility provides wastewater treatment service to more than 130,000 residents in East Hillsborough County. This project will construct solar panels to provide renewable energy to the facility, in addition to an adjacent hardened maintenance facility that serves as backup to the County's Emergency Operations Center. This will provide power to both facilities during all severe weather events.

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	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	5,000,000

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)	5,000,000	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	5,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

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?

Yes

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



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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?

TBD

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/30/2025

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 utilized for construction of the project. This project is at 100% design completion and is shovel-ready for construction to begin as soon as feasibly possible.	5,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		5,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

The Valrico Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility provides wastewater treatment service to more than 130,000 residents in East Hillsborough County. This project will construct solar panels to provide renewable energy to the facility, in addition to an adjacent hardened maintenance facility that serves as backup to the County's Emergency Operations Center. This will provide power to both facilities during all severe weather events.



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

Consistent power to wastewater treatment facility to ensure there are no wastewater spills that can harm the surrounding environment/wetlands.

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

Ensuring there is zero downtime at both wastewater treatment facility and nearby maintenance facility that serves as the continuity of operations plan for the County's Emergency Operations Center.

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

Energy resiliency to wastewater treatment facility that serves more than 130,000 residents and providing such service to residents during all weather, especially severe weather events

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

Consistent power to maintain operations at Valrico Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility to make sure that wastewater treatment is without interruption. Consistent run time at wastewater treatment facility to ensure there are 0 wastewater spills that can impact groundwater quality. Viewing runtimes at wastewater treatment 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
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)



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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

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify)
- N/A

19. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

20. What is the status of construction?

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?