



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3709

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Southwest Florida INTERCEPT Task Force by providing a unified and collaborative space for all 14 partnering law enforcement agencies. Our goal is to enhance efficiency and effectiveness in the fight against child exploitation and human trafficking by bringing everyone together under one roof. By establishing a centralized location, we create an environment that promotes seamless collaboration during critical operations such as search warrants, suppression events, and other key activities. This allows investigators from different agencies to work cohesively on cases, leveraging unique talents and abilities. Uniting INTERCEPT under one roof, transforms affiliation into an operational powerhouse. Equally important is ensuring that investigators have access to all the necessary resources at their fingertips. This comprehensive facility will provide them with the tools needed to prosecute cases to the fullest extent possible while prioritizing the safety and well-being of victims.

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	1,094,304
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	1,094,304

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)	1,094,304	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	1,094,304	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.



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3709

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.

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
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	1. Building Lease \$489,304 2. Elec., Water, Trash \$30k 3. Office furniture, cubicles, labor for install 25 TFO's /TFP's, (i.e. desks, chairs, file cabinets etc)- \$3k per office -\$75k 4. Desk space and furniture, plus install, for training/operational room- \$20k 5. Desk space, cubicles and furniture, plus install for digital forensics lab- \$20k 6. AV equipment for training room- \$20k 7. Office furniture and labor for install for NGO spaces and lobby downstairs- \$30k 8. Digital access key pads/system	1,094,304
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,094,304



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3709

14. Program Performance

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

By establishing a centralized location, we create an environment that promotes seamless collaboration during critical operations such as search warrants, suppression events, and other key activities. This allows investigators from different agencies to work cohesively on cases, leveraging their unique talents and abilities. The result is an outstanding team dedicated to combating these heinous crimes. Equally important is ensuring that investigators have access to all the necessary resources at their fingertips. This comprehensive facility will provide them with the tools they need to prosecute cases to the fullest extent possible while prioritizing the safety and well-being of victims. In addition, this location will serve as a platform for public education. We believe that raising awareness about the impact of these crimes on our community is crucial in preventing them. By providing information on prevention strategies, we empower individuals to actively contribute towards safeguards.

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

The location will serve as an educational resource for the public, raising awareness about child exploitation and human trafficking in their community. It aims to educate people that these crimes can happen to anyone, and provides information on what signs to watch out for. Additionally, it will be used as a training facility for law enforcement partners of the SWFL INTERCEPT task force, promoting collaboration and a unified approach. The location will also function as a meeting space for the executive board of the task force to discuss issues and problem-solving strategies during investigations. Together, through this collaborative space, we can create a stronger force against child exploitation and human trafficking while fostering a safer environment for all members of our community.

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

While the primary focus of the appropriation project is to create a unified front among law enforcement partners to combat child exploitation and human trafficking, there are several direct services that can be provided to citizens as well. Here are a few examples: 1. Establishing or partnering with existing victim NGO's to provide comprehensive services for survivors. This could include access to counseling, medical assistance, legal aid, and other resources necessary for their recovery. 2. Establishing programs that can empower individuals with knowledge on how they can contribute towards prevention efforts. 3. Give an opportunity to engage directly with law enforcement involved in combating child exploitation/human trafficking issues within their community. These direct services will not only help educate the public but also foster trust between law enforcement agencies and citizens while providing essential support systems for victims/survivors affected by these crimes.

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

The population of Collier County, Lee County and Hendry County, Glades County and Charlotte County. The population that will be served is based off the latest census information which is approximately 1,395,104 residents.

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

The expected benefit of this project is to create a centralized hub where all law enforcement partners can collaborate efficiently and effectively. By bringing together various agencies, the project aims to enhance coordination and communication, leading to a more unified approach. Additionally, the project seeks to provide a dedicated space for public education, raising awareness about ongoing efforts against these crimes and empowering the community to contribute. To measure the outcome of this project, we can employ a methodology that involves comparing statistics from each agency before and after their relocation into one location. This analysis will help assess any improvements in crime-solving rates, other relevant metrics. By implementing these measurement strategies accurately and consistently over time, we will be able to demonstrate the tangible impact of having all law enforcement partners working together under one roof on combating heinous crimes within our communities.

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?

Operation Light Shine would return any unused portion back to the state.

15. Requester Contact Information



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3709

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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name
b. Firm Name
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number