



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3712

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Significant increase in new housing and businesses in Hendry County has resulted in a 231% increase of calls for service by the Sheriff Office in the last 15 years. The housing expense in Collier and Lee County has resulted in over 1,000 new building permits between 6/2022 and 6/2023. Many of these new structures are without portable radio or cell phone coverage. Ten public schools, which are dual, purposed as disaster. Shelters along with a hospital do not have appropriate radio coverage.

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	7,860,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>7,860,000</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)	7,860,000	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>7,860,000</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?



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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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

3/25/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2025

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.

Hendry County Sheriffs Office

### 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	Annual maintenance of towers through the life of SLERS contract, which ends June 30, 2036.	1,720,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Engineering and construction services/costs association with the installation of the tower at Collins site and modifications to tower at the SFWMD site SA-N.	6,140,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>7,860,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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

The funds will ensure public safety communications are available to local and state first responders including all state law enforcement personnel to assure the protection of life and property.

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



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This equipment will improve response times and assist the Hendry County Sheriff in providing excellent services to residents.

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

The communications improvements will be benefit to all users of the SLERS radio system, which include law enforcement, fire and emergency medical services.

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

The residents of Hendry County. More than 40,000.

**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 is enhanced police communication. The success of the project will be measured by the improved response times and number of calls served by Hendry County.

**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?**

Forfeiture of funds.

**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**

**17. Lobbyist Contact Information**



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a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number