



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1776

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

These funds will be used for construction of the Biscayne-Everglades Greenway (BEG) Segment D, a 2.5-mile segment of the greenway between SW 117th Ave. and SW 137th Ave. along the Mowry Canal and SW 320th St. in southern Miami-Dade County, east of Homestead. The Biscayne-Everglades Greenway will be the first non-motorized trail in the country to connect two National Parks and would have an immediate impact to Homestead and the surrounding communities in southern Miami-Dade County.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted? Yes

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000

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)	1,000,000	17%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	1,521,849	27%
Local	3,153,151	56%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	5,675,000	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



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

Miami-Dade County received \$2,608,188,975.73 to provide financial aid to, among others, small businesses, veterans, senior meals, restaurants, hotel workers, first responders, landlords, low-income tenants, nonprofits, and day care centers; county services and also direct distributions to Miami-Dade municipalities.

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?

2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

2027

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.

The site is owned by Miami-Dade County.

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	These funds will be used for the construction of the BEG Segment D, a 2.5-mile segment of the greenway in southern Miami-Dade County, east of Homestead. The project includes construction of a new, 10'-wide asphalt multi-use trail along the Mowry Canal, SW 117 Ave., and SW 320 St., new dedicated bike lanes on SW 137 Ave., and safety improvements at intersections.	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

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?

These funds will contribute directly to the construction activities of the BEG, which when complete, will provide citizens with new access to two National Parks, as well as an alternative mode of transportation and opportunities for physical activity and outdoor recreation.

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

The BEG will provide citizens with facilities for active transportation, outdoor recreation, physical activity, and connection to other area trails. This project will be the first non-motorized trail in the country to connect two National Parks and would have an immediate economic impact to Homestead and other communities in southern Miami-Dade County.

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

The target populations served by this project include elderly persons, persons with poor physical health, jobless persons, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, physically disabled, grade school students, high school students, university/college students, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other non-motorized transportation users. The project will be easily accessible to the 127,000+ residents in the immediate vicinity of the Biscayne-Everglades Greenway (based on 2020 Census Tract data), as well as the thousands of people who take advantage of the county's other trails that will connect to the Biscayne-Everglades Greenway.

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

This project will improve physical and mental health (measured by Health Impact Assessment), benefit cultural experiences (measured by attendance/usage), improve environmental quality (measured by Heat Index), protect the general public from harm via pedestrian safety (measured by collision data), improve transportation conditions (measured by Traffic Impact Studies), increase economic activities (measured by RTC report), increase tourism (measured by pre- and post-build sales tax generated), create specific immediate job opportunities (measured by number of jobs the project generates).

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?

Nonpayment until deliverables are met.

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



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- 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