



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1888

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

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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	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	44%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	6,438,449	56%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	11,438,449	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.

Private funding.

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.



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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?

2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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.

The City of Miami will be the owner, and it is the County that is requesting the funds.

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	Construction of the 1st phase of the public park at MFP involves remediation of unsuitable soils, essential infrastructure, including solid pipe drainage, ex filtration trench drainage, catch basins, water and sewer systems, bike paths, sidewalks, a wellness loop, electrical installations, benches, landscaping, and diverse amenities.	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?

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



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The funding for crucial enhancements to Miami Freedom Park, a City of Miami-owned property, will drive substantial local economic growth, including a catalyst global innovation hub and world-class soccer facility. Phase 1 focuses on key elements: drainage, water/sewer systems, bike paths, sidewalks, wellness loop, electrical installations, benches, landscaping, and amenities.

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

This all-encompassing initiative aims to repurpose a former golf course with contaminated soil into a community asset by integrating essential infrastructure. As part of the broader benefit of Miami Freedom Park, it will not only foster recreation and economic growth but also function as a pivotal hub for global innovation in Miami and the home of Inter Miami Soccer Facility.

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

Elderly Persons, Persons with poor mental health, Persons with poor physical health, At-risk youth, Physically disabled, Grade school students, High school students, University/College students, General (The majority of funds will benefit no specific group. >800 expected target population to be served.

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

The overall Miami Freedom Park project will encompass the new Inter Miami Facility, a 58-acre green space, a new public administration building, entertainment facilities, retail, restaurants, and hotels, it evolves into a community asset, promoting recreation, economic growth, and global innovation in Miami. Utilization of park and completion of project.

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?

De-obligation 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)



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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?