



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2116

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Dixie County is requesting funding to design and construct a +/- 7,800 square foot emergency services maintenance facility. The building will include an adequate space for storage, office space, restrooms, breakroom and repair bays with lifts. The site will also include secured yard where non functioning vehicles and equipment can be stored as well as adequate parking area for employees and vehicles/equipment in queue to be worked on or picked up. . Upgraded equipment is also included in the requested funding to allow Dixie County to best serve their community.

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	3,378,500
Total State Funds Requested	3,378,500

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)	3,378,500	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	3,378,500	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	0		No

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.

The funds were used for the health and safety of the workers and emergency protective measures.

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?

03/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/30/2025

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.

Dixie County Board of County Commission.

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	This appropriation will fund the engineering design, permitting, and construction of a new +/- 7,800 SF maintenance facility, consisting of but not limited to storage areas, office space, repair bays, parking, fencing, and storm water retention area.	3,378,500
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,378,500

14. Program Performance

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



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Design and construction of a new +/-7,800 square foot maintenance facility for the Dixie County Emergency Services Department including office space, storage, repair bays, parking, fencing, and restrooms. The goal of this project is to promote a efficient and effective work environment for the Dixie County Emergency Department to best serve their community by reducing the down time on emergency vehicles and equipment from having a dedicated facility to get repairs and maintenance done.

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

Dixie County will ensure engagement of design professionals to create a layout that optimizes space allocation, traffic flow, and functionality, as well as compliance with building codes and safety regulations. Implemented storage areas for equipment, medical supplies, and maintenance tools, enhancing organization and accessibility. Construction of repair bays with appropriate ventilation, utility connections, and equipment to efficiently service and maintain emergency vehicles/equipment. Designated parking spaces for emergency vehicles, and staff to ensure ease of access and perimeter fencing to enhance security and restrict access to authorized personnel only.

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

Faster response times to medical emergencies throughout the county, potentially saving lives and minimizing the impact of critical health situations. Dedicated spaces for vehicle maintenance and repair will ensure that EMS vehicles are always in optimal working condition, reducing the chances of breakdowns during emergency responses and maintaining the reliability of the EMS fleet. The facility's secure parking area and fencing will protect EMS vehicles and equipment from unauthorized access and potential theft.

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

Dixie County's population of over 16,000 will benefit from this project. All citizens will benefit from the increase of safety this project will deliver to the community. The County is designated as a Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes).

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

Improved emergency response times, this can be measured by comparing the average response times before and after the facility's construction. Enhanced fleet reliability can be measured by tracking vehicle maintenance records before and after the facility's implementation. Efficient inventory management can be measured by comparing the speed and accuracy of resource allocation during emergency situations. Reduced stress will improve employees physical and mental health, this can be measured using the Perceived Stress Scale.

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?

Standard contract penalties.

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