



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2313

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

The completed project would significantly reduce detrimental expenditures by an economically disadvantaged sector of the population by replacing and rehabilitating critical portions of the currently aged and deteriorated wastewater collection and transmission system. Phase I has been completed; however, in order to see a full project come to fruition, the City of Webster (a REDI community) is seeking funding for Phase II (Construction) of this vital project. Project completion would provide the Johnson Subdivision a reliable and efficient wastewater collection system that would save the City of Webster and its residents considerable costs in continual repairs and maintenance. Additionally, there will be a reduction in excess nutrient loading from domestic wastewater into the surrounding environment caused by frequent back-ups and overflows of the damaged grinder pump system.

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	2,930,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,930,000

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)	2,930,000	98%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	50,000	2%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	2,980,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
>5 years	0	750,000	HB3373/LP60030	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.**
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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 City of Webster received \$576,482 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. The funds will be expended toward the purchase of property for the city's own wastewater plant.

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.

The City of Webster will be the owner and operating entity of the proposed gravity sewer system, which will serve residents of the City.

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	Phase II is already designed and permitted. Requested funds will be utilized for bidding, construction, and engineering services during construction. Construction will involve the installation of approximately 6,000 LF of gravity sewer, manholes, sewer services, sewer hookups, and associated restoration for low-income area currently served by a failing low pressure sewer system.	2,930,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,930,000

14. Program Performance

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



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The project will finish the grinder pump replacement project (a shovel-ready project) in Johnson's Subdivision (an economically disadvantaged sector of the population) and will supply safe and efficient wastewater service to the area. The project will also reduce nutrient loading and environmental impacts from domestic wastewater into the surrounding residential environment caused by back-ups and overflows of the existing inefficient and damaged grinder pumps. These improvements will support residential/commercial growth and economic vitality within the City and Sumter County.

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

A conventional gravity sewer system will be provided to essentially eliminate the operation and maintenance responsibilities of the low-income residents and will result in the elimination of raw sewage overflows on private property.

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

The completed project will provide fully functional sewer service through an improved wastewater collection and transmission system which will eliminate operation, maintenance, and repairs costs associated with a low pressure, deteriorated system. The new services will prevent system back-ups and sewage overflows, which create an environmental impact to the community.

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

The target population is the Johnson Subdivision, a low-income community. Approximately 250 individuals will be served by the completed project.

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

The expected outcome will be the elimination of the failing low pressure sewer system to the project area. As a result, the benefits include elimination of environmental impacts through back-ups and overflows and an increase in City savings through the decrease in operation and maintenance requirements currently expended on the failing sewer system.

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?

Liquidated damages in the amount of \$750 per day will be assessed in the event the contractor for the project does not meet the contractual completion date.

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



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- University or College
- Other (please specify) Municipality

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?



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