



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2498

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

4. Project/Program Description

The building is undergoing extensive improvements as part of a revitalization effort. This includes the installation of new windows, a more efficient AC units, and a modern walk-in cooler. Additionally, the establishment will be connecting to public sewers for greater convenience and cleanliness. The kitchen is being upgraded to enhance operational efficiency, while better lighting will improve overall visibility and ambiance. Furthermore, efforts are being made to enhance accessibility for all patrons, with specific attention given to increasing the current handicap accessibility and adding additional access points. These changes also aim to ensure ADA compliance for combat wounded veterans and individuals with limited mobility within our 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 | 35,000 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 25,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 60,000 |

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) | 60,000 | 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 | 60,000 | 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.

In order to offset the shortfall in state funding, we will implement a strategy that involves fundraisers and direct appeals for financial support.



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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.

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.

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 | Operational Costs to include but not limited to insurance, electric, hosting events for veterans and community. | 35,000 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation: | | |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering | 100% going to building revitalization to include but not limited to new windows, A/C Units, Energy Efficiency Upgrades, and ADA Compliance. | 25,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 60,000 |

14. Program Performance

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



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The requested funds will be allocated to achieve several key objectives for the building. Firstly, the aim is to ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), through the installation of ramps, and accessible restrooms. Additionally, an emphasis will be placed on enhancing energy efficiency by implementing sustainable heating and cooling systems, as well as upgrading insulation and windows.

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

In order to effectively utilize the allocated funds, a diverse range of activities and services will be undertaken. These efforts will primarily involve the engagement of certified general contractors who possess expertise in compliance and ADA regulations. These professionals will play a crucial role in overseeing all aspects of construction and renovation work, ensuring that all projects not only meet but exceed the necessary standards.

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

Our organization is committed to providing ongoing support and care for combat wounded veterans, their families, as well as the children and youth in our community. With enhanced facilities, we can offer a wider range of tailored support for our combat wounded veterans, their families and the youth of our community. Additionally, our improved space will provide a welcoming environment for all those that visit our facilities.

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

This project aims to provide support and resources for a target population consisting of US military veterans, their families, and local youth in the Seminole County area.

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

The primary objective of this project is to enhance the well-being and livelihoods of our esteemed veterans and their families. This will be achieved through a two-fold approach aimed at improving both the dietary experience and physical accessibility within our establishment. The method for assessing this result will involve measuring the rise in our organization's operational hours, enabling us to better support veterans, their families, and the broader community. By extending our service hours, we aim to provide enhanced accessibility and assistance to those who rely on our support.

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?

In addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures outlined in the contract, the contracting agency may propose two additional penalties: back charges and litigation. Back charges involve the deduction of costs from future payments as a result of unsatisfactory performance or non-compliance with contractual obligations. Litigation refers to the possibility of legal action being taken against the party responsible for failing to meet the agreed-upon terms.

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



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c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify) Non-Profit 501(c)-19

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