



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3330

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

In an effort to keep up with the unprecedented growth in the region, the City of Kissimmee seeks funding to construct the remaining two lanes of an important collector road within the city, Thacker Avenue. This is an important connection to one of the major arterial roads within the city, Osceola Parkway. In addition to increasing capacity by constructing two lanes, the project will add two signalized intersections, improve stormwater drainage, and add sidewalks to improve pedestrian connectivity in an area with two elementary schools, retail centers, and thousands of residential and multifamily units. This roadway is along the edge of the city limits and is significantly impacted by traffic from high-density development occurring in the abutting unincorporated area. Due to the current challenges associated with rising construction costs, the city is in need of additional funding to complete this \$7 million project. The city currently has \$6.5 million budgeted in its CIP.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	500,000
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

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)	500,000	7%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	6,500,000	93%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	7,000,000	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?



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

\$18 million ARPA -Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds - workforce housing, direct rental, mortgage and utility assistance for eviction prevention.

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 Kissimmee owns the right of way and utility easements in which the work will be performed.

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	Constructing two lanes, the project will add two signalized intersections, improve stormwater drainage, add crosswalks and add sidewalks.	500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

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?

Increasing roadway capacity and signalized intersections increase safety and improve traffic flow.

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

The city will construct and maintain the improvements to provide a long-term benefit to residents, businesses, and visitors.

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

More than 3,000 units of housing, commercial, and retail centers have been added in the unincorporated area abutting this project. All travelers accessing this important north/south collector road will benefit.

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

Standard traffic monitoring measures will document increased safety for vehicles and pedestrians.

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 penalties consistent with state guidelines are proposed.

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