



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1065

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Funding would provide for construction of a new SWAT training tower. A new tower will replace the existing wooden tower that was built by hand more than 30 years ago and has reached the end of its useful life. The new tower will allow the SWAT Team, and other local, state and federal first responders, to experience realistic training scenarios and techniques in rope rescue and maneuvers, train to act from elevated positions and handle issues in stairwells, all while increasing proficiency in their craft.

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	1,500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,500,000</b>

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)	1,500,000	62%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	900,000	38%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>2,400,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.

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.

\$350,000 for PPE; \$396,162 for Airport Operations; \$1,214,658 for housing; and \$22.7M from the ARPA for various projects, including \$17.8M for sewer pipe replacement.

## 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?

May 2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

February 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.

Lakeland Police Department owns the Lakeland Police Training Center.

### 13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Funds will be used to construct a new 4-story tower with built-in virtual training room.	1,500,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,500,000</b>

### 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?**

Training of active law enforcement personnel to address high risk and specialized tactical situations. Additionally, surrounding local, state and federal partners will utilize the tower for training. Activities will include repelling and tactical entries from elevated platforms.

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

A more professional and highly trained first responder that can better address active assailant situations.

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

Primarily local, state and federal tactical teams as well as regular sworn first responders that may need additional advanced or specialized training in elevated search and rescue. 100 to 200 annually will be served by this tower.

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

Through regular training of these advanced tactics members will become more proficient and gain confidence in their abilities. Lessons plans, hands on learning and evaluations of skills taught.

**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?**

Funding will be withheld by the State of Florida for the City of Lakeland.

**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)

**d. First Name**  **Last Name**

**e. E-mail Address**



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f. Phone Number

#### 17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number