



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2210

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Shady Grove Fire Rescue and Public Safety Facility project will be the construction of a hurricane rated, hardened, resilient two bay fire station with storage and living quarters. The building will be located on land owned by Taylor County (County). The facility will have sufficient parking for firefighters and emergency response personnel. The site will also serve as a disaster recovery staging area. The facility has an estimated cost of \$2M and the County was awarded a budget appropriation FY 23-24 in the amount of \$1M. As a rural, fiscally constrained County which suffered catastrophic loss from Hurricane Idalia, the County does not have the funding available to move forward with the project without additional funding assistance.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?  Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,000,000</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)	1,000,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. Has this project previously received state funding?  Yes

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	1,000,000		No

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.

As a rural, fiscally constrained County which suffered catastrophic loss from Hurricane Idalia, the County has no additional funding sources for the project. Taylor County is a designated RAO and REDI community.



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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

Yes

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

The County received \$3.7M which was used for public safety payroll costs and the purchase of PPE and associated supplies. The American Rescue Plan funds are designated for critically needed stormwater facilities.

## 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.

Taylor County Board of Commissioners will own, operate, and maintain the facility. The County will be providing the land the facility will be located on.

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	All funding will be used for the construction of the Shady Grove Fire & Rescue Public Safety Facility. Taylor County will provide the land for the facility and all project management services required for the construction. The County received a \$1M appropriation FY 23-24 with the project having a total estimated cost of \$2M.	1,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>



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#### 14. Program Performance

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

A hurricane rated, hardened fire station with two bays with living quarters will be constructed. Currently, Shady Grove Fire Rescue is located in a small, older shed like structure which does not have storage for equipment. There is currently no adequate parking and there are no living quarters. The north end of the County does not have a disaster recovery staging area and the new facility will provide those services if so needed. The entire County suffered serious loss from Hurricane Idalia and this facility is critically needed.

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

The fire station will provide facilities and resources for improved fire protection and emergency response services for Shady Grove and the north end of Taylor County (County). In addition, mutual aid is provided to the adjacent counties of Madison and Jefferson which will also benefit from the station and public safety facility. The new station will substantially reduce response times with adequate equipment being stored on site. Shady Grove is located 16.6 miles from the County's primary fire station which currently provides the majority of fire protection and emergency support for Shady Grove and the north end of the County.

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

The facility will provide substantially improved response times for fire protection and emergency services. In addition, the north end of the County will have a facility equipped to handle disaster recovery services.

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

The Shady Grove community as well as the north end of the County are the target population. Madison and Jefferson County will also benefit as mutual aid is provided to both counties. Approximately 3,500 citizens over 200 square miles will be served by the new facility.

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

All emergency calls are recorded and monitored. An expected outcomes of the project will be substantially reduced responses times which can be easily tracked and documented. Another outcome will be the extended life of emergency response and fire vehicles, equipment, and emergency apparatus with adequate storage and protection from inclement weather. There is no disaster recovery area at the north end of the County and the new station will provide these services. .

**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?**

Taylor County will move forward with the project immediately when sufficient funds are "in hand" for the project. All deliverables and performance measures will be met per contract timelines and requirements. The County owns the land where the facility will be located. The County will be providing all project management services.

#### 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)

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