



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2443

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

4. Project/Program Description

The Town of Hilliard is requesting an Appropriation of \$400,000 to construct and install improvements at the Oxford Street Park recreation facility, providing the Town's residents with improved facilities and recreational opportunities for exercise and outdoor activities. Specifically, the requested Appropriation for the proposed project will include construction of a Master Drainage System, construction of an Asphalt Walking Trail, installation of a New Playground System, installation of a new Irrigation System for Flag Football & Soccer Fields, Refurbishment of Playground Equipment, Refurbishment and relocation of Perimeter Fencing that currently encloses the park, and construction of much needed additional Parking. With these improvements, the quality of life will be enriched for the Town of Hilliard's residents.

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	400,000
Total State Funds Requested	400,000

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)	400,000	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	400,000	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.**
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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 Town of Hilliard received \$1,600,000 in Covid-19 relief funding. The Town will utilize \$1,000,000 of this funding as match for its unrelated sanitary sewer project and will utilize the remaining \$600,000 to pay off water and sewer bonds.

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 Town of Hilliard owns and maintains the Oxford Street Park facility. The requested Appropriation of \$400,000 from the State Legislature represents the project's entire budget.

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	The proposed Appropriation will be utilized for the construction of improvements to the Town of Hilliard's Oxford Street Park facility using a licensed contractor. Funds from the Appropriation will additionally be used for design, bidding and construction observation/inspection services by a licensed engineer.	400,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		400,000

14. Program Performance

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



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The purpose of the improvements to the Town's Oxford Street Park is to provide a state of the art outdoor recreation facility that serves as a primary location for the Town of Hilliard's residents to partake in and watch outdoor recreational activities. The overall goal is to enrich the quality of life for the Town's residents.

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

The proposed Oxford Street Park improvements project will include construction of a Master Drainage System, construction of an Asphalt Walking Trail, installation of a New Playground System, installation of a new Irrigation System for Flag Football & Soccer Fields, Refurbishment of Playground Equipment, Refurbishment and relocation of Perimeter Fencing that currently encloses the park, and adding much needed Parking.

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

The proposed Oxford Street Park Project will enhance the quality of life for the residents of the Town of Hilliard by providing improved park facilities and amenities that provide a venue for healthy outdoor activities, as well as a gathering place where friends and family can meet, picnic, and exercise.

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

The Town of Hilliard's Oxford Street Park is open to the public and serves all of the Town's 2,976 residents as well as the Town's visitors. With the proposed improvements, the Town anticipates that usage of the park's facilities and amenities will increase.

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

The proposed improvements to the Oxford Street Park facility will provide a local setting that entices residents to gather with family and friends, provides children a place to play and experience outdoor activities, and also serves as a community hub for socializing, exercising and disconnecting from electronic devices, work and the stresses of everyday life that impact the physical health and mental well being. The desired outcomes of the proposed park improvements will be to improve residents' physical health through walking the expanded trail and utilizing the new outdoor exercise equipment, and to improve the residents' mental well being.

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?

The Town of Hilliard anticipates that the proposed Oxford Street Park Phase II project will be completed in 12 to 18 months. The Town is confident that they will complete the project in a timely manner.

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)



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- 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