



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3251

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Restrooms and educational exhibit space for the Florida agricultural and history school programs will provide convenient facilities close to the vicinity of the school tour area, and thus attract schools and increase student visitors to our school and public educational programs. A Horse Education and Activity Barn is needed to move the Nature Trail Rides to the border of the property for pedestrian safety, and showcase the interconnection between Florida natural resources, ag/silviculture, and wildlife habitat.

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	2,639,665
Total State Funds Requested	2,639,665

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)	2,639,665	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	2,639,665	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

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

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.

Payroll protection \$31,319

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?

December 2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

July 2026

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.

Florida Agricultural Museum, Inc

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	Restrooms and Educational Exhibit Showcase Building - \$2,239,665 and Hitching Post Barn for Nature Trail Rides - \$400,000	2,639,665
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,639,665

14. Program Performance

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

Restrooms and educational exhibit space for FL Ag and History school programs will provide convenient facilities close to the vicinity of the school tour area, and thus attract schools and increase student visitors to our school and public educational programs. A Horse Education and Activity Barn is needed to move the Nature Trail Rides to the border of the property for pedestrian safety, and showcase the interconnection between FL natural resources, ag/silviculture, and wildlife habitat.

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



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Agriculture and Florida History Educational Tours for schools and general public
 Environmental Trail Rides
 4-H and Horse education
 Volunteer opportunities for adults and students

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

Provide indoor space for educational exhibits about Florida agriculture and history. Provide school tour bus and teacher organizers a one stop learning experience with convenient restrooms. Hitching post barn will provide a hub for horse programs that include 4-H equestrian training, family trail rides through 400 acres of diverse ecosystems, and education regarding natural resources.

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

Pre-K - College students
 Elderly persons
 Economically disadvantaged persons
 At-Risk youth

More than 800 persons will be served

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

Improve agricultural promotion and education measured by quantity and quality of programming that utilizes state educational standards and attracts a greater number of visitors.

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 standard state contract includes penalty clauses for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures and would be used for this project.

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



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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