



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3638

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

4. Project/Program Description

The current 9,244 sq. ft. Medical Examiner (ME) building was built in 1999, and despite additions throughout the years, has proven too small, inefficient, and not suited for long-term use. Additionally, expansion on the current site is not possible. The proposed new building will be 30,000 sq. ft. and include a morgue and an administrative section. It will also allow for future expansion. The funds requested will be used for architectural and engineering design services for the new facility.

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	2,860,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,860,000

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)	2,860,000	49%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	3,000,000	51%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	5,860,000	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.

\$155,429,917.67. Funds have been used for infrastructure upgrades and to mitigate impacts of COVID 19 including but not limited to testing, vaccination, PPE, overtime, support for businesses, support for not-for-profits, support municipalities, and rental assistance for families.

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?

6/04/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/01/2025

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.

Marion County acts as the caretaker of the Districts 5 & 24 ME Office, and as such, would own and maintain the building.

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 funds requested will be used for architectural and engineering design services for the new facility.	2,860,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,860,000

14. Program Performance

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

The funds will be used in the planning, design, and engineering of a new facility for the Districts 5 & 24 Medical Examiner Office.

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



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The new facility will allow the growing Districts 5 & 24 Medical Examiner Office a space more suitable than their current building, which has proven too small and inefficient.

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

Citizens within the jurisdiction of the Districts 5 & 24 Medical Examiner Office will be provided with timely services such as autopsies and other forensic pathology services.

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

The Districts 5 & 24 Medical Examiner Office have a population of about 1.8 million.

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

A new, efficient medical examiner office will assist the State Attorney in criminal prosecutions, and ensure timely determinations in accordance with Florida Statute Chapter 406.

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 contract penalties including liquidated damages and the potential for failure to be awarded future contracts due to poor or lack of performance.

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) Local government

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number



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17. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number