



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1185

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

As a result of the horrendous terrorist attack by Hamas against Israel on October 7, antisemitism is rising significantly and violent threats against the JCCs have also multiplied as well. This is in addition to the notable rise in reported hate crimes against Jews over the past two years. This request is a continuation of the preventative security initiative the Florida legislature approved last year. This initiative was developed to prevent and/or respond to security threats leveled against the Jewish community by putting our human and physical resources to work in the most effective ways.

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	525,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	525,000

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)	525,000	64%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	295,000	36%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	820,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	372,000	1275	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.

Funding these efforts to increase and improve security are not optional and, in fact, are necessary for the safety and security of our members, guests, and staff. If we cannot secure state funding, we'll have no choice but to utilize our emergency reserves which will put the entire organization at risk. Target hardening and planning for worst-case scenarios is necessary to ensure the community's safety.



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

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

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.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Senior Security, Public Education, & Community Relations Staff (of approximately \$275K total)-These funds will help offset the cost of employing the Director of Security, the Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council, & the Executive Director of Combating Antisemitism. This trio will lead the organization's efforts to improve security, keep the community alerted and engaged, & provide leadership in the fight against hate, threats, and violence directed at Jews in the greater Tampa Area.	235,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Senior Security, Public Education, and Community Relations Staff	20,500
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Conference Travel and Training - These funds will be used to allow the people in the above referenced positions to attend seminars and informational meetings around security and combating antisemitism. These conferences are excellent ways to build our networks and identify resources.	10,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Network Security Consulting - This is the cost of hiring a regional security consultant from the Security Community Network. Many Jewish communities across North America have already hired such a consultant.	33,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Liability Insurance	1,500
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Up to four (4) magnetometers (metal/weapons detectors) or similar devices to ensure no one brings a weapon into our facility which includes a large event center, a fitness facility, summer camp for children, after school care and more.	40,000



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Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Local Contracted Security: \$185,000 (of \$340,000 estimated total cost). Starting October 7, we had to double up security at all of our locations. Because the war in Israel was still ongoing at the time this was written, we have no idea how long we will have to continue bearing this additional expense, The \$340,000 figure may end up greater than \$600,000 this year.	185,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		525,000

14. Program Performance

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

This request represents Phase 2 of our local security initiative which was funded last year by the Florida Legislature. Due to the war in Israel which is a result of the brutal Hamas terrorist attacks, the risks the greater Tampa Jewish community now faces has increased significantly in addition to seriously rising antisemitism that has been recognized by the FBI the past few years. Increased security and greater security expertise has been and will continue to be will be implemented as a result of funding this project. This will allow us to continue to employ a Director of Security, an Executive Director of Combating Antisemitism, and a Jewish Community Relations Council Director. Together, these three professionals will supervise our contract security and serve as resources for the entire community to help increase security and effectively fight antisemitism.

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

Our facilities are open to the entire community, Jewish and non-Jewish, offering services such as summer camp, fitness facilities, a public art center, a business accelerator, an event center, and more. All persons using or visiting our JCC facilities will benefit from increased security and lives may very well be saved. The educational component will help in the fight against antisemitism. Everyone who visits our properteuies is at risk regardless of their faith, race, or ethnicity.

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

Citizens (visitors to the Bryan Glazer Family JCC) will experience a higher level of safety. This funding will allow us to be as prepared as possible to deal with life-threatening situations. We serve as first stop for security information throughout the community and a conduit to those with the greatest expertise.

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

All users of and visitors to the Shanna and Bryan Glazer JCC will benefit from this increased security. Greater than 800 people visit the Bryan Glazer Family every day and, on some days, that number exceeds 2,000 visitors. We estimate nearly 300,000 people visit this JCC every year.

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

We hope that we never have to demonstrate how prepared we are to deal with emergency situations but chances are we will at some point. The expected benefit is that our preparedness will save lives and prevent any harm intended for our members, guests, and staff. This will be an ongoing effort and, in light of the significant growth of antisemitism in our state, country, and around the world and the war in Israel, there's no end in sight.

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?

If we don't meet the performance measures for the contract, we are prepared to return the funds.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**



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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

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number