



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3066

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Hurricane Ian brought 15 ft. surge waters over Estero Island, causing significant over wash of sand and debris into the canal system of Fort Myers Beach. As a result canal depths have become shallow, which has impeded boat navigation in the canals. In addition, the gulf side canals where over wash of material into the canals was most severe, storm water conveyance via storm water outfalls has been impeded.

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	14,417,585
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>14,417,585</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)	14,417,585	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>14,417,585</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.

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.



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\$23,629.75 on April 7, 2021 used for Covid related expenses. ARPA funds – received \$3,553,556 to date. No funds have been spent as of yet, in pre-planning stages for expenditures.

## 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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

8/2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

8/2024

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.

Town of Fort Myers Beach.

### 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	Cost of dredging materials, moving to a staging site, removal from staging site to final disposal site.	14,417,585
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>14,417,585</b>

### 14. Program Performance

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

To clear navigable waterways and return them to usable conditions for aquatic vessels so that residents and tourists will be able to return to the waterways restoring their quality of life to pre-disaster conditions.

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



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The town has hired a survey team to create the estimates for sediment deposit for each canal, they will hire a contractor to come through to remove the excess material and return the canals to proper depth so that safety during an weather related emergency is paramount. The funds will also be used to develop a community dredging plan to ensure the Town has a self sustaining system going forward.

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

Use of the canals for vessel navigation, increasing safety of canals during weather related emergencies, as well as for use for water related activities. These actions will restore the quality of residents and tourists alike.

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

Residents who live on the island, tourists who are visiting the island and any individuals who have an interest in using the canals to access their residence or businesses that reside along them. This project will serve an estimated 10,000 individuals between residents and tourists.

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

This project will clear the waterways for the canals increasing acceptability by residents and revenues by businesses that are along the town. This will result in more boating activity increasing tax revenues, and permitting revenues for aquatic vessels. The outcome of this can be measured by the number of homes that can use the canals, and the revenue increases by the businesses that are along the canals, surface water quality testing, and economic benefit/revenue increase analysis.

**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?**

Daily or weekly fees for incomplete tasks.

**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)



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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

### Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

#### 18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify)
- N/A

#### 19. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

#### 20. What is the status of construction?

#### 21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

#### 22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?