



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Undergrounding of Main Electrical Circuits and Infrastructure in SW Area

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Anitere Flores

3. **Date of Submission:** 01/10/2018

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Replacing existing aging overhead electrical facilities with a more robust infrastructure, able to withstand high winds and other weather related issues in an older part of town.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** No

a. If yes, which state agency?

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

Executive Office of the Governor

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
100,000	3,400,000	3,500,000

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	0	0.0 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 3,500,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional)

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?

d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?

e. Complete the following Worksheet.



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FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
Column:	A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:			

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

11. Program Performance:

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

Minimizing power outages to citizens following major weather events.

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

Replacing existing overhead electrical facilities with a more robust underground infrastructure, which are only marginally affected by high winds and other weather related issues

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Salaries will be used for the Project Manager to oversee and coordinate all aspects of the work.	100,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		



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<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Salaries will be used for the engineering team to design the configuration of underground facilities, and for the field force of linemen to install the underground facilities and remove the existing overhead facilities. Underground electrical equipment and wire have to be purchased. Special equipment will be used to pull in the underground wire.	3,400,000
TOTAL		3,500,000

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Installing more robust underground electrical infrastructure will minimize power outages to residents during severe weather events. Underground facilities are less likely than the current overhead facilities to lose power following a lightning storm or a hurricane, as they are protected from the elements. Having electrical facilities more likely to maintain power after a major weather event is an incentive for new businesses, and also would improve the quality of life for the current residents. Following Hurricane Irma, many residents in this area were without power for several days waiting for downed electrical poles and power lines to be replaced and the infrastructure to be put back in place. Tying in with the theme of revitalizing the area, the undergrounding of electrical facilities is also much more aesthetically pleasing.

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

The residents of this area include economically disadvantaged persons, elderly persons, and at-risk youth. Improving the resilience of the electrical infrastructure will benefit all of the citizens in the SW area of the City of Homestead, over 2,000 individuals.

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



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Minimizing power outages as well as the length of time it takes to restore power following a major weather event. The outcome will be measured by the number of hours or number of days (depending on severity of the event) for power to be restored to the area following a major weather event.

- g. 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 in the contract?**

Work would be performed by the City of Homestead.

- 12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.**

The City of Homestead, FL - owner and recipient

- 13. Requestor Contact Information:**

- a. **Name:** Barbara Quinones
- b. **Organization:** City of Homestead
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- d. **Phone Number:** (305)224-4704

- 14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** City of Homestead
- b. **County:** Miami-Dade
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify) Local Government
- d. **Contact Name:** Barbara Quinones
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- 15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.**

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