



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1451

1. **Project Title** Liberty County Courthouse Improvements2. **Senate Sponsor** Bill Montford3. **Date of Request** 10/29/20194. **Project/Program Description**

Liberty County is seeking funding to improve multiple components of the Liberty County Courthouse and Clerk's office. These improvements would include increasing the ADA compliance of the courthouse entrances and hallways, installing "bandit barrier" glass at the Clerk's office and Tax Collector office, extending a sidewalk to provide a safe walkway from a parking area to the building, converting the light fixtures to LED lighting as a more energy efficient operation and improving the landscaping to try and replace what was lost in Hurricane Michael. Liberty County is also considered a Rural Area of Opportunity and would appreciate any way that they can reduce any consumption and think that the LED lighting would help in that aspect considerably in the aging Courthouse building.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** State Court SystemState Agency contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	000
Fixed Capital Outlay	380,000
Total State Funds Requested	380,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	380000	100.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	380,000	100 %

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?** ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	To purchase and install/construct all aspects of the proposed improvements	380,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		380,000



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11. Program Performance

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

The specific goal of this project would be to improve aspects of the Courthouse for the use of the employees and the citizens of the County. Liberty County does not have the funds to be able to make these changes without financial assistance.

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

The ADA improvements will include a larger door and converting a set of stairs to a ramp. The "bandit barrier" glass will be installed for the protection of the employees. A sidewalk will be extended to a current parking area. The LED light fixtures will bring energy efficiency to the building. The focus of the landscaping will be the installation of matured oak trees to replace the landmark oak trees that were badly damaged by Hurricane Michael.

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

All of these improvements will be for the betterment of the courthouse for the citizens of the County by providing safety, energy efficiency, and much needed landscaping to give the citizens pride in their County Courthouse.

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

There is no specific target population. The individuals who will be served is the numerous citizens that come to the Courthouse for their local government business and the employees that work there every day.

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

The benefit will be that the safety and productivity of the courthouse and the citizens using or working will be increased. The County can try to obtain surveys from the citizens to grade the improvements to the courthouse.

- 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 in the contract?

The Auditor General conducts audits for both City and State agencies.



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12. **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.**

Liberty County owns and maintains all of the courthouse and surrounding facilities.

13. **Requestor Contact Information**

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. **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

15. **Lobbyist Contact Information**

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