



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 1925

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

The project consists of engineering, environmental review, and construction at rail crossings of the Florida East Coast Railway (FECR) in Jacksonville to ensure each meets the strictest pedestrian and motorist safety standards set forth by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). This will include improvements such as active grade crossing warning devices, bells, advance warning signs or delineators or other physical barriers to deter motorists from crossing the tracks in front of an oncoming train. These improvements will reduce unnecessary deaths and injuries and will make the city more livable and attractive to future investors.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted? Yes No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="000"/>
Fixed Capital Outlay	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="750,000"/>
Total State Funds Requested	750,000

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)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="750000"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="100.0"/> %
Matching Funds		
Federal	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Local	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Other	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="00"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text" value="0"/> %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	750,000	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		
<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>	<input style="width: 80%;" type="text"/>

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		<input type="text"/>
Other Salary and Benefits		<input type="text"/>
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input type="text"/>
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		<input type="text"/>
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input type="text"/>
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	There are 10 active railroad crossings spanning this 7-mile stretch of rail line. The project consists of engineering, environmental review, and construction at rail crossings to ensure each meets the strictest pedestrian and motorist safety standards set forth by the FRA.	750,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		750,000



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11. Program Performance

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

This project will improve the safety and walkability of the area of Jacksonville from the Southbank south to the Florida East Coast Railway (FECR) Bowden Rail Yard at the intersection of Philips Highway and J. Turner Butler Blvd.

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

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

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

According to the FRA, Florida ranks 3rd in the nation in pedestrian trespassing fatalities caused by trains. In 2018, Florida saw 37 deaths and 25 injuries along rail lines; during that same period, there were 13 deaths and 36 injuries in Florida caused by motorists trying to beat the trains. FRA also notes that since January of this year there have been 5 trespasser casualties in Duval County. With the urban population growing in this area of the city, the possibility of incidents or casualties has the potential to trend upward.

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

These improvements will reduce unnecessary deaths and injuries; and will make the city more livable and attractive to future investors.

- 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?

Termination of agreement.



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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.**

City of Jacksonville.

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.