



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1658

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Pine Island Academy, a K-8 school of the St. Johns County School District, opened in 2021. The school is located on Pine Island Road, east of US 1. Due to the increased traffic flow with the new school, intersection modifications are needed at US 1 at Pine Island Road. Currently, there is no signalization, turn lanes or other safety measures. Intersection modifications are an urgent need to protect the safety of school buses, students, parents and others traveling on US 1.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

| Type of Funding | Amount |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Operations | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 2,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 2,000,000 |

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

| Type of Funding | Amount | Percentage |
|--|------------------|-------------|
| Total State Funds Requested (from question #6) | 2,000,000 | 100% |
| Matching Funds | | |
| Federal | 0 | 0% |
| State (excluding the amount of this request) | 0 | 0% |
| Local | 0 | 0% |
| Other | 0 | 0% |
| Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 | 2,000,000 | 100% |

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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\$106 million in COVID-19 direct and indirect funding for: COVID-19 prevention and mitigation; business and non-profit grant programs; affordable housing; rental assistance; public transit; water and sewer infrastructure; public safety first responder efforts.

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

b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

2027

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.

US 1: Federally owned
 Pine Island Road: Local/County owned
 Local government ownership along respective roadway Right-of-Way segments.

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

| Spending Category | Description | Amount |
|--|--|------------------|
| Administrative Costs: | | |
| Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits | | 0 |
| Other Salary and Benefits | | 0 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | | 0 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | 0 |
| Operational Costs: Other | | |
| Salary and Benefits | | 0 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | | 0 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation: | | |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering | Design, permitting, construction, post design services and CEI for improvements at the US 1/Pine Island Road intersection, including re-aligning Pine island Road, signaling the intersection, adding railroad signal preemption, adding a northbound right-turn lane, and incorporating a multi-use trail-head as feasible. | 2,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 2,000,000 |

14. Program Performance

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



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

Requested construction funding aims to alleviate current and projected traffic congestion at this intersection thereby improving the transportation system Level of Service (LOS) and safety to St. Johns County residents and motoring public.

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

The intersection improvements will provide for better operation of school buses, parent traffic going to/from the school, and the other community vehicles flowing through this area.

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

Grade school students and the general population > 1,000

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

1) Improved transportation conditions - The improvements will decrease congestion, reduce traffic incidents, and total lost time at this intersection along the US 1 corridor with additional capacity for anticipated growth in the area. Outcome can be measured through annual traffic counts and crash data. 2) Increase economic activity - Construction jobs, increase in land value and spending on goods and services measured through wages, land value and number of jobs. 3) Create immediate jobs - It is anticipated that the project will immediately create at least 25 construction-related job opportunities. Job creation is measurable through an audit of the successful contractor's employment records.

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 there is a performance deficiency requiring correction by the County, Agency will notify County. County will provide Agency with a corrective action plan describing how County will address performance deficiencies. If the corrective action plan implementation fails to remedy deficiencies, Agency will retain two point five percent (2.5%) of the total appropriations amount.

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)



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- 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