



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Bascom Museum and Cultural Center

2. **Senate Sponsor:** George Gainer

3. **Date of Submission:** 10/10/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Funds are requested to address the remaining elements needed to finalize the re-purposing of the Bascom School building (c1927) located in Bascom, Jackson County, Florida. The structure is being re-purposed to house the Bascom Museum and Cultural Center that will serve and offer a cultural venue to citizens and visitors of the Town of Bascom and Jackson County, a rural county that is identified as a REDI community, as well as the surrounding Northwest Florida area. Such a facility does not currently exist in Jackson County.

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?

Department of State

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
	50,000	50,000

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)	117,000	37.0%
Local	84,057	26.6%
Other	65,249	20.6%
TOTAL	266,306	84.2 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 316,306

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional) 3

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2017-18



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d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No

e. Complete the following Worksheet.

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:		135,600	135,600	

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?

The goal to be achieved by the funds requested is targeted toward the final elements needed for the re-purposing of the Bascom School structure (c1927) that will be re-purposed to house the Bascom Museum and Cultural Center to serve and offer a museum and cultural venue to citizens and visitors of the Town of Bascom and Jackson County, as well as the surrounding Northwest Florida area.

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

The activities that will be provided with the funds requested will focus on the purchase and installation of shelving and cases for museum displays; stage lighting, sound system, drapes and media components; cultural center furnishings; kitchen furnishings; and outside grounds parking and landscaping.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		



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Operational Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits		
<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	Purchase and installation of shelving and cases for museum displays; stage lighting, sound system, drapes and media components; cultural center furnishings; kitchen furnishings; and outside grounds parking and landscaping.	50,000
TOTAL		50,000

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

The direct services to be provided by the appropriations project is three-fold: First, saving a significant historic community-loved structure, many of the area's community members and/or their ancestors attended school at this site - the building is a memorable part of their childhood; Second, the project will create a museum that will house artifacts which will reflect the agricultural/river history of the Bascom and Jackson County community that otherwise may be lost if an effort is not taken to preserve them; and Third, the project will create an active cultural facility that will offer a site for play performances, art displays, senior citizen services, library/literacy services and programs, cultural and nature based presentations, and the like.

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

The population served by this project are the residents and visitors of the Town of Bascom, Jackson County, and the surrounding Northwest Florida area. The expected number of individuals that will be served is estimated to be at least 2,500 annually, cumulative of the programs proposed to be offered and visitors to the museum (\$20 cost ratio per individual for appropriation funds requested - \$50,000/2,500). However, the number is difficult to determine, in estimating the percent of citizens and visitors to the Bascom facility the population of Jackson County should be considered in the projection formula, 48,229 (US Census 2016 Estimates of the Resident Population).

**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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The benefit or outcome of the project has been reflected in previous sections herein, specifically a museum and cultural facility to serve the community, creating an amenity that currently does not exist in the Bascom or Jackson County area. The methodology by which the completed project will be measured is by the completion of the purchase and installation components noted, as well as the attendance and participation by individuals to the programs offered and visitors to the museum, attendance will be logged to document the estimated 2,500 participants estimated to be served annually.

**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?**

It is suggested that appropriation funds awarded for deliverables not completed in a timely manner by the contracting agency (Town of Bascom) be returned to the funding agency. Additionally, lack of successful performance measures within a three-year period may result in a re-evaluation of the building use, which could lead to a partnership with another agency for utilization, such as Chipola College or Jackson County, however ownership should not change considering the value of the structure verses this appropriation amount requested.

**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.**

Town of Bascom

**13. Requestor Contact Information:**

- a. **Name:** Billy James
- b. **Organization:** Town of Bascom
- c. **Email:** doublebarjbranch@centurylink.net
- d. **Phone Number:** (850)703-0409

**14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** Town of Bascom
- b. **County:** Jackson
- c. **Organization Type:**
  - For Profit
  - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
  - Local Entity
  - University or College
  - Other (Please specify)
- d. **Contact Name:** Billy James
- e. **E-mail Address:** doublebarjbranch@centurylink.net
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**15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.**

- a. **Name:** None



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**b. Firm:** None

**c. Email:**

**d. Phone Number:**