



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 2529

1. **Title of Project:** Hurricane Michael - Tallahassee - Expenditure Recovery

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Bill Montford

3. **Date of Submission:** 03/14/2019

4. **Project/Program Description:**

This project identifies funds expended related to Hurricane Michael that are not covered by insurance, not qualified for FEMA reimbursement, or are qualified and will receive some funds from FEMA but not enough to cover the cost of damage. As part of the preliminary damage assessment, the city estimated damages to be approximately \$23.9 million. The final damage inventory is being prepared as part of the FEMA public assistance reimbursement process. Under the federal program, the non-reimbursable cost to the city is at least 12.5 percent, which equates to an impact of approximately \$3 million. The city's ultimate responsibility depends in part on FEMA reimbursement.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds :** Executive Office of the Governor

State Agency Contacted? Yes

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	3,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	
Total State Funds Requested	3,000,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	3,000,000	12.50%
Federal	18,000,000	75.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	3,000,000	12.50%
Local		0.00%
Other		0.00%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020	24,000,000	100.0%

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

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

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

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		



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Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Storm loss expenses not covered by insurance or FEMA reimbursement.	3,000,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

11. Program Performance:

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

The funds were expended to meet emergency and recovery needs associated with the impacts of Hurricane Michael in the Tallahassee community. Planning efforts began in the days leading up to the storm with emergency response occurring during the storm, while recovery efforts commenced in the days and weeks following.

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

The city expended approximately \$24 million in direct response to Hurricane Michael. These efforts were significant and included emergency Police and Fire Department response, widespread outages for electric and other utility services, city-wide debris removal efforts, as well as citizen outreach and safety services, including setting up and staffing shelters and comfort stations.

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

Public safety, debris clean up, and restoration of utilities were the critical services provided to citizens during the storm. Police and firefighters responded to emergency requests and patrolled roadways, while linemen worked day and night to restore power to the 90 percent of customers who were without service immediately following the storm. Crews began clearing roadways and removing debris as soon as conditions were safe to do so.

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

The entire Tallahassee community (approximately 192,000 people).

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

Recovery of non-reimbursable expenses would allow the city to use these funds for the intended purpose of providing local government services to its residents. The city is working with FEMA and FDEM through the



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public assistance process to document and verify that all costs submitted are accurate and eligible for reimbursement.

- 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?**

Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

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.**

N/A

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- c. **Organization Type:**
 - ☐ For Profit
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - ☐ Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - ☒ Local Entity
 - ☐ University or College
 - ☐ Other (Please specify)
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