



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2141

1. **Project Title** Hardee County Cattlemen's Arena & Exposition Hall2. **Senate Sponsor** Ben Albritton3. **Date of Request** 01/07/20204. **Project/Program Description**

To renovate and upgrade pre-existing bathrooms, exhibit halls, address ADA ramps & changing stations, improvements may include but not be limited to adding judging livestock area & outbuildings located on approximately 11.5 acres within a 70-acre site owned by the Hardee County Board of Commissioners. Facility upgrades include ADA compliant restroom, and entryway, & 2 permanent barns & circulation apparatus for the arena. The Cattlemen's Arena has been an institution for the County for more than 37 years. There are no other facilities located within Hardee that can reasonably accommodate multiple community events such as the Hardee County Fair that host approximately 15,000 visitors, 4-H & FFA livestock shows & sales, high school graduation ceremonies, barrel racing & other rodeo events.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Department of Agriculture and Consumer ServicesState Agency contacted? ☒ Yes ☐ No6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	000
Fixed Capital Outlay	225,000
Total State Funds Requested	225,000

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)	225000	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	225,000	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		
2016-17	00	300,000	1442B	Yes

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	n/a	0
Other Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	n/a	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	n/a	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	n/a	0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	contractual architectural/engineering & construction services	225,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		225,000



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11. Program Performance

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

To provide safe up to code structures that include current ADA compliance regulations, improved educational facilities, adequate arena facilities.

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

Contractual engineering and construction services for renovation and upgrades -- pre-existing bathrooms; ADA compliant ramps & restrooms & changing stations for bathrooms; the exhibit halls -- (electrical & lighting upgrades, internal façade for arts, crafts and agricultural related education exhibits); covered concrete "y-shaped" walkway from the west end of the exhibit hall to the arena, entryway, barns, circulation apparatus for arena, judging livestock area & outbuildings for citrus.

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

Life, health & safety of citizenry in and on County owned property to include ADA accessibility & accommodations, code compliance facilities to attend and participate in educational community events, 4-H and FFA programs & events, rodeos, barrel racing, County fair activities and events.

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

Florida residents & visitors, special needs, elderly, at-risk youth, students, business community, surrounding communities - 12,000+

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

Safe, up to code facilities including ADA facility requirements and accessibility on County owned property. Improved facility provides avenue to expand & improve ag/fair educational programs, enrich cultural experience, agricultural production, economic activity, increase attendance, tourism & revenues. Employment maintained from project.

- 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?

Implementation of corrective action plan; non payment of invoices until milestones achieved



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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.**

Hardee County is the owner of the facility and the entity.

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.