



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2152

1. **Project Title** Pasco County Event Center

2. **Senate Sponsor** Wilton Simpson

3. **Date of Request** 01/09/2020

4. **Project/Program Description**

The funds will be utilized to stimulate economic development in a quickly growing region of Pasco County with access via a major highway (I-75) and to provide the Tampa Bay Region with a large-scale multi-purpose event center that is hardened to be a hurricane shelter to serve residents evacuating around the state.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Department of Economic Opportunity

State Agency contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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

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

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)	3000000	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	3,000,000	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		

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

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 10,000,000



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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 style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Other Salary and Benefits		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The funds requested are to hire the architects and construction management firm to begin development of the design and construction parameters for the project.	<input style="width: 90%;" type="text" value="3,000,000"/>
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000



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11. Program Performance

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

The funds will be utilized to stimulate economic development in a quickly growing region of Pasco County with access via a major highway (I-75) and to provide the Tampa Bay Region with a large-scale multi-purpose event center that is hardened to be a hurricane shelter to serve residents evacuating around the state.

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

The event center host events ranging from high school and college graduation ceremonies, concerts, trade shows, and athletic events. It will be built and utilized to accommodate almost any event requiring a large venue. The facility will also be hardened to provide emergency sheltering for evacuation of citizens.

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

Citizens will benefit from the center in that it will be located in an area easily accessed by the Tampa Bay community, provide space for both cultural and business related events, and be hardened to provide emergency sheltering for the evacuation of citizens.

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

The Tampa Bay region and citizens evacuating for sheltering.

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

Completion of the construction of the facility.

- 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?

Failure to meet the deliverables would result in all state funds being returned.



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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.**

Pasco County Board of County Commissioners would own the facility and contract with a managing entity to handle day-to-day operations. The center is a joint project between the Pasco County Board of County Commissioners and the District School Board of Pasco County.

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.