



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1072

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

This project continues the development of a museum to elevate the educational and cultural enrichment of Palm Beach County (PBC) residents, while honoring and preserving the legacy of members of the African Diaspora who contributed to and helped shape Palm Beach County. The School District of Palm Beach County (SDPBC) has pledged \$10 million in local funding towards the restoration of the educational use of the Historic Roosevelt High School. It is expected that the future campus will include an African Diaspora History Museum and Library. The museum will showcase African Diasporic history and culture, especially that unique to PBC, through exhibits, forums, lectures, performing arts, workshops and programs. This will support professional development complementing student curriculum as part of SDPBC's equity focus. The project will provide access to library and computer services to underserved and under-resourced individuals in historic African American and Northwest PBC neighborhoods.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	400,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>400,000</b>

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	400,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022</b>	<b>400,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	200,000	3180	No

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.**



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**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.**

SDPBC received federal assistance in the amount of \$35.1 million from the CARES Act (excludes amount earmarked for charter and private schools). However, SDPBC has spent over \$45 million on COVID-related costs thus far in service of bridging the digital divide and reopening brick and mortar campuses (representing a \$10 million shortfall).

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	A museum professional is needed to research and develop a hiring plan for a permanent team tasked with running the daily operations of the museum once opened. This individual would provide training in museum maintenance and management as well as continue the oral history project (to be bound and published), implement artifact preservation, and develop a board recruitment and management package.	150,000
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	An array of African American history-related artifacts exist throughout Palm Beach County, many of which have yet to be preserved properly for museum display. Funds will support travel for workshops, conferences, artifact preservation, digitization, and cataloging in accordance with best practices. Funding will also be used to document how African American residents have contributed to the history and success of PBC as part of an ongoing oral history project.	50,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Initial design and planning efforts are being supported by a partial 2020-21 appropriation, however additional funding is needed since museum planning is a specialty area and such expertise does not exist with school district staff. This individual will collaborate with and work with the architect to effectively communicate the community's vision, among other duties. Funding will also be used to develop a long range conservation plan and a strategic plan.	200,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>400,000</b>

**12. Program Performance**

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

Renovation of Roosevelt High School as an Engineering and Technology Center and an African American history museum to provide educational and cultural enrichment for Palm Beach County students and members of the community. The museum's exhibits and programs will supplement and complement the school curriculum, with the added opportunity for students to explore careers in museum management and art conservation first-hand through internships. Historic Roosevelt High will also house the historic African American and Northwest Community's first library, computer lab, and resource center, which will provide services to underserved and under-resourced students and community members.



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

The museum will feature specialized educational programming and historical and cultural exhibits showcasing African American history, contributions and accomplishments unique to Palm Beach County through multimedia platforms. A film documentary on African Americans from the 1800s to the present will be planned, scripted, and prepared for production. Library services and a computer lab will also be available to students and Palm Beach County residents. Through the ongoing oral history projects, senior citizens will be encouraged to share and record their stories and artifacts.

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

Educational and cultural enrichment to Palm Beach County public school students and members of the community. Access to an Engineering and Technology Academy, library and computer lab for under-served and under-resourced residents of Palm Beach County. Through the ongoing oral history projects, senior citizens will be encouraged to share and record their stories through a multi media platform that will record and preserve their artifacts and be included in a bound and published volume.

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

School-aged students in Palm Beach County and all members of the PBC community, inclusive of tourists.

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

The Engineering and Technology Academy will serve all Palm Beach County students. The museum will provide cultural and educational enrichment; the library will provide access to library and computer resources that have previously been unavailable in the African American and historic Northwest community. This benefit will be measured by data collected via museum attendance in the future as well as program participation.

**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?**

Withholding of funds. Standard contract penalties will be sufficient.

**13. 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.**

N/A - no fixed capital outlay funding is being requested.



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#### 14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name  Last Name   
b. Organization   
c. E-mail Address   
d. Phone Number  Ext.

#### 15. 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

#### 16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name   
b. Firm Name   
c. E-mail Address   
d. Phone Number