



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1699

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

4. Project/Program Description

To reduce the water intrusion in the historic 1917-era Cuban Club Building, listed on the National Register of Historic Places and a major contributing structure to the Ybor City National Landmark District, this project would replace gutter systems, pedestrian decks, windows, doors, and Juliet balconies on the 4th floor ballroom area. Interior of the ballroom would have plaster repair and be repainted. Support column 13 would be repaired. Old theatre wiring would be replaced and repaired. Outdated elevator equipment will be replaced and upgraded. An outside entrance to the elevator will be added to better accommodate persons with disabilities. The building serves as a convention/events center and is important to Tampa's tourism. The building is also open for historic tours and helps educate visitors about Ybor City's immigrant past, the cigar industry, and the mutual aid societies.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?** No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,200,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,200,000

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)	1,200,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	1,200,000	100%

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

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2017-18		1,000,000	2224M	No

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?** No
- a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**

b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**

10. **Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**



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No

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	To reduce the water intrusion in the historic 1917-era Cuban Club, this project would replace gutter systems, pedestrian decks, windows, doors, and Juliet balconies on the 4th floor ballroom area. Theatre wiring would be repaired/replaced. Outdated elevator equipment will be replaced and upgraded. An outside entrance to the elevator will be added to better accommodate persons with disabilities.	1,200,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,200,000

12. Program Performance

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

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

The foundation will hire an architect, engineer, and contractor to make the improvements and repairs that are within the scope of the project. All work will be permitted, approved by the Barrio Latino Commission, and when completed, inspected.

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

The repair of the Cuban Club will ensure its activity as a venue for a variety of events such as concerts, performances, art and commercial exhibits, political rallies and gatherings, non-profit fund raisers, weddings, and other events along with attracting a wide spectrum of tourist visitors. The repairs to the building will also create immediate construction jobs. The county has requested the building as a hurricane shelter and distribution center.

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



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While the construction project doesn't serve individuals or a target population, the building is visited and used by close to 50,000 people a year.

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

The repairs will encourage and promote more use of the building as a convention/events center, a tourist attraction, a concert facility, and a storm shelter and distribution center during hurricanes. Success will be measured by an increase in events and attendance. Increased use will also cause an increase in remitted sales and a jump in parking fees at neighboring City of Tampa parking garages.

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?

The contracting agency should not distribute any funds until the Cuban Club Foundation has proven that it has met or exceeded all deliverables. Non-performance would exclude the project from state funding.

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.

The Cuban Club Building is owned by the Cuban Club Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)(3), whose mission is to restore and preserve the Cuban Club Building, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and to promote its history and heritage. The foundation uses the building as an events center to raise money for preservation activities. The building is open for tours where its history is retold.



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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