



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1064

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

This project is the Bill Nygren Buggy Collection. There will be an expansion of the Museum of Seminole County History to house a permanent exhibit of a rare collection of 32 historical American horse-drawn carriages called "buggies" which date from 1795 to 1910. A buggy, a type of carriage, is a two- or four-wheeled horse-drawn vehicle that was the common mode of transportation before the automobile. The focus of the buggy exhibit will show the technological innovations that evolved in carriage construction during the Industrial Revolution that eventually led to the development of the automobile and the secondary narrative of the evolution from hand-crafted, individual craftsmanship to machine-manufactured parts from the 1700s to 1800s. The exhibit will address at least 15 standards of Florida Fourth Grade History requirements. It will be the only carriage exhibit of its kind in the State of Florida, with interactive and and interpretive elements for a broad audience.

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

**6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

| Type of Funding                    | Amount        |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Operations                         | 0             |
| Fixed Capital Outlay               | 25,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested</b> | <b>25,000</b> |

**7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)**

| Type of Funding                                      | Amount        | Percentage  |
|--|---------------|-------------|
| Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)       | 25,000        | 50%         |
| <b>Matching Funds</b>                                |               |             |
| Federal  | 0             | 0%          |
| State (excluding the amount of this request)         | 0             | 0%          |
| Local  | 0             | 0%          |
| Other  | 25,000        | 50%         |
| <b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b> | <b>50,000</b> | <b>100%</b> |

8. Has this project previously received state funding?  No

| Fiscal Year<br>(yyyy-yy) | Amount    |              | Specific<br>Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                          | Recurring | Nonrecurring |                             |        |
|                          |           |              |                             |        |

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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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        |
|--|--|---------------|
| <b>Administrative Costs:</b>   |  |               |
| Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits                    |  | 0             |
| 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                                |  | 0             |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study                                  |  | 0             |
| <b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>                    |  |               |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering                      | Funds requested to renovate an existing 40-year old building at 300 Eslinger Way, Building 302, Sanford, FL 32773 of 3,000 square feet for museum expansion. Funds will be used to facilitate refit to allow for permanent exhibition of the Nygren Buggy Collection. Planned renovations include drywall installation, HVAC upgrade, flooring, lighting, painting, installation of ADA compliant doors, and exhibit displays. This is a one-time request. | 25,000        |
| <b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b> |  | <b>25,000</b> |

**12. Program Performance**

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

These funds will allow preservation and display of 32 American-made buggies dating from 1795 to 1910 that catalogue American transportation history and demonstrate the evolution of manufacturing from hand-made to mass production. During the Industrial Revolution, improvements in the systems of these buggies (i.e. brakes, suspension, steering) prepared the way for horseless carriages and modern automobiles. Also, the collection is a timeline physically manifested representing the evolution of Florida from its colonial roots until the modern era and shows us how settlers immigrated to Florida. It is important to remember and tell their story so modern Floridians know where we came from as a state.

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

The museum expansion will add to the MSCH by adding 3,000 square feet of exhibit space to allow for new artifact acquisition. Special programming about transportation and migration patterns in US and Florida history, buggy history, and preservation of historical artifacts will be implemented using public history and public archaeology methodologies. This is the only collection of its kind in the State of Florida and is of national scope with its inclusion of buggies from North Carolina, New York, Nebraska, and other states. Classes and educational curriculum designed to focus on STEM methodologies will also be designed to complement the exhibit.

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



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Historical education opportunities will be provided for pre-K-12 students, undergraduate students, and graduate students as well as public school teachers in need of continuing education hours. Home school, charter school, and private school students will also have new active learning activities tied to civics curriculum. New museum exhibits (both permanent and temporary) will provide additional cultural immersion opportunities for visitors (local residents and tourists). Visitors to the museum will also have the opportunity to learn about historical preservation techniques by the work of professional conservators. Museum services and public programming opportunities will also increase and expand.

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

The target population that will be served by this project are as follows: visitors to the Museum of Seminole County History (approximately 3,500 to 4,500 annually); Seminole County residents; tourists to Seminole County and the Central Florida region; students of public, private, charter, and home schools; participants from day care groups and senior citizen groups; community and service groups (ex: Boy and Girl Scouts of America); and historical and anthropological groups (ex: the Altamonte Historical Society, the Longwood Historical Society, the Society of Historic Casselberry, the Lake Mary Historical Society, the Geneva Historical Society, etc.).

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

The expected benefits/outcomes of this project are as follows: A.) Cultural resource management successfully preserving the artifacts of the Nygren Buggy Collection (32 historic buggies); B.) Annual increase in attendance at the Museum of Seminole County History by 10%-15%; C.) Increased tourism rates in Seminole County; and D.) Raised visibility of the museum and Seminole County government. These outcomes will be through tracked publicity rankings in print and social media and evaluation of public opinion forms completed by visitors to the museum.

**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?**

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.**

The Museum of Seminole County History and proposed expansion site (Building 302) are owned and managed by Seminole County.



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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