



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1136

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

4. **Project/Program Description**

Peanut Island is a 79-acre island at the mouth of the Lake Worth Inlet in Palm Beach County. The island was created by dredging in 1918 which also created the inlet and the Port of Palm Beach. The now vacant Coast Guard Station Lake Worth located on the island was historically significant for its role in coastal defense and rescue activities during the early months of World War II, for its involvement in the events of the Cuban Missile Crisis, and as the location of the John F. Kennedy fallout bunker. In 2005, a \$13 million renovation of the island created camp sites, a pier, and a man-made reef. This restoration project will revitalize this area's legacy of ecotourism by renovating these historic facilities.

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

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,500,000

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)	1,500,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	1,500,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	3,000,000	100%

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

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

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?**



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

Palm Beach County is the recipient of CARES Act funds in the amount of \$261 million dollars. Funding was spent entirely for emergency assistance, mortgage assistance, business grants, COVID-19 sheltering, testing, isolation, and emergency personnel. Palm Beach will receive \$290,730,026 in American Rescue Plan funding which will be used on pandemic-related service and infrastructure projects.

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	This restoration project will revitalize this area's legacy of ecotourism by renovating historic Peanut Island facilities, including the vacant Coast Guard Station building, boathouse, and historic Kennedy Fallout Bunker.	1,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,500,000

12. Program Performance

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

The Peanut Island restoration will renovate historic Coast Guard buildings for ecotourism which will add to the county's extensive 2005 renovation of the island which created extensive recreational opportunities.

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

Planning and construction renovation of existing buildings and historic fallout bunker.

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

Florida residents will enjoy the opportunity to participate in recreational and ecotourism activities.

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

Residents participating in recreational, historical, and ecotourism opportunities will utilize the benefits of the renovated island facilities.

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

East central Palm Beach County and the municipality of Riviera Beach will benefit by increased economic activity from the recreational, historic, and ecotourism brought by the renovation. The island is only accessible by marine craft and water taxi, so the number of increased tourists can be measured.



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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?

Inability to complete renovations by a date certain can result in no further appropriations. Standard contract penalties are 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.

Peanut Island is under jurisdiction of Palm Beach 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