



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1443

1. Project Title Homestead Law Enforcement Technology Upgrades: Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Account

2. Senate Sponsor Ana Maria Rodriguez

3. Date of Request 11/24/2021

4. Project/Program Description

Funding will be used to purchase communications equipment for the City of Homestead's Mobile Command Center (MCC). This request is for equipment and technology upgrades which will allow the City to communicate more effectively locally and regionally during times of crisis, and most importantly, provide the much-needed infrastructure and apparatus, allowing for interoperability communications. The equipment the City needs for the MCC includes: Microwave video receivers, Bgan Mobile satellite terminal, tactical cameras with Microwave link to set up remote situational awareness back to C.P. and ruggedized fiber optic cable. In order to deploy this technology in areas ravaged by disaster, we also intend to use funding for Base-X shelter systems with portable air conditioners to self-support our responding personnel who staff the Mobile Command Center vehicle in virtually any condition or location.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Law Enforcement

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	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)	500,000	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 2022-2023	500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific 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.



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

Yes

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

The City was awarded CDBG-CV funds for \$1,012,565 for Housing & Utility Assistance, Meals to Covid-affected individuals, and Small Business Grants. Approx. \$2.1M as sub-recipient of Miami-Dade County to reimburse the City for Covid-related operating expenditures. \$183K through DOJ to cover Covid-related police OT. Approx. \$2.5M in PA funding from FEMA for reimbursement of Covid-related exp. and 2 vaccine claims. \$19,192,087 in ARPA funds which Council is to decide fund use at a later date.

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	The equipment the City needs for the MCC includes: Microwave video receivers, Bgan Mobile satellite terminal, tactical cameras with Microwave link to set up remote situational awareness back to C.P. and ruggedized fiber optic cable.	500,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

12. Program Performance

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

The equipment the City needs for the MCC includes: Microwave video receivers, Bgan Mobile satellite terminal, tactical cameras with Microwave link to set up remote situational awareness back to C.P. and ruggedized fiber optic cable.

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

Task force operations in investigating human trafficking, support community crime prevention efforts, youth drug awareness, D.U.I. checkpoints, "Mini Station" to coordinate the evacuation of the Florida Keys, support critical incidents such as homicide scenes, hostage negotiation, large crime scenes, and assist other agencies, hurricane preparation and awareness training, etc.

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

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



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The target population is the residents and visitors of the City of Homestead who are (a) impacted by a critical incidents in which the mobile command post would be utilized as a mobile police operational station, (b) residents/visitors who attend community events in which the command post will be utilized for public crime prevention information sharing. (c) residents/visitors who are required to evacuate their community due to the threat of a hurricane including outlying cities, the command post will act as the mobile police station to coordinate such evacuations with other agencies (Federal/State). The command post will also be "ground zero" for police operations in the event of a large crime scene such as a mass shooting, hostage situation or any situation in which the command center will act as the staging area for law enforcement.

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

The ability for law enforcement operations to be conducted from within a mobile command post that will act as the staging area for the immediate response of law enforcement to a developing critical situation. The mobile command center will be the base for the coordination of Federal/State agencies that may be assisting in a critical response. The mobile command center will also be utilized to provide educational material/information to residents and visitors during community events from within the City. The information that will be disseminated includes crime prevention information, hurricane preparedness, firearm safety, bike safety, pedestrian safety, etc. The use of the command post during community events also provides the opportunity for residents to actually see the enhanced capabilities of the police department due to Congressional support. The command post will act as the mobile police station to coordinate such evacuations and disaster response with other agencies.

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 penalties for non-deliverables or performance would be the withholding of funds.

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.

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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