



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1650

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Provide safe and sustainable facilities for the Bay of Pigs - Brigade 2506 Museum in Little Havana for the purpose of preserving the important history of the Cuban people's fight against communism and honoring the brave men who fought and died for freedom. The museum must be updated and expanded to continue the dissemination of historical information long into the future to visitors, and local, domestic, and foreign tourists in the Miami/Dade area. The museum has received more than 5,000 visitors annually and is ranked number 14 out of 80 museums in the Miami/Dade area (as reported by Trip Advisor).

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	2,600,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,600,000

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)	2,600,000	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	2,600,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	0	1,500,000	3153A	Yes

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.

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
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	Major renovation for the existing museum facility related to the 40-year certification including building structure, fire suppression system, controlled air quality, and humidity, auditorium, and office remodeling, as well as upgrades to lighting systems, security system, sound, and audiovisual equipment. In addition, the expansion of the facility will include the acquisition of land, engineering, and architectural design, renovation, and new construction of building and parking lot.	2,600,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,600,000

12. Program Performance

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

The purpose of the funds is to ensure a safe facility for guests and patrons, as well as ensure the sustainability of the museum for years to come in order to preserve the important history of the Cuban people's fight against communism and honoring the brave men who fought and died for freedom. The renovated and expanded facility will include exhibits and services to disseminate historical information related to the Bay of Pigs invasion and its heroes to local visitors and domestic and foreign tourists visiting the museum.

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

Provide historical information to visitors, both foreign and domestic, regarding the fight against communism and socialism in Cuba and to honor the heroes of Brigade 2506. This will educate and provide a research area for students and scholars with unique materials only available at the museum. Seminars and conferences will be offered to students, other personnel, and local organizations.

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

Provide historical information to visitors, both foreign and domestic, regarding the fight against communism and socialism in Cuba and honor the heroes of Brigade 2506. This will educate and provide a research area for students and scholars with unique materials only available at the museum. Seminars and conferences will be offered to students, other personnel, and local organizations.

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 will include students, veterans, and both domestic and foreign tourists that visit Miami. The Museum receives more than 5,000 visitors annually and it is expected that this amount could increase by two times. The museum ranks number 14 by Trip Advisor out of 80 museums in the Miami/Dade area.

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

It is expected that with the upgrading and expansion of the museum, the number of visitors will increase, therefore offering a valuable attraction to the thousands of tourists visiting the Miami/Dade area. The successful outcome will be measured by the number of visitors visiting 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?

Loss of 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 Bay of Pigs Museum and Library of the Brigade 2506 will be the only organization receiving the funding. The facility and the entity are the same.



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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