



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1950

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The project entails the installation of approximately 2.5 miles of large diameter potable water main and a fiber broadband connection from Laurel Road north along Knights Trail to service a planned County Field Operations Complex that will include General Services Fleet Operations, Public Works and Public Utilities Field Operations Centers, and a Regional Fire/EMS Training Academy to support multi-agency training efforts. The potable water main will also provide for the build-out of the distribution system in the portion of the County east of I-75. Additionally, the project will include the construction of a new wastewater lift station that will also serve as a leachate re-pump station for the landfill, and the installation of approximately 2.5 miles of large diameter sewer force main to accommodate the planned County facilities as well as future leachate flows. This local funding initiative request is for \$1,000,000 that will be used to support the construction of the project.

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	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,000,000

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)	1,000,000	20%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	4,000,000	80%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023	5,000,000	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?

Yes

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

Yes. Please see attached spreadsheet. Sarasota County has received \$218,611,497.62 in federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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	The \$5,000,000 in funding requested from the State will be used to offset a portion of the construction for: 1) approximately 2.5 miles of large diameter potable water main; 2) a new wastewater lift station; 3) approximately 2.5 miles of large diameter sewer force main, and 4) approximately 2.5 miles of broadband fiber installation.	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

12. Program Performance

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

This funding will assist in the construction of water and sewer mains, a wastewater lift station, and installation of a fiber broadband connection to service a County Field Operations Complex that will include General Services Fleet Operations, Public Works and Public Utilities Field Operations Centers, and a Regional Fire/EMS Training Academy. This system will also provide for additional resiliency and redundancy in the potable water distribution system and the regional broadband fiber system.

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

This project will provide water, sewer, and fiber broadband service to a consolidated County Field Operations Complex and a Regional Fire/EMS Training Academy that will offer educational and training opportunities to high school students, university/college students, and others interested in pursuing a career as a firefighter/EMT, as well as those currently employed by local public safety entities. Water and sewer service will also be extended to the eastern portion of the County. Current and future landfill leachate will be managed in a reliable, secure system.

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



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This project will provide water, sewer, and fiber broadband service to a consolidated County Field Operations Complex and a Regional Fire/EMS Training Academy that will educate, train, and certify emerging firefighter/EMTs and those currently employed with the Sarasota County Fire Department and other regional fire rescue agencies. These individuals serve the community and offer direct services to the citizens of the community by providing life safety, fire prevention, fire protection, fire suppression, and emergency medical services. Additionally, current and future residents to the east of I-75 will be provided with access to County water and sewer utility services. County Fleet and Field Operations will be able to offer more efficient services to citizens and support to County operations by being co-located in a centralized consolidated facility.

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

The target population for the Regional Fire/EMS Training Academy includes high school students, university/college students, and technical school students, as well as those currently employed with SCFD and other fire rescue agencies. The project will initially serve hundreds of individuals and will continue to serve individuals in the target population over many years to come. As future development and infill of existing development progresses in the County to the east of I-75, the water and sewer aspect of the project will allow County Utilities to serve thousands of new and existing residents. County Public Works and Public Utilities Field Operations serve all citizens of Sarasota County by maintaining and improving essential infrastructure.

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

The outcome will be water, sewer, and fiber broadband service that will allow for improved quality of education for firefighter/EMTs and consolidated General Services Fleet, Public Works Field Operations, and Public Utilities Field Operations. Protection of the drinking water aquifer in the Southern Water Use Caution Area will be provided by a reduction in the number of future Public Drinking Water wells that would otherwise need to be drilled in close proximity to the Carlton Water Treatment Plant. Commute times for County Field Operations staff to reach all areas of the County will be improved by the central location of the Complex. The performance measures will be the completion of the construction of the water and sewer mains, the wastewater lift station, and the fiber broadband connection.

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?

Sarasota County contracts penalties could include our standard contract provisions which cover liquidated damages, withholding payment, and/or termination of contract.

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.

Sarasota County Board of County Commissioners (Owner)



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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



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Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

17. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify)
- N/A

18. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

In the planning/design stage

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

0%

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2023