



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2215

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Funds will be used to construct a new multi-purpose facility for Gadsden County to include the Emergency Operations Center, Communications Center, Sheriff's Office and Fire/EMS services. The facility will provide the much needed functional space for co-location of county emergency and disaster preparedness, response, and recovery activities and services, including accommodating all county agencies and public and private partners for pre and post event meetings and coordination efforts.

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	33,600,000
Total State Funds Requested	33,600,000

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)	33,600,000	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	33,600,000	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.**

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	Construction of new Emergency Operations Center and Public Safety Complex.	33,600,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		33,600,000

12. Program Performance

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

The facility will provide the necessary functional space for co-location of county emergency and disaster preparedness, response, and recovery activities, and services, including accommodating all county agencies and public and private partners for pre and post event meetings and coordination efforts.

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

Gadsden County is in desperate need of a new EOC and multi-purpose facility to co-locate emergency response and disaster services. Currently the Sheriff's Office and EOC are housed in a 50+ year old building that does not meet hurricane building codes. The facility is also too small to accommodate meetings with representatives and support staff of all agencies needed during an emergency.

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

All emergency and disaster planning, recovery, and response activities will be coordinated and implemented under one roof to include those of law enforcement, fire/EMS, and emergency management. This will ensure that emergency and disaster related services, activities, communication, and information needs are conducted in a cohesive and timely manner to citizens, visitors, businesses, and partners.

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

All demographic groups will benefit from this project. More than 45,000 individuals are expected to be served.

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

Gadsden County EOC is one of eight counties not recognized by the FDEM as meeting at least minimum hurricane safety criteria (e.g., structural vulnerabilities due to use of old building codes, lack of adequate wall reinforcement, and vulnerable to rainfall flood hazards) or having sufficient emergency management operational workspace.



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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?

Corrective action plan created, measured, and implemented with a success timeline for the state to continue funding the project.

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.

Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners.



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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