

LFIR # 2464

1. Project Title	Holmes County Agriculture Center
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2. Senate Sponsor George Gainer

3. Date of Request 01/17/2022

4. Project/Program Description

The Holmes County Board of County Commission is seeking funding to use towards the purchase of the Holmes County Agriculture Center. The center is currently owned by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. By acquiring the facility, the county will be better prepared to apply for funding needed to complete the repairs and renovations needed to get the building in a state to resume normal activities at the center.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

State Agency contacted? Yes

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	250,000
Total State Funds Requested	250,000

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)	250,000	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	250,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring Nonrecurring		Appropriation #		

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?

No

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



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The County is currently scheduled to receive a total of approximately \$3.8 million from the American Rescue Plan Act. No funding from ARPA has been expended for any projects to date but has been allocated at 50% of the funding needed.

11. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	nding Category Description	
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/Majo	r Renovation:	·
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	Purchase price of the facility.	250,000
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	250,000

12. Program Performance

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

The funding will be used towards the purchase of the Holmes County Agriculture Center. The center is currently owned by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services of which the county is the lessee. By acquiring the facility, the county will be better situated to apply for funding to complete the repairs and renovations needed to get the building in a state to resume normal activities at the center.

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

When in operation, the Holmes County Agriculture Center offered many different cultural and educational events and programming to the residents of Holmes County. Purchase of the property will enable the county to pursue additional funding to complete the needed repairs and renovations for the facility.

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

Re-opening the Holmes County Agriculture Center will enable the county to expand and continue youth related activities, hold events, and allow the cattle community to conduct the agriculture-related activities back onsite.

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

The general public is the main target population to be served by this project with over 1,000 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?

The agriculture center will be able to once again offer a wide variety of cultural and educational programs which can be measured in the total number of events that are being offered.

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 county will spell out any damages for failing to administer the funding if appropriated.

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 county is the owner and entity.



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14. Requestor Contact Information

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	□For Profit Entity					
	□Non Profit 501(c	c)(3)				
	□Non Profit 501(c	c)(4)				
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