



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 2707

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Historic Preservation of the Bartow Cigar Factory. The building is on the national registry of historic buildings and needs a new roof, termite mitigation, new floors, HVAC, windows, plumbing, electrical, and replacement of any wood or fixtures back to their original quality. The interior of the building will then be retrofit for repurposing for commercial use that will increase economic activity for the city, county, and region.

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	250,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	4,750,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>

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)	5,000,000	100%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>5,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.

The entity requesting federal historic presentation funding for out years as building is on the national registry.

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
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	Salary for executive director overseeing project and day to day operations of the Cigar Factory specific to the ongoing purpose of the building	35,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Part-time staff assisting executive director with defined duties of overseeing revitalization and preservation of the Cigar Factory in addition to day to day operations of purpose of facility	25,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Office supplies and equipment to include any travel directly related to preservation of building and operations	8,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted professionals for securing of all permits, electrical connections to grid, environmental studies	40,000
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Pre-construction cleaning and maintaining of building for commercial use	12,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Contracted architectural services, post construction and pre construction cleaning, studies outlining buildings security so that it meets any and all standards for occupation of space, project consulting work as identified that is directly applicable to the project's end goals to include coordinating project with city, county government, and building contractor	130,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Cost of any an all construction related work, such as roof and flooring, replacing damaged wood or fixtures, materials, remediation, electrical, HVAC and all work specific to preserving and revitalizing the historic building	4,750,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>5,000,000</b>

#### 12. Program Performance

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

A historic building that is a part of Cuban history in Florida will be restored and preserved to be repurposed to both promote such history and increase economic activity for Bartow Florida to the benefit of the county and the region

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

Once the buildings exterior is restored and the interior preserved as well as repurposed, the entity receiving funds will manage and oversee the commercial activity of the building to include a business incubator, the rental of meeting space, restaurants, and retail shops to include a cigar store; live music to include outdoor music as a venue; décor containing historic photographs and memorabilia educating visitors about the historic significance of the building.

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

The City of Bartow, the County Seat of Polk County, would have restored a historic tobacco factory to repurpose it to bring economic activity to the county and the city; and in doing so will revitalize the city's midtown to be reimagined for additional economic activity that will make it a destination location for many citizens in the region and some tourists.

##### 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 citizens of Bartow, Polk County, the region, and tourists with a keen interest in history and the preservation of historic buildings in addition to those interested in Cuban History in Florida. Also targeting those who would shop, frequent the restaurants there, enjoy live music, and utilize meeting space and business incubator. This project will be a place for the region and local residents to enjoy.

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

First to preserve a unique historic building in Florida that is a part of Cuban history in Florida so that citizens and the world can better the history; and to generate significant economic activity in Bartow that will benefit the residents of Bartow and Polk county as they will participate in the increased economic activity. Main street Bartow and the city's Chamber of Commerce will work tourism officials to record and document the economic impacts. The building's restoration itself will be realized by the work done by local contractors, working with the high school and other local construction professionals focused on historic preservation for their state and region.

**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?**

All contracts to include vendors and contractors will have strict performance goals and guidelines that will also provide clear targets to indicate when said performance measures are not met to include the cancelling of their contracts and other penalties. The entity working with contract managers at the state agency specific to the appropriation will work with the agency to have strict performance guidelines that it must meet for scheduled distributions of funding from any appropriation.

**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 City of Bartow is the owner of the building to be engaged in public private partnership with the nonprofit to restore the property. While the entity in agreement with city manages all aspects of restoration, the day to day operations of the building, and to oversee all vendors or businesses located therein. Also, the nonprofit entity will maintain the building and operate as any nonprofit with respect to securing available federal funding for historic preservation, donors, grants, etc.



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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