

The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request

LFIR # 1763

Fiscal Year 2024-202

Halifax Urban Ministries Septic to Sewer Conversion for Veterans Transitional Housing Facility

2. Senate Sponsor Tom Wright

3. Date of Request 11/09/2023

4. Project/Program Description

This project, which has been designed, will convert the septic system at the Barracks of Hope, a Halifax Urban Ministries transitional housing facility for veterans, to a more efficient and environmentally-friendly sewer system of the City of Daytona Beach. The facility, Barracks of Hope, houses 20 homeless veterans. With donated property and grants from the Veterans Administration and Volusia County, the facility was renovated and opened in November 2023. Budgetary constraints did not allow for this facility to be added to the City of Daytona Beach's sewer system. The addition is designed and ready to implement when funding is available.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

No

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	450,000
Total State Funds Requested	450,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage	
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	450,000	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 2024-2025	450,000	100%	

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

No

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed	
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s future funding likely to be requested?			No		

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	J.
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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.

The initial grant was from the VA and was a response to COVID-19 pandemic. The grant was initiated to protect vulnerable homeless veterans by providing them transitional housing with private rooms with private bathroom facilities thus minimizing contact with others who might be infected with Covid-19.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

- 11. Status of Construction
 - a. What is the current phase of the project?

🔘 Planning	💽 Design	Construction	🔘 N/A
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b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?	
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12. List 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 facility is owned and operated by Halifax Urban Ministries, a 501(c)3 non-profit, whose mission is to prevent homeless and move people from homeless to a more stable living situation.

Yes

As soon as possible

9 months from start

13. 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/Majo	r Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering	The entire amount will be used to permit and construct the necessary connections to the City of Daytona Beach's sewer system. The design and planning has been completed by the appropriate architects, contractor, and engineers.	450,000	
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	450,000	

14. Program Performance



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

The purpose of this funding is to convert an existing septic system to a sewer system operated by the City of Daytona Beach. With a history of heavy rains from hurricanes and other weather systems, the sewer system will be able to handle heavy rains and wastewater which can overwhelm a septic system. Additionally maintenance of a sewer system is much less than that of a septic system.

An environmentally-friendly sewer system will afford the veterans at the facility a better and safer quality of life.

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

The project has been planned and designed by appropriate architects, contractor, and engineers. With the funding, the appropriate permits will be secured and construction and connection activities will be performed to convert the septic system to sewer system.

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

The direct service will be access to a sewer system rather than the current septic system. With a more reliable system designed to handle large amounts of water, more consistent performance is expected during heavy rainfall and/or periods of high water usage. This project is consistent with the State's Septic to Sewer Conversion Project. It will protect properties, health, and natural areas.

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

The target population for this project is homeless veterans living at the Barracks of Hope, a transitional housing facility owned and operated by Halifax Urban Ministries, a non-profit assisting this population to achieve housing stability. The facility has 20 single, private bedrooms with private bathrooms. During an average year, approximately 75 veterans are provided housing and support services to allow them to become more independent.

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

be measured?

The expected benefit is higher performance system of handling waste water and managing water flow. The sewer system will be more environmentally-friendly than the current septic system. The success of the project will be measured by the successful connection to the City of Daytona Beach's sewer system.

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 deliverables will be met.

15. Requester Contact Information

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b. Organization	Halifax Urban Ministries, Board Chairman		
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16. Recipient Contact Information

- a. Organization Halifax Urban Ministries
- b. Municipality and County Volusia
- c. Organization Type
 - □For Profit Entity

☑Non Profit 501(c)(3)



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17. Lobbyist Contact Information				
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Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

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

d. Phone Number

☑ N/A

19. 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

20. What is the status of construction?

The planning and design is completed

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?



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0%

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2024