



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1869

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Jackson Health System is building a 124-bed adult and pediatric emergency department facility at Jackson Memorial Hospital. The proposal seeks to fortify Jackson Memorial's emergency facilities, which are a primary access point for care and a critical healthcare resource in the region. By addressing existing vulnerabilities, Jackson Memorial would enhance the overall safety and functionality of the Emergency Department and its capacity to mitigate the impact of natural hazard risks associated with environmental factors and natural disasters. Jackson Health System is seeking \$50 million of non-recurring general revenue to assist in this project. This request represents approximately 16 percent of the \$300 million project cost.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	20,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	20,000,000

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)	20,000,000	7%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	280,000,893	93%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	300,000,893	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.

No other funding options

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.

Phase 1- \$75,197,680.09, Phase 2- \$33,985,860.42, Phase 3- \$806,914.77, Phase 4- \$4,396,646.84 Total \$25,256,457 for uninsured patients FY 20-22

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

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?

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.

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/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	New Construction	20,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		20,000,000

14. Program Performance

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

The renovation and expansion of the ED will strengthen Jackson Health's emergency facilities by addressing existing vulnerabilities related to patient surge and disaster response. The project will ensure that Jackson Memorial's emergency department will have a highly functional design, advanced technology, and improved clinical operational efficiency, which can lead to improved patient triage, shorter wait times, lower costs, and provide better patient outcomes.



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

Build a future-facing, 124-bed department utilizing the latest evidence-based designs. The facility would house 92 adult, 24 pediatric, and eight triage private patient bays. A fast-track area for low-acuity patients would supplement this design, reducing waiting and treatment times for all patients. Unique patient care areas would be customized for special patient care needs. Contemporary flexible designs would allow these areas to be repurposed as needed to meet the needs of differing patient populations, diagnoses related clinical requirements, or distressed community circumstances, such as environmental or weather events.

A second phase, currently unfunded, would include a new diagnostic imaging center, complete with CT, MRI, digital radiography, and ultrasound. The third and final phase would add a second floor with 50 observation and treatment rooms, further improving clinical efficiency and readiness.

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

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

Jackson Health plays a critical role in the lives and overall welfare of the community it serves. This includes those with medically complex or chronic conditions and marginalized populations such as minorities, children, the elderly, the homeless, victims of crime, and individuals with mental health and substance use disorders.

Highly disadvantaged communities surround the system's flagship facility, Jackson Memorial Hospital. Individuals from these high-need, low-income, densely populated neighborhoods are often uninsured and experience multiple socioeconomic barriers to health care. Many access care through the Emergency Department (ED). Of the approximately 2.8 million people who live in Miami-Dade County, 20 percent live below 100% of the federal poverty level and over 16 percent are uninsured. In 2019, Jackson Memorial's ED treated 117,943 patients, mostly Medicaid beneficiaries (36.7%) and the uninsured (35.4%).

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

Jackson Memorial's current emergency department hosts more than 100,000 patient visits per year, nearly 300 per day. The layout is a patchwork of seven wards for adults and one other for children, which combine to house 77 adult and 20 pediatric exam spaces. While some are private rooms, most are cramped bays separated from each other by curtains - a setup with poor privacy, little space to function and poor barriers for infection. This is exacerbated because constant security escorts are required for patients under the jurisdiction of the Baker Act, police, or Miami-Dade Corrections & Rehabilitation. There would be profoundly positive operating-cost reductions related to staffing efficiencies and improvements throughout.

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?

Withhold monies.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. Recipient Contact Information



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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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number