



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2856

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

Purpose Built Florida is a collaborative effort among nonprofits Lift Orlando, LIFT Jax, Northend RISE, and South City Foundation to advance prosperity in underserved Florida neighborhoods. Influenced by the national model of Purpose Built Communities, these Florida nonprofits work with local residents, community partners, business leaders, and city officials to strategically invest in resources surrounding housing, education, health and wellness, and economic development that empower families to thrive. This one-time funding request will support Purpose Built Florida by strengthening operations for each nonprofit. Their place-based approach is highly localized, focusing their neighborhood revitalization efforts on communities with historic disinvestment and concentrated poverty including Jacksonville's East Side (LIFT Jax), The Communities of West Lakes in Orlando (Lift Orlando), the North End of West Palm Beach (Northend RISE), and South City in Tallahassee (South City Foundation).

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	2,500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	2,500,000

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)	2,500,000	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	2,500,000	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.**
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10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

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

Lift Orlando will serve as the entity to receive and disburse funds. Lift Orlando received PPP funds in the amount of \$341,223. These funds were used to pay salaries.

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	Funding will support operations for Purpose Built Florida nonprofits Lift Orlando, LIFT Jax, Northend RISE, and South City Foundation to employ resources needed to sustain their work and support growth, while supporting staff capacity and community engagement. Funding will secure suitable council and technical assistance for the development of vital infrastructure by equipping each nonprofit for the pursuit of investments in target neighborhoods.	2,200,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Funding will support operational costs for Purpose Built Florida nonprofits Lift Orlando, LIFT Jax, Northend RISE, and South City Foundation that are related to expenses incurred through collaboration among Purpose Built Florida nonprofits and sharing with new communities, including travel, equipment, and supplies. Such collaboration will advance the mission of all Purpose Built Florida nonprofits, which is influenced by the national model of Purpose Built Communities. Purpose Built Communities	300,000



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Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,500,000

14. Program Performance

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

Funding will support Purpose Built Florida nonprofits Lift Orlando, LIFT Jax, Northend RISE, and South City Foundation. Their joint goal is to address the root causes of generational poverty in low-income Florida communities to create strong and stable neighborhoods that widen pathways to prosperity for all residents to live healthy and fulfilling lives. Their two-generation approach to neighborhood revitalization intentionally invests in neighborhoods as holistic ecosystems to ensure the long-term well-being of children and families. This approach is grounded in collaboration and works to address social determinants within neighborhoods by providing children with educational tools, resources, and support; providing services to parents and guardians to create and sustain a safe and stable home environment; and empowers residents and resident leaders to transform their community. Funding will enable these nonprofits to sustain and grow their vital work within their local communities.

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

Funding will support the operations of Purpose Built Florida nonprofits Lift Orlando, LIFT Jax, Northend RISE, and South City Foundation. These nonprofits build and sustain cross-sector collaborations in their communities with local residents, community partners, business leaders, and city officials. They serve as leaders in their regional partnership collectives, who work to create and invest in innovative solutions, infrastructure, activities, and services in housing, education, health and wellness, and economic development. In each community, funds will further the development and implementation of 1) strategies to leverage new policies and funding for affordable housing; 2) educational pathways that ensure student growth, learning, and achievement at every level; 3) high-quality facilities, programs, and services that enhance health and quality of life; and/or 4) create local and regional initiatives that stimulate neighborhood economies and increase income levels for families.

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

Funding will provide a range of direct services and resources in housing, education, health and wellness, and economic development that is customized to the needs of each individual Florida community. These resources are developed alongside community partnerships, led by Purpose Built Florida nonprofits, that leverage neighborhood assets in each community. This may include, but is not limited to, early learning services, financial wellness programming and mentorships, community wellness surveys, small business workshops and mentorships, K-8 literacy programs, wellness programming, affordable housing solutions, workforce training, trade education opportunities, and more. To ensure that services provided still meet residents' needs, these nonprofits will continue to actively engage residents through annual surveys, townhall meetings, focus groups, HOA meetings, and more. Such engagement provides residents with opportunities to take a direct part in the revitalization of their community.

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

Purpose Built Florida nonprofits utilize a place-based approach that is highly localized. Their work is focused on specific Florida neighborhoods that are historically underinvested with concentrated generational poverty including The Communities of West Lakes in Orlando (Lift Orlando), Jacksonville's East Side (LIFT Jax), the North End of West Palm Beach (Northend RISE), and South City in Tallahassee (South City Foundation). When combined, these nonprofits and this project will impact approximately 27,000 residents in four Florida communities. These neighborhoods are home to an average 85% residents of color and a population with an average 76% Low-to-Moderate Income (LMI) and an average median household income of \$32,245. These communities have historic significance within their regions and are rich in culture, legacy, and pride. These four nonprofits work alongside residents and partners to bring people together to build a brighter future for children and families in Florida.

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



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Purpose Built Florida's nonprofits strengthen neighborhoods by directly addressing the root causes of generational poverty. Such work serves as a magnifying lens that focuses a region's resources around the most high-priority neighborhoods to stabilize residents by supporting better-quality housing, education, healthcare, and economic development. Such work aims to serve as a replicable model in other communities statewide, offering all families an accessible pathway toward self-sufficiency. Methodologies by which outcomes are measured vary and are determined by each nonprofit based on resources within each individual community. Methodologies may include, but are not limited to, needs assessments, community feedback, resident surveys, focus groups, and partner reports that provide metrics such as graduation rates, Kindergarten readiness, program participation, poverty levels, per capita income, owner occupier housing, chronic disease medication index, and more.

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?

Lift Orlando will serve as the entity to receive and disburse funds. If the organization fails to meet deliverables or performance measures, they will be subject to submitting a performance improvement plan with measurable outcomes bound by timelines and a formal review.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. 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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address



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d. Phone Number