



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 3415

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Gadsden County Sheriff Public Safety Interoperability Project is an initiative to provide greater law enforcement services to the citizens of Gadsden County during an occurrence of man-made or natural disaster. The implementation of this project will provide adequate tools and equipment required for Law Enforcement Officers to effectively respond to calls during periods of incremental weather conditions. This project implementation will provide greater accessible to disaster-stricken areas in the county. During the recent Hurricane we experienced challenging situations that caused us to re-evaluate our processes, tools and equipment needed to effectively serve our community.

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	600,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	600,000

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)	600,000	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	600,000	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.

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.

We were an indirect recipient of federal assistance through our BOCC (1.5 Million) for overtime due to staff shortages, employee death and sickness, attributed to COVID-19, and office closures- First Responders Salaries (Hazards Pay), COVID-19 replacement vehicles and communication equipment for Law Enforcement, Fire and EMS.

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	Mobile Command Unit for Law Enforcement ops. fully equipped1 @ \$600,000	600,000
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)		600,000

14. Program Performance

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

The goal achieved will be a reduction in the response time for calls for service and accessibility during emergencies, man-made, or natural disasters. The purpose of the requested funds for this equipment is to allow greater accessibility to areas in this rural county that have limited access without specialized equipment.



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

This funding will support search and rescue and law enforcement operations in emergencies and natural disasters.

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

This project will provide search and rescue and evacuation services to citizens.

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

The target population to be served is county-wide. The total population for Gadsden County is 43,058, the total number of individuals 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?

This project will prevent loss of life during emergencies, man-made or natural disasters. Performance is measured by comparing the fatality rate during disasters.

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 suggested penalty for failing to meet deliverables or performance is denying future funding until corrective actions are implemented.

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



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17. Lobbyist Contact Information

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