



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3012

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The requested funds will be utilized to complete the shovel-ready construction of the Dixie County Sheriff's Office Multipurpose Evidence Building. This new facility will provide a secure, accredited space specifically designed for the storage of local, state, and federal evidence. Currently, evidence is being stored in a portable building, which does not meet the needs for long-term, organized storage. The new evidence building will ensure that all evidence is stored properly, helping to improve the efficiency of law enforcement operations and enhancing public safety. In addition to its primary role as an evidence storage facility, the building will also function as a training site.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,300,000
Total State Funds Requested	1,300,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,300,000	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 2025-2026	1,300,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	1,000,000	1281A	No

9. Is future-year 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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Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

10. 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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

7/1/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/30/2026

e. What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?

Local funds and labor will be used for any maintenance needs.

11. 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 Dixie County Board of County Commissioners has ownership of the property where the facility will be, and the Dixie County Sheriff's Office Multipurpose Evidence Building will be in operation on the property.

12. 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		
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	Construction of the Dixie County Sheriff's Office Evidence Building. This is the final phase of the project and funding will allow for the completion of the project.	1,300,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,300,000

13. Program Performance

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



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

Construction of the Dixie County Sheriff's Office Evidence Building. This is the final phase of the project and funding will allow for the completion of the project.

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

Completion of this project will ensure that citizens are aware evidence is being collected and stored in a secure location, giving residents and law enforcement more peace of mind when solving cases. It will also ensure that interviews are conducted in a secure location.

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

Drug users (in health services), currently or formerly incarcerated persons, drug offenders (in criminal justice), victims of crime, and the general public. Over 800 individuals are expected 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?

With evidence being stored in a secure location, peace of mind will be provided to all involved. We can measure this through a series of surveys and questionnaires to study the mental health improvement of Dixie County residents.

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 in the contract?

If appropriated, Dixie County will ensure that all deliverables and performance measures set forth in the funding agreement are met. These measures will include engaging a compliance/project management team to work with County staff to oversee administration and compliance of the appropriated funds.

14. Is this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster?

a. If Yes, what phase best describes the project?

- ☐ Mitigation (reducing or eliminating potential loss of life or property)
- ☐ Response (addressing the immediate and short-term effects of a natural disaster)
- ☐ Recovery (assisting communities return to normal operations, including rebuilding damaged infrastructure)

b. Name of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):

15. Has the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:



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b. Provide the total project cost listed on the FEMA project worksheet:

16. Has the entity applied for or received state assistance for this project (other than this request)?

- ☐ Yes, Applied
- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

a. If yes, specify the program and state agency (ex. Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan, Department of Commerce):

17. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

18. 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 Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name



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b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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