



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2025-2026

LFIR # 3261

1. Project Title

Charlotte County - Education Way/Murdock Circle and Education Way/Cochran Intersection Improvements

2. Senate Sponsor

Ben Albritton

3. Date of Request

2/20/2025

4. Project/Program Description

Design and reconstruct the existing concrete strain pole/span wire intersection with hurricane resistant mast arm traffic signal structures at Education Way & Murdock Circle and Education Way & Cochran Boulevard and install UPS battery back-ups.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Transportation

State Agency contacted?

No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	2,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	2,500,000

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)	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 2025-2026	2,500,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

No

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

No

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

Complete questions 10 and 11 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects



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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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

10/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

04/01/2026

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

Charlotte County Public Works

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.

Charlotte County Public Works

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	Design and reconstruct the existing concrete strain pole/span wire intersection with hurricane resistant mast arm traffic signal structures and install UPS battery backups at Education Way & Murdock Circle and Education Way & Cochran Blvd.	2,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,500,000

13. Program Performance

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

Improve and harden Charlotte County intersection with hurricane resistant mast arm traffic signal structures and install battery backups at Education Way & Murdock Circle and Education Way & Cochran Blvd.

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

Charlotte County Public Works will be managing these funds to ensure proper usage.

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



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Replace concrete pole, span wire mounted traffic signal with more hurricane resilient mast arm supports and install UPS battery backups. Mast arm supports withstand the damaging effects of hurricane force winds on traffic signals. Operational traffic signal after a hurricane improves safety to the motoring public, decreases vehicle collisions, and free's up law enforcements need to control traffic.

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

Florida drivers and Charlotte County residents

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

Increased traffic flow and significant reduction in possible serious injuries. Reviewing year-to-year vehicle crash history.

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?

Failure to meet deliverables would lead to forfeiture of the remaining balance and/or reimbursement

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

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):

Hurricanes Helene and Milton

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#:

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



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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) Local Government

d. First Name Last Name
e. E-mail Address
f. Phone Number Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name
b. Firm Name
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.