



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1007

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The funds will expand emergency shelter capacity by facilitating the number of meals prepared on a daily basis and during emergency situations requiring shelter. The kitchen renovation modernizes a 50 year old industrial kitchen. The modernized kitchen will be capable of producing 324 specialized meals, 50+ staff meals and 216 snacks per day, supply storage, and diverse dietary needs. This will ensure continued production of required meals during daily operations and emergencies.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,353,777
Total State Funds Requested	1,353,777

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,353,777	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	1,353,777	50%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	2,707,554	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		
2025-26	0	1,471,410	243B	Yes

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.

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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

09/01/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

08/01/2028

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

Capital Budget

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.

Sunrise Community Inc., leases, manages, and maintains 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	Demolition of the 50 year old kitchen, removing all fixtures and appliances, and constructing a fully upgraded commercial kitchen. This includes commercial storage durable, high-quality counter-tops, and high-efficiency commercial grade appliances such as a new stove, refrigerator, and dishwasher.	1,353,777
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,353,777

13. Program Performance

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

The funds will expand emergency shelter capacity by facilitating the number of meals prepared on a daily basis and during emergency situations requiring shelter. The modernized kitchen will be capable of producing 324 specialized meals, 50+ staff meals and 216 snacks per day, supply storage, and diverse dietary needs. This will ensure production of required meals during daily operations in case of a natural or man made disaster.

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



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This project will focus on a person-centered individualized approach to health and wellness that will benefit people with intellectual, physical and development disabilities. These services encompass specialized diet plans, meal preparation, health and wellness monitoring, and at least 2 weeks of emergency supplies and meals in case of a natural or man made disaster.

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

This project will focus on a person-centered individualized approach to health and wellness that will benefit people with intellectual, physical and development disabilities. These services encompass specialized diet plans, meal preparation, health and wellness monitoring, and at least 2 weeks of emergency supplies and meals in case of a natural or man made disaster.

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

The project serves people with intellectual, physical and developmental disabilities, those with dietary restrictions (diabetes, cardiac, renal, gastrointestinal issues, allergies), and the staff supporting them. It directly benefits over 100+ individuals by providing therapeutic meals, snacks, and supplements. Within that number, approximately 35 of our residents require feeding tube nutrition. This project will also provide nutritional services to the Eureka Day Program with daily meal and supply services along with on demand dietary support to other Sunrise Community homes across South Florida. Persons supported include elderly persons, persons with poor mental health, medically fragile, and children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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

The expected benefits include documentation of improved nutrition, education on health and wellness, culinary classes, education on good eating habits and enhanced safety measures to include: Stable blood sugars and blood pressure, healthy resting heart rate, cholesterol levels and weight ranges, positive emotions, sense of purpose, connections to others, increased independence and community integration, and expanded cultural experiences through food.

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?

Funding may be returned to the state.

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



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