



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1154

1. Project Title

Cutler Bay - Legacy Park Brownfield Soil Remediation(Legacy Park Municipal Complex)

2. Senate Sponsor

Alexis Calatayud

3. Date of Request

11/7/2025

4. Project/Program Description

The Town of Cutler Bay seeks \$1,000,000 in match funding for its Brownfield Site Restoration Project at 20951 Old Cutler Road. The project will remove soil contamination across 16 acres to develop Legacy Park & Municipal Complex. Environmental mitigation protects the Biscayne Aquifer (groundwater), which supplies over 5 Million Florida residents drinking water. The project is shovel-ready, in the permitting phase, and aims for remediation completion by December 2027.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Environmental Protection

State Agency contacted?

No

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

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

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)	1,000,000	20%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	3,960,000	80%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	4,960,000	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.



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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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

08/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

02/15/2026

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

Ongoing operations and maintenance will be funded by the Town's General Fund.

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 facility will be owned and operated by the Town of Cutler Bay.

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	Permitting and remediation of soil contamination	1,000,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,000,000

13. Program Performance

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

The project aims to remove and remediate soil contamination across the 16-acre site, ensuring the land is safe for public use.

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

This cleanup effort eliminates heavy metals, pesticides, herbicides, and arsenic, which can pose severe health risks to the community.



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

The new complex will be a central gathering place that will become the heart of the community. It will feature 12 acres of park space and 4 acres of municipal building(s) that will house the Town Hall, a Police Station, and a Community Center with a Pool.

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

The project serves the general population of the Town of Cutler Bay (Approximately 43,000) and surrounding neighborhoods in South Miami-Dade County.

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

The project protects public health through the remediation of harmful toxins in the soil. The project allows the Town to develop the property into the "Legacy Park & Municipal Complex" which will be the central hub of the community. It creates a sense of community, increases access to park space, and attracts new business to the Town's Old Cutler Road commercial district. Benefits will be measured by the completion of the project and tracking of events held at the project site along with tracking new businesses through commercial permits.

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?

The Town will not be reimbursed for project activities that do not meet the deliverables or performance measures.

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#:

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



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- ☐ Yes, Received
- ☐ No
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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)

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



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