



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1324

1. Project Title Winter Park - SR 426 & Denning Drive Intersection Improvements

2. Senate Sponsor Jason Brodeur

3. Date of Request 11/17/2025

#### 4. Project/Program Description

SR 426 is a 14.5 mile long roadway, in Metropolitan Orlando, extending eastward from SR 424 in Orange County to SR 46 in Seminole County. It connects Geneva, Oviedo, Goldenrod, Winter Park, and Fairview Shores, and is a crucial connector to regional arterials SR 434, SR 436, US 17-92, and Interstate 4. Its most congested segment is in the City of Winter Park where it is the primary east-west roadway. A major choke point in that segment is the intersection of SR 426 and Denning Drive where the four-lane roadway has no exclusive left-turn lanes to facilitate eastbound to northbound movements and westbound to southbound movements. As a result, significant bottlenecks often develop and reduce the capacity of the four-lane roadway to or below the capacity of a two-lane roadway. Through the addition of exclusive left-turn lanes, this project will result in significant congestion relief and improved travel safety, as well as much improved response times for first responders.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds Department of Transportation

State Agency contacted? No

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

Type of Funding	Amount
Operating	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,350,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,350,000</b>

#### 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)	1,350,000	31%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	3,000,000	69%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b>	<b>4,350,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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?

01/04/2027

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/25/2027

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

As the facility is SR 426, FDOT will continue to operate and maintain the roadway. The City of Winter Park has acquired, and is providing the needed additional right of way, as a match to facilitate this improvement.

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.

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### 12. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Design, Surveying, & Geo-technical Investigation - 250,000 Construction - 1,000,000 Construction Engineering & Inspection - 100,000	1,350,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,350,000</b>

### 13. Program Performance

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

These funds will result in significant improvement to safety, significant decrease in congestion, and decreased response times for first responders.

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



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Engineering designs and studies, the construction of turn lanes and traffic signal modifications, and project oversight consistent with FDOT's best practices, will be performed.

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

Citizens will benefit from significant safety improvements, much improved travel time, and reduction in response times by First Responders.

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

The target population comprises the residents and businesses in Southeast Seminole County and Northeast Orange County, including a number of incorporated cities. Over 130,000 residents are expected to be served by the improvements.

**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 will include reduction in crashes and injuries, significantly improved travel time for commuters, and reduction to First Responder travel times. Standard Before and After engineering and planning studies, as well as industry standard capacity and level of service analyses will predict and measure the outcomes.

**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?**

Liquidated Damages, as prescribed in FDOT's Standard Specifications, will be used as penalties for contractor failure to meet deliverable and 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)?**



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- ☐ Yes, Applied
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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



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d. Phone Number

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