



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1648

1. Project Title Fort Lauderdale - Triplex Wastewater Pump Station Rehabilitation Project

2. Senate Sponsor Jason Pizzo

3. Date of Request 10/22/2025

4. Project/Program Description

The Comprehensive Utility Strategic Master Plan (CUSMP) guides the repair and rehabilitation of the City's aging triplex pump stations, which are vital for transferring wastewater to treatment facilities. Pump station failure can lead to sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), exposing neighborhoods to untreated wastewater containing dangerous bacteria, viruses, and parasites. Such overflows create immediate threats to public health by increasing the risk of gastrointestinal illness, respiratory infections, and skin conditions, and can also contaminate local water sources and the environment. By investing in modernizing all critical mechanical, electrical, and control systems within these stations, the City directly reduces the likelihood and impact of SSOs, thereby safeguarding community health and ensuring reliable, efficient wastewater service for all residents.

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	3,650,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,650,000

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)	3,650,000	39%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	5,642,900	61%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	9,292,900	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? Yes

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 3,589,275

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

City of Fort Lauderdale general revenue.



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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?

04/01/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/01/2027

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

City of Fort Lauderdale general revenue.

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
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-driven rehabilitation: this investment will address decades of wear and extend the operational life of the facility by 30 years or more. The project will prevent costly structural failures, minimize the risk of sewer overflows, and protect surrounding neighborhoods and waterways. Construction will be sequenced to maintain uninterrupted service	3,650,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,650,000

13. Program Performance

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



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The requested funds will be used to rehabilitate four of the City of Fort Lauderdale's high-priority triplex pump stations, which are critical to the safe and reliable transfer of wastewater to the George T. Lohmeyer Regional Wastewater Facility. The goal is to modernize mechanical, electrical, and control systems in order to prevent sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), protect public health, safeguard groundwater and surface waters, and enhance the City's long-term utility resilience.

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

Activities funded by this appropriation will include the removal and replacement of pumps, valves, suction and discharge piping, electrical and ventilation systems, and protective coatings for wet wells. Structural repairs will also be completed where necessary, and all controls will be relocated outside of the pump stations to ensure accessibility during flood events.

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

The project will provide residents and businesses with reliable and uninterrupted wastewater collection and transfer services, ensuring that sewage is consistently routed to the treatment facility and disposed of properly. By reducing the likelihood of SSOs, citizens will benefit from fewer health risks, decreased neighborhood flooding linked to system failures, and cleaner local waterways.

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

The target population includes residents, businesses, and visitors within the service areas of the four prioritized pump stations (B-11, A-31, A-22, and A-29), as well as the wider City of Fort Lauderdale community that depends on a resilient wastewater system. It is estimated that tens of thousands of residents and businesses will directly benefit from these improvements, with citywide benefits reaching over 180,000 residents and millions of annual visitors.

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 reduced sanitary sewer overflows, fewer costly emergency interventions, improved groundwater and surface water quality, enhanced flood resilience, and reduced long-term maintenance costs. Outcomes will be measured by tracking reductions in SSOs, system failures, and flood-related service disruptions compared with historical data.

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 penalty for failing to meet the deliverables or performance measures will require the City to refund the funding back 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



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☐ 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

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

Please complete questions 17 through 21 for Water Projects only.

17. Have you been awarded or applied for alternative state funding for this project?

☐ Water Quality Improvement Grant Program

☐ Resilient Florida Grant Program

☐ Wastewater Revolving Loan

☐ Drinking Water Revolving Loan

☐ Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant

☐ Other (please specify, ex. Alternative Water Supply Grants)

☒ N/A

18. What is the population economic status?

☐ Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)

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☐ Rural Area of Economic Concern

☐ Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)



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☒ N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

Construction is scheduled to begin 04/01/2026.

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

None, construction is not scheduled to begin until 04/01/2026.

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/01/2027

22. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name
b. Organization
c. E-mail Address
d. Phone Number Ext.

23. 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.

24. Lobbyist Contact Information

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



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