



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1664

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Lighthouse Point is a small residential community and faces challenges in securing funding for large projects. Funds will provide for the construction phase of the NE 31 Court Bridge replacement. The bridge is over 50 years old, and has undergone multiple repairs. Due to the extremely aggressive marine environment, the bridge will continue to deteriorate. The NE 31 Court Bridge serves as a single point of access and hurricane evacuation route to many City residents.

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	3,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>3,000,000</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)	3,000,000	59%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	2,100,000	41%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b>	<b>5,100,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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		

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)?

No

##### c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

12/1/2027

##### d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/31/2028

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

The City will use general funds for ongoing operations and maintenance of the NE 31 Court Bridge once it is replaced.

#### 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 NE 31 Court Bridge is City-owned.

#### 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	The City will procure the services of a general contractor certified in bridge replacement and all related areas of work.	3,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>3,000,000</b>

#### 13. Program Performance

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

The project will provide funding for the replacement of the NE 31 Court Bridge. The bridge serves as the single point of access and hurricane evacuation route to many residential households. The project includes the total replacement of the existing bridge resulting in a new resilient structure.

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

The bridge provides the sole access and evacuation route for City residents. A structural failure could endanger lives and leave residents isolated during a severe weather event.

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



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Residents living in the island community will benefit from a new, resilient bridge that ensures safe access during significant weather events and eliminates concerns about structural failure due to the bridge's age.

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

City of Lighthouse Point residents with 25 households living on the island community. Emergency responders will have access these residents via the new bridge, which will allow them to provide emergency services to these residences.

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

A new, resilient bridge will be constructed, providing a service life of approximately 75 years under current building codes.

**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 will result in return of funds to the administering agency.

**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
- ☐ 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) 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.*