



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1668

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

As a community located on a barrier island, the Town of Golden Beach is consistently inundated with storm, tidal and ground water. Flood waters greatly impact the navigable state evacuation route for the barrier island communities. Within the community there are (3) islands. The southern most island is at the towns lowest elevation and currently relies on gravity to discharge storm water. We hope to enhance our storm water collection system already in place by installing a permanent forced storm water pump to the existing system, converting from gravity to forced. The forced system will reduce the possibility of illicit discharges from sewage systems that can greatly affect the surrounding pristine water bodies flowing into the Ocean, Intra-coastal, and Biscayne Bay.

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	60,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	840,000
Total State Funds Requested	900,000

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)	900,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	900,000	50%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	1,800,000	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		

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.



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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?

10/23/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

10/23/2027

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

Town storm water 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.

Town of Golden Beach - Alexander Diaz, Town Manager

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	Civil Engineering	60,000
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	Installation of a forced storm water pump. Converting the existing gravity system to forced.	840,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		900,000

13. Program Performance

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

Mitigate flooding on South Island

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

Planning, Permitting, and installation of a new forced storm water pump station.

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



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Relief from flood conditions that will allow ease of access for emergency vehicles and reduction of damage to private and town property. Reduction in possibility of illicit discharge from sewage systems that can flow into surrounding water bodies.

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

Residents of Golden Beach and surrounding communities. There are (365) households in Golden Beach.

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

A forced system will allow the swift discharge of flood water and avoid the possibility of illicit discharge from sewage systems. The system will allow for a reduction of damage to property by greatly reducing the time of standing water in our roads and right of ways.

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?

Refund of monies received.

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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☐ 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)
- ☐ Financially Disadvantaged Municipality (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
- ☐ Rural Area of Economic Concern
- ☐ Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- ☒ N/A

19. What is the status of construction?

Planning.

20. What percentage of the construction has been completed?

Zero.

21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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22. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address



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Ext. 242

23. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization Town of Golden Beach

b. Municipality and County Miami-Dade

c. Organization Type

☐ For Profit Entity

☐ Non Profit 501(c)(3)

☐ Non Profit 501(c)(4)

☒ Local Entity

☐ University or College

☐ Other (please specify)

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