



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1685

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Lord's Place currently houses 37 families, with a total of 70 children, at its Family Campus. These children and families would have otherwise continued to be homeless. We have an opportunity to create an environment that will foster youth development activities and a sense of normalcy for these children. A new youth center would allow us space to have tutoring, a community kitchen where we could teach families how to cook, and have recreational space for the children to learn and grow.

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	500,000
Total State Funds Requested	500,000

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)	500,000	50%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	500,000	50%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	1,000,000	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.

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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

7/1/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

6/30/2027

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

The Lord's Place will seek private donations and local funding for the operations and maintenance of the Youth Center.

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 Family Campus is owned by The Lord's Place.

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	Site development, facility construction, permits, testing and surveying, contractor fees, etc.	500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		500,000

13. Program Performance

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

The Lord's Place is seeking funding to build a small youth center on its family campus that houses 37 families, including 70 school aged youth. The facility would provide a safe place for children to get additional academic supports, engage in healthy play, and be provided with healthy snacks/meals during out of school time.

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

A new youth center would allow us space to have tutoring, life skills classes, a community kitchen where families can learn how to cook, and have recreational space for the children to learn and grow. Other youth development and prosocial activities will take place at the youth center throughout the week as well.



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

Minimally 70 children will receive education and youth development services (not covered by this request). This will divert children from at-risk behaviors and provide a sense of normalcy for children that would have otherwise been homeless.

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

School aged children who would otherwise be homeless, who are economically disadvantaged and at-risk.

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

Children residing at The Lord's Place Family Campus will have the opportunity to attend the youth center during out of school time, receive tutoring services and academic supports, life skills sessions, healthy eating demonstrations, and prosocial activities. This will keep youth out of trouble and safe while their parents work toward economic self-sufficiency. Each child's grades and academic progress will be tracked, as well as their attendance to the youth center each day/week.

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?

Return unused funding.

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
- ☐ No, but intends to apply

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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