



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1718

1. Project Title Pasco County Rangeland Boulevard Extension

2. Senate Sponsor Ed Hooper

3. Date of Request 11/3/2025

4. Project/Program Description

The proposed Rangeland Boulevard Extension is a critical infrastructure initiative aimed at enhancing regional mobility and local access, safety, emergency response and evacuation operations, and multimodal connectivity in central Pasco County. This project involves the construction of a new 3.4-mile urban roadway segment, designed as a four-to six-lane facility, extending from the current terminus of Rangeland Boulevard to the existing roundabout at Bexley Village Drive, located east of the Suncoast Parkway (SR 589).

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	4,500,000
Total State Funds Requested	4,500,000

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)	4,500,000	37%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	7,800,000	63%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	12,300,000	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. 4,500,000

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

Mobility Fees, Tax Increment Funding, Second Local Option Fuel Tax

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?

10/01/2030

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

09/30/2032

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

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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	Design and Post Design Services of Rangeland Blvd Extension	4,500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		4,500,000

13. Program Performance

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



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The funds requested will be used to complete the design and post-design services necessary to advance the Rangeland Boulevard Extension project to construction readiness. This includes developing detailed engineering plans, securing environmental permits, coordinating with utility providers, and supporting construction through technical oversight.

The ultimate goal is to deliver a shovel-ready infrastructure project that will:

- Improve regional mobility by creating a new east-west corridor in central Pasco County.
- Enhance public safety by reducing emergency response and evacuation times.
- Support multimodal transportation options for pedestrians, cyclists, and transit users.
- Accommodate future growth by providing a four- to six-lane urban roadway that meets long-term transportation demands.

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

The design and post-design services will provide a set of Final Plans that will advance the project to construction readiness.

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

The project will provide: improved transportation access and public safety, evacuation route support, multi-modal travel options, and support for economic growth.

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

Pasco County Citizens, over 1,000 citizens are expected to be served.

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

This project will improve transportation conditions for commuters and families and will minimize travel times and alleviate traffic congestion. The project will provide contractors, engineers, and consultants immediate job opportunities. By generating direct job opportunities for consultants, contractors, suppliers, service providers, and other professionals, the project will have a positive impact on the local economy.

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?

Reversion of funds.

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



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☐ 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):

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



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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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