



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1759

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The proposed renovation site at 6015 Pointe West Blvd. Bradenton, FL was constructed in 1998 as an ambulatory surgery center (ASC) that ceased to operate. Upon MCR leasing the facility with plans to operate an ASC and bring much needed access to care to the uninsured and underinsured, the licensure requirements changed. MCR must renovate a portion of the facility to comply with Florida statutes and improve access to care for the underserved.

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	807,124
Fixed Capital Outlay	1,992,876
Total State Funds Requested	2,800,000

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)	2,800,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	2,800,000	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.

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?

07/27/2026

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

01/04/2027

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

MCR will utilize revenues generated from the use of the ambulatory surgery center as well as other grant funding received from Health Resources Services Administration's Federally Qualified Health Center grant and other grants

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.

MCR has a long term lease with VB Investments, LLC, who is the owner of the facility. Funding for this project would be provided to MCR who will manage the renovation.

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	Construction soft costs to include architect and engineering, permits, project management, insurance, contingency	807,124
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Renovation of existing facility to reconfigure pre-op/recovery and support area, reconfigure waiting room, reception area and office, reconfigure storage, equipment and linen rooms. Upgrade AC and new fixed generator. The proposed revisions will meet ambulatory surgery center license requirements.	1,992,876
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		2,800,000

13. Program Performance

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



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

The facility will be renovated to address licensure improvements. Once completed, the location will provide an additional access point for needed surgical procedures, specifically for the target population. The ASC is a less expensive alternative to uninsured, underinsured, Medicaid and commercial plans than having certain procedures conducted at a hospital. The less expensive option creates the opportunity, especially for those who are uninsured and underinsured, to elect to have earlier diagnostic and surgical procedures performed.

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

Once renovated, MCR will offer an access point for any person in the community needing non emergent services specifically the target population. Specialty services include, but are not be limited to cardiology, podiatry, dermatology, gynecology and gastroenterology. Offering these services at an ASC would be less expensive for the uninsured, underinsured, Medicaid and commercial plans than at an outpatient hospital setting. For example, at an ASC a diagnostic colonoscopy for an uninsured patient is estimated at \$1,245 where the rate at a local Manatee County hospital for an uninsured is \$8,156.

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

All residents will have access to services provided. As a Federally Qualified Health Center, MCR offers its services regardless of the persons ability to pay and offers a sliding fee discount program for office visits. It is estimated approximately 13,000 patients will receive services at the location from specialty providers. Those who are identified as needing surgical procedures will be scheduled at MCR's ASC rather than the hospital.

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

The benefit would be realized after the renovation is completed and an access point is established to provide services to the target population - uninsured and underinsured. The project outcome can be measured through receipt of the certificate of occupancy issued by Manatee County Government and receipt of the license to operate an ASC issued by the State of Florida.

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?

Penalty would be imposed if MCR does not inform the contracting agency of construction delays within 30 days of the date MCR was notified of the delay by MCR's general contractor.

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



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- ☐ 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
- ☐ 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



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☐ 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

The information provided will be posted to the Florida Senate website for public viewing if sponsored by a Senator.