

**LFIR # 1838** 

1.	Project Title	Homestead Potab	le Water & Storag	ge Capacity Upgrades			
2.	Senate Sponsor	Ana Maria Rodrigu	lez				
3.	Date of Request	12/5/2025					
4.	Project/Program De	escription					
	The requested funds will construct a new 1.0-million-gallon ground-level drinking water storage tank with booster pumps, inclusive of backup generator, at the Water Treatment Plant near Homestead-Miami Speedway. This will help to expand Homestead's storage capacity, improve system reliability during peak demand and emergencies, and ensure a sustainable, resilient potable water supply for future growth.						
5.	State Agency to rec	eive requested fund	<b>ds</b> Departm	ent of Environmental	Protection		
	State Agency contact	-					
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6.	Amount of the Nonr	ecurring Request to	or Fiscal Year 20	26-2027		1	
	Type of Funding			Amo	unt		
	Operating				0		
	Fixed Capital Outlay			2,000,000			
	Total State Funds R	Requested			2,000,000		
<b>7.</b> '	Total Project Cost fo	or Fiscal Year 2026-	2027 (including	matching funds ava	ilable for this proj	ect)	
	Type of Funding			Amount	Percentage		
	Total State Funds Re	equested (from quest	tion #6)	2,000,000	67%		
	Matching Funds						
	Federal		_	0	0%		
	State (excluding the	amount of this reque	st)	0	0%		
	Local			1,000,000	33%		
	Other			0	0%		
	<b>Total Project Costs</b>	for Fiscal Year 202	6-2027	3,000,000	100%		
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8.	Has this project pre	viously received st	ate funding?	No 3,000,000	100 /6		
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8.	Has this project pre If yes, provide the n	eviously received st most recent instanc Amou	ate funding? e:	No Specific	Vetoed		
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10.	Status of Constr	uction						
	a. What is the cui	rrent phase of t	the project?					
	<ul><li>Planning</li></ul>	O Design	Construction	O N/A				
	b. Is the project "	'shovel ready"	(i.e permitted)?	No				
	c. What is the est	timated start da	ate of construction?	12/01/2026				
	d. What is the est	timated comple	etion date of construc	10/01/2029				
	e. What funding s	What funding stream will be used for ongoing operations and maintenance of the project?						
	City's CIP Budge	City's CIP Budget						
11	relationship bet	outlay funding. Include t	:he					
	City of Homeste	City of Homestead						

### 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	Requested funds will be used for the design and construction of a new 1.0-million-gallon ground-level drinking water storage tank with booster pumps, inclusive of backup generator, at the Water Treatment Plant at Wittkop Park (total: 1,600,00.00.) Salary for Project Management (\$50,000.00) and Contract Services related to the project's scope (\$350,000.00) Total funding request is \$2,000,000.00	2,000,000				
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) 2,000,00						

### 13. Program Performance

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

The requested funds will construct a new 1.0-million-gallon ground-level drinking water storage tank with booster pumps, inclusive of backup generator, at the Water Treatment Plant near Homestead-Miami Speedway to expand Homestead's storage capacity, improve system reliability during peak demand and emergencies, and ensure a sustainable, resilient potable water supply for future growth.



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

Requested funds will be used for the design and construction of a new 1.0-million-gallon ground-level drinking water storage tank with booster pumps, inclusive of backup generator, at the Water Treatment Plant near Homestead-Miami Speedway

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

Thousands of residents will benefit from this project resulting in measurable improvements such as fewer water quality violations, reduced risk of contamination events, and maintained compliance with drinking water standards.

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

The general public will be served by this project and will serve thousands of residents.

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

An increase in storage and pumping capacity that stabilizes system pressure and reduces vulnerability to disruptions, resulting in measurable improvements such as fewer water quality violations, reduced risk of contamination events, and maintained compliance with drinking water standards. An increase in storage and pumping capacity that stabilizes system pressure and reduces vulnerability to disruptions, resulting in measurable improvements such as fewer water quality violations, reduced risk of contamination events, and maintained compliance with drinking water standards.

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?

R	evocation and return of funds to agency.
4. Is 1	this project related to mitigation, response, or recovery from a natural disaster? No
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 infastructure)
b. N	lame of the natural disaster (or Executive Order # for events not under a federal declaration):
5. Ha	s the entity applied for or received federal assistance for this project?
	Yes, Applied
	Yes, Received
	No
	No, but intends to apply
	yes, provide the FEMA project worksheet ID#:
a. If	) 00, provide the report workeness 12 //



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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):
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)
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□ 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?
0%
21. What is the estimated completion date of construction?



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22.	<b>Requester Contact</b>	Informat	ion						
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	c. Organization Ty	ре							
	□For Profit Entity	ty							
	□Non Profit 501(c	2)(3)							
	□Non Profit 501(c	:)(4)							
	☑Local Entity								
	□University or Co	niversity or College							
	□Other (please specify)								
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