



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1909

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Town of Windermere seeks funding for design and planning for intersection improvements at Chase Road and Main Street to enhance traffic flow, safety, and accessibility. Both Main Street and 6th Avenue are operating more than 75% over their designed capacity, causing daily congestion, long delays, and unsafe turning movements. The project includes roadway widening, upgraded signage, improved pavement markings, enhanced lighting, and new pedestrian crossings. Drainage enhancements will also support stormwater management. These upgrades will relieve congestion, improve navigation, and create safer conditions for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians at this key intersection, ensuring long-term infrastructure reliability and access.

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	678,000
Total State Funds Requested	678,000

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)	678,000	80%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	169,500	20%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	847,500	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?

07/01/2027

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

07/01/2028

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

Town of Windermere's Public Works budget.

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 Planning	678,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		678,000

13. Program Performance

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

The requested funds will address severe congestion and safety issues at the Chase Road and Main Street intersection. Main Street and 6th Avenue operate at over 75% beyond their designed capacity, causing daily backups and hazardous turning movements. Proposed improvements include roadway widening, upgraded lighting, signage, pavement markings, pedestrian crossings, and enhanced drainage to support stormwater management. These upgrades will relieve congestion, improve safety, and ensure long-term infrastructure reliability and access

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



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The project will include roadway widening, installation of upgraded signage, improved pavement markings, and enhanced lighting to improve visibility. Pedestrian crossings will be added to ensure accessibility. Drainage improvements will be implemented to manage stormwater effectively. Engineering, design, and construction services will oversee the project's implementation, ensuring the intersection's safety, efficiency, and accessibility for all users, including motorists, pedestrians, and cyclists.

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

The project will provide improved traffic flow, reduced congestion, and enhanced safety at the Chase Road and Main Street intersection. Upgrades will include better signage, lighting, and pedestrian crossings. Drainage improvements will reduce flooding risks. These enhancements will ensure safer and more efficient travel for Windermere residents, commuters, cyclists, and pedestrians, benefiting daily users of this critical intersection.

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

The target population includes Windermere residents, commuters, local businesses, and visitors who travel through the Chase and Main intersection. This intersection serves as a key access point in the town's roadway network. The project is expected to benefit thousands of individuals daily by improving traffic flow, safety, and accessibility, ultimately enhancing the overall transportation experience for both motorists and pedestrians in the area.

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

The project will reduce congestion, improve traffic flow, and enhance safety for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians at the Chase Road and Main Street intersection. These improvements will also support emergency response access and promote more efficient regional mobility. The outcomes will be measured through pre- and post-construction traffic studies, including level of service (LOS) analysis, travel time data, and crash rate comparisons to quantify safety and operational improvements.

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?

Liquidated Damages or non-reimbursement for non-conformance or compliance.

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#:



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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

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number Ext.

19. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name



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b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number

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