



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1986

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

The Senior Program will support high quality, low-cost events and nutrition for seniors. The program will provide weekly activities through shuttle bus transportation, credentialed and courteous staff services, social interaction, recreational outings, health fairs, exercise and nutrition. This program will minimize service delivery gaps for our senior population who may suffer from depression, anxiety, loneliness and other ailments that plague our elderly residents. The majority of this population is low-to-moderate income Seniors that have limited resources, and desire to be active members of this community.

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	400,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	400,000

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)	400,000	80%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	100,000	20%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027	500,000	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		
2025-26	0	400,000	386	No

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)?

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

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

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.

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	This portion of the budget will cover salary and benefits for staff member administering the Senior Citizen Program at the center. These costs will include Program Administrator, Recreational Program Aide and Transportation Driver.	300,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	These program expenses and equipment include utilities, repairs, cleanup, supplies, materials, equipment and travel costs.	75,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	The contractual services will include presenters, program instructors, and case management services.	25,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		400,000

13. Program Performance

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



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The goal is to minimize service gaps for our seniors who may suffer from depression, anxiety, loneliness and other ailments. This program will enhance the quality of life of our participants by providing much needed activities and services. According to the National Council on Aging (NCOA), studies show senior programs provide numerous benefits in 2025, including improved physical and mental health, reduced healthcare costs, and enhanced social connections. Participants experience lower rates of depression, better cognitive function, and higher life satisfaction.

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

The program will provide weekly activities through shuttle bus transportation, credentialed and courteous staff services, social interaction, recreational outings, health fairs, exercise and nutrition. This program will minimize service gaps for our senior population who may suffer from depression, anxiety, loneliness and other ailments that plague our elderly residents. The program will provide direct services to seniors in the program. Participants will have opportunities to bond and congregate with peers and staff.

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

Senior Program participants will have access to this safe and caring environment. The program will provide weekly activities through shuttle bus transportation, credentialed and courteous staff services, social interaction, recreational outings, health fairs, exercise and nutrition. These Seniors will experience a better quality of life, than if they stay in isolation without the opportunity to engage and interact with peers, staff and guest speakers of the program.

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

Senior residents ages 60 years and older are the target population for this program. With the funding request, we have the capacity to provide direct services and serve approximately 100 Seniors.

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

We expect the outcome to be a safe environment for Seniors to participate in holistic activities within our program. Direct services will be provided. This outcome will be measured by attendance records and participant surveys. By providing a comprehensive program that meets service gaps for Seniors, we can assist them with obtaining a better quality of life. The program can also assist any participants who have experienced loss. We will also provide referral services as needed or when appropriate.

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?

The contract will have standard language that entails compliance, deliverables and reports.

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) Local Government

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

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