



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2026-2027

LFIR # 1987

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

#### 4. Project/Program Description

To construct an Aventura Public Safety Intelligence Center (APSIC) that will transform the efficiency, safety, and effectiveness of policing through advanced technology. This initiative will centralize real-time data and intelligence, enhance officer and community safety by enabling faster response and more informed decision-making, optimize resource allocation to ensure the most effective use of personnel and equipment, and strengthen operational intelligence to improve crime prevention, investigations, and emergency management. The project is specifically designed to address Aventura's unique needs, including the protection of the Aventura Mall—one of the nation's largest retail destinations—and enhanced security for local synagogues and other places of worship. The project includes building a fully equipped APSIC facility, integrating all existing citywide cameras, adding 40 additional cameras and deploying 3 Drone First Responder Units to provide rapid response and awareness.

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	479,389
Fixed Capital Outlay	151,760
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>631,149</b>

#### 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)	631,149	70%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	270,493	30%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027</b>	<b>901,642</b>	<b>100%</b>

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)?

Yes

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

08/01/2025

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

06/01/2026

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

Aventura General Fund

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.

City of Aventura

### 12. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Packetalk Video fusion room video matrix software package - PTVSS/ OCR ALPR Real-time viewing, 50" 4K professional panels, Video matrix controller - hardened system, Video matrix 4k cards inputs and outputs, 24 inches desktop LED's 4k, furnishings, Desktop computers, 8K cameras, modems. 3 Drone first responder units and associated hardware.	479,389
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Aventura Public Safety Intelligence Center (APSIC) Build-out.	151,760
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>631,149</b>

### 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 establish the Aventura Public Safety Intelligence Center (APSIC) and deploy Drone First Responder (DFR) units to enhance public safety, improve officer effectiveness, and strengthen community trust through advanced technology. The APSIC will centralize real-time data and intelligence, giving officers immediate, actionable information that improves response times, decision-making, and resource allocation. Three DFR units will expand capabilities by providing rapid aerial situational awareness, allowing officers to arrive better informed, reduce risks to the public and officers, and increase efficiency in handling critical incidents. These initiatives are especially valuable in protecting high-profile community institutions, including synagogues and Jewish community centers, which are vital to the city's cultural and religious life. These technologies will serve as a force multiplier, enabling proactive crime prevention, & stronger emergency response.

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

The Aventura Police Department will establish a fully equipped Aventura Public Safety Intelligence Center (APSIC) that will centralize data and intelligence from citywide cameras, license plate readers, and other technology platforms to provide officers with real-time situational awareness. The APSIC will deliver continuous monitoring, analytical support, and intelligence-led deployment to enhance crime prevention and investigative efforts, including protection of synagogues and Jewish community centers. In addition, the funds will provide for the purchase and deployment of three Drone First Responder (DFR) units, which will deliver rapid aerial response, live-streamed video to responding officers, and critical over-watch during emergencies or high-risk incidents. Together, these services will improve response times, increase officer and community safety, optimize resource allocation, and expand the department's ability to protect all residents and visitors.

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

The appropriation will provide direct services that enhance the safety, security, and quality of life for Aventura's religious facilities, residents, businesses, and visitors. Through the Aventura Public Safety Intelligence Center (APSIC), citizens will benefit from faster police response times, improved crime deterrence through expanded citywide camera coverage, and more efficient allocation of resources to areas of greatest need. The integration of three DFR units will deliver rapid aerial support to critical incidents, allowing officers to arrive better informed and reducing risks to both the public and first responders. These technologies will directly serve citizens by increasing community safety, improving emergency response capabilities, enhancing traffic and event management, and safeguarding vital institutions such as synagogues and Jewish community centers, including the pedestrian traffic to and from them, while providing greater transparency and accountability in policing.

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

The target population served by this project includes the approximately 40,000 residents of the City of Aventura, along with more than 30 million annual visitors who come to the community for its shopping, entertainment, cultural attractions, and the concentrated, vibrant faith-based institutions such as synagogues and Jewish community centers. The Aventura Public Safety Intelligence Center (APSIC) and Drone First Responder (DFR) program will directly serve these populations by enhancing safety, improving emergency response, and ensuring a secure environment for residents, businesses, and visitors alike. The project will also play a critical role in safeguarding Jewish citizens walking to and from synagogue, particularly during high-attendance services and religious observances. In total, the project is expected to positively impact over 30 million individuals each year while providing continuous protection and support for the city's permanent population.

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

The expected outcome of this project is a safer, more secure community through the deployment of the Aventura Public Safety Intelligence Center (APSIC) and DFR program, which will enhance crime prevention, accelerate emergency response, and improve overall public safety. Key benefits include faster response times, increased situational awareness for officers, expanded citywide surveillance coverage, improved traffic and event management, and a measurable reduction in crime and community risk. Outcomes will be evaluated using response time data, the number of incidents where APSIC and drone intelligence directly supported resolution, crime statistics, and citizen satisfaction surveys. Additional performance metrics will include drone deployments, investigative cases supported, and real-time monitoring hours logged, ensuring accountability and demonstrating tangible impact for residents and the more than 30 million visitors who rely on Aventura for safety and security.

#### **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?**



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Performance bonds will be incorporated into the service contract, ensuring strict deadlines for delivery and specific deliverable items.

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#:

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.



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#### 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

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.*