



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1068

1. **Project Title**
2. **Senate Sponsor**
3. **Date of Request**

4. Project/Program Description

One thousand square foot expansion which is 100% ADA (American Disabilities Act) compliant facility that will allow the American Legion to continue to support the American Legion mission which is to provide volunteer services in our communities, to mentor youth, advocate patriotism, honor and support fellow service members, veterans and community service members. Services include, but are not limited to scholarships, school medals programs, ROTC and JROTC support, Boys and Girl Scouts, Boys and Girls State, Boys and Girls clubs, County 4-H, support for community independence and Veterans Day activities, retirement home visits, funeral honors, PTSD awareness and suicide prevention.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**
- State Agency contacted?**

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	0
Fixed Capital Outlay	150,000
Total State Funds Requested	150,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	150,000	55%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	25,000	9%
Other	100,000	36%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	275,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

Fiscal Year (YYYY-YY)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		

9. **Is future 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.**
- Individual and community donations

10. **Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**



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If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. 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?

12. 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.

13. 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: Other		
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	One thousand square foot expansion which is 100% ADA (American Disabilities Act) compliant facility that will allow the American Legion to continue to support the American Legion mission which is to provide volunteer services in our communities, to mentor youth, advocate patriotism, honor and support fellow service members, veterans and community service members.	150,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		150,000

14. Program Performance

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



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The goal is to enhance the American Legion Mission to provide volunteer services in our communities, to mentor youth, to advocate patriotism, to honor and support fellow service members, veterans and other service members in the community.

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

Services include, but are not limited to, scholarships, schools medals program, ROTC and JROTC support, Boys and Girls State, Boys and Girls Scouts, Boys and Girls Clubs, and County 4-H. Additionally, we support community Independence and Veterans Day activities, retirement home visits, funeral honors, PTSD awareness and suicide prevention.

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

The additional space will create a secluded area for individual counseling by the Post Service Officer and the County Veterans Service office. This service will be for the veterans and their spouses on VA medical benefits, pensions and survivor and funeral benefits. These services will be available to all veterans in Seminole County and surrounding areas. In addition to individual counseling, the space will allow for group presentations by qualified service officers to the public and other civic organizations.

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

The target population is more than the 260 members and family members of Post 243. They range in age from World War II, Korean War, Vietnam era to the Global War on Terrorism. Many of these members and family members are disabled. The additional target population is the young adults and youth the post supports to include ROTC, JROTC, the 2,400 students, faculty and family members in the twelve school medals program, Boys and Girls State, Boys and Girls Clubs and county 4H.

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

With the success of community support activities, the Post has been selected as the Best American Legion Post in the state of Florida. This success has created a demand that exceeds our ability to support the community and have had to deny requests for support. The methodology and measurement of success will allow the expanded facility to not only increase the services to the target population but allow the post to host activities for the retirement homes and the other civic organizations we serve and host multiple activities at the same time. The measurement of success will be the increased number of activities we host.

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 the contract?

Cost and schedule impacts to the six-month construction schedule are minimal

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

16. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type



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- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify) 501c(19) veterans

d. First Name **Last Name**

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number