



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1182

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Habitat for Humanity of Hillsborough County (Habitat) will construct 2 Single Family homes for low-income families (<120% AMI) in Hillsborough County. These homes will be sold by Habitat by way of a 30 year mortgage with payments that are not more than 30% of the household income. Homeowners will receive homebuyer education that will include a HUD certified housing counseling program along with financial literacy classes and home maintenance. The homebuyers will be required to perform sweat equity by assisting in the building of their home and the homes of others. Preference will be given to applicants that have served in the armed forces, first responders, those working in the healthcare field, and those working in education.

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	520,000
Total State Funds Requested	520,000

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)	520,000	73%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	189,000	27%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	709,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2023-24	0	1,010,000	2341A	No

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.

Local fundraising and down payment assistance.

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.

We received PPP loan forgiveness of \$524,894.18 and Employee Retention Credit of \$761,288.90. The funds were used for ongoing operations, payroll, and the continuation of building when revenues were down.

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.

Habitat for Humanity of Hillsborough County will develop and construct 2 homes in Hillsborough County to sold to low-income homebuyers with payments that are no more than 30% of their income. The homes will be mortgaged and have shared-equity provisions to avoid flipping and they will also include a security interest for the state funds received.

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	Property insurance relief for Habitat homeowners.	20,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Construction of 2 single family homes	500,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		520,000

14. Program Performance

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



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\$500,000 for 2 Single family homes to be constructed for low-income families (earning less than 120% AMI). Preference will be given to applicants that have served in the armed forces, first responders, those working in the healthcare field, and those working in education.
 \$20,000 to be used over the next 24 months to provide property insurance relief for Habitat homeowners whose insurance has increased at least \$200 and meet application requirements.

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

The development and construction of 2 homes. All applicants will be provided with homebuyer education that includes a HUD certified housing counseling class as well as financial education to ensure they are ready for homeownership. In addition, applicants will be required to complete sweat equity on the project to learn the basics of construction and home maintenance.
 Property insurance relief to be provided to homeowners through an application with Habitat if their insurance has increased by \$200 or more.

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

They will be provided with an affordable mortgage and education to increase their ability to be successful homeowners. An application for property insurance relief for Habitat homeowners will be available to ensure access to coverage; eligibility criteria will be identified to ensure those with the most need are served.

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

Low-income families (earning less than 120% of AMI). The average family size of Habitat applicants is 3 persons, therefore we expect to serve 6 individuals.
 With the property insurance relief fund, we anticipate 40 households would be served, or approximately 120 individuals.

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

2 low-income families will be provided with a home that will allow them to build equity for their family and reduce their dependence on government funding. This will be measured by the number of homes constructed and the household size.
 Approximately 120 individuals will be served with property insurance relief through an application process. This will be measured by the number of households and individuals served.

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?

Return of funding.

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

For Profit Entity



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- 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

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number