



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 1685

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

**4. Project/Program Description**

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami is seeking assistance for financing the infrastructure costs for the creation of a new, 150 townhome community which will focus on creating home-ownership opportunities to low income families (earning 80% or below of AMI). Miami Dade County is facing a catastrophic housing affordability issue, resulting in scores of people leaving the community due to housing unaffordability.

The Habitat Acres community will provide 150 families with the chance to purchase home at below market value with a Habitat provided 0% interest mortgage. To date, Habitat Miami has helped more than 1300 families achieve this dream.

Funds would go towards the creation of paving and drainage for the project, as well as towards roads and electrical infrastructure.

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	1,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

**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)	1,000,000	4%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	2,000,000	7%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	25,000,000	89%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>28,000,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.**



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Private fundraising will provide close to 90% of the project budget. Additional efforts to privately raise funds would have to happen to fully fund the project.

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

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

Habitat Miami received a PPP loan for 300,000 which went towards employee retention and operations while the organization was closed to the public due to the inability to use volunteers or serve families.

## 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.**

The entire project is owned by and will be developed by Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami, a 501C3 organization which has been operating in Miami for 30 years.

**13. 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: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	All of the funds will go towards the costs associated with infrastructure, in particular underground utilities and roadways.	1,000,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>



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#### 14. Program Performance

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

Addressing the lack of affordable homeownership within Miami Dade County. Funding will be dedicated to support horizontal development activities for the construction of 150 affordable homeownership units in south Miami-Dade. These activities include infrastructure development, expenses that are necessary for the successful completion of the development.

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

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami will act as the sole developer for all affordable housing developments that receive funding, managing all aspects of construction which includes, selecting contractors, subcontractors and overseeing their work. Lastly, our organization will ensure each unit is occupied by income-qualified homeowners.

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

Habitat builds and sells homes at no profit and no interest to households who do not qualify for a traditional mortgage. The program prepares homeowner partners to be successful homeowners through an education curriculum of 12 classes, from budgeting to home maintenance. The program is predicated on the principle of a hand-up and not a handout. Homeowners purchase their home from Habitat and are provided a 'conventional' 30-year 0% interest mortgage, never paying over 30% of their total household income for their housing expense.

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

The expected population will be low-income African American and Hispanic families. It is expected that more than 1000 people will be directly impacted by the project.

**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 be measured by families served. 150 sold homes to qualified low income families will be the yardstick by which results will be measured.

**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?**

Penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures in a contract must comply with the rules and regulations of the agency and the State of Florida. In the event of a nonperformance the agency may implement a variety of penalties to address the issue. Ultimately, the agency should have the ability to recover funds that were paid to the contractor for work that was not completed or not completed to the agency's satisfaction.

#### 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**