



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2067

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Connect approximately 67 low income residents to municipal sewer system in an area immediately east of the Zephyrhills city limits, but within the city's utility service area, per an agreement with Pasco County. The City previously provided water service to this neighborhood. This project will include extending sewer force main lines, gravity and/or vacuum sewer lines, connection to the city municipal waste water collection system, decommission existing septic tanks, and construction of Armstrong Street, a dirt road, to provide access and utility service along that roadway (currently a private drive).

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	3,000,000
Total State Funds Requested	3,000,000

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)	3,000,000	100%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025	3,000,000	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.

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.

American Rescue Plan Act - \$8,242,048. \$7.4 is going to the restoration and renovation of Hercules Park. Remaining not identified yet.
 \$51,980 for Covid-19 prevention measures (gloves, glass partitions, masks, etc.)

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)?

No

c. What is the estimated start date of construction?

12/1/24

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/1/25

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 City of Zephyrhills municipal utility system will connect these residents to its system. This system provides a safe, clean water supply and environmentally sound water system. The residents within this project area are located within the city's Utility Service Area Agreement with Pasco County and has provided utility services (water) to the area for more than 30 years.

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	Engineering services (design of force main sewer connection to the residential area, gravity sewer lines and/or vacuum sewer lines) and road design.	300,000
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	Oversee construction and installation of sewer lines, decommissioning septic tanks, and improvement of dirt road (installation of sewer lines will be included in Armstrong Street right of way).	2,700,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,000,000

14. Program Performance



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

Connect sewer lines to residential subdivision and homes along 6th Avenue and Armstrong Street. Project will include decommission of existing septic tanks and improvement of dirt road (Armstrong). This includes 67 existing properties and potential for additional properties in the future.

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

Connection to municipal sewer system; environmental improvements; roadway improvements. The City of Zephyrhills will waive impact fees of \$2,090 to the residents for connection to the utility waste water system as a local match for this project. Currently, in conjunction with Pasco County Utilities, the city is in the process of installing a lift station within a mile of this neighborhood.

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

In addition to the improvement of the quality of life for residents in this predominately African American neighborhood by upgrading local utility standards, these residents will be served by the local municipality with both water and sewer service and decommission of existing septic tanks, many of which were installed as long ago as the 1950's and 1960's.

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

Approximately 67 property owners/150 residents. This is a largely minority neighborhood with high concentration of senior citizens and low and fixed income residents.

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

Improve the quality of life for residents in this predominately African American neighborhood by upgrading local utility standards and providing complete municipal utility services (water and sewer). It also lessens the potential impacts of environmental hazards and contamination from old and deteriorating septic tanks.

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?

The City of Zephyrhills operates a fully sanctioned and operating utility system under the auspices and regulations of state agencies, including the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Southwest Florida Water Management District. FDEP authorization and permitting will be required for the implementation of this project.

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

Non Profit 501(c)(3)



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- 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

Please complete the questions below for Water Projects only.

18. Have you applied for alternative state funding?

- Waste Water Revolving Loan
- Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- Other (please specify)
- N/A

19. What is the population economic status?

- Financially Disadvantaged Community (ch. 62-552, F.A.C)
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- Rural Area of Economic Concern
- Rural Area of Opportunity (s. 288.0656, Florida Statutes)
- N/A

20. What is the status of construction?

21. What percentage of the construction has been completed?



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0%

22. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

12/01/2025