



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2109

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

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 | 2,100,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 2,100,000 |

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) | 2,100,000 | 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 | 2,100,000 | 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?

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



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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?

December 2024

d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?

January 2025

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.

Ruth Rains Middle School is owned and operated by Dixie District Schools

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 | Demolition of existing. Replacement of chiller and controls. Architectural and Engineering fees. Code required Commissioning. | 2,100,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 2,100,000 |

14. Program Performance

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

The District seeks to replace the existing chiller at the Ruth Rains Middle School. The chiller is from the original School construction from the early 1990's. The chiller has long outlived its intended life cycle and is kept operational with extensive and expensive maintenance. Due to the age of the chiller, the project will also need to include complete replacement to the HVAC control system.

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

The District will engage the services of design Professionals (Architect and Engineer) to size the new chiller and ensure it is up to current Florida Building codes for cooling and heating as well as energy efficiency.

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



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In addition to the students that attend the school each day, the facility is a community hub. Non-school related sporting events are held in the gymnasium. The cafeteria and Media Center are used by local organizations for community events and meetings.

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

450 middle school students and between 250-500 community members using the gymnasium for after school sporting events and the media center and cafeteria for meetings.

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

Increased quality of comfort and increased indoor air quality. This results in the reduction or elimination of Coughing, eye irritation, headaches and allergic reactions. additionally Increased engagement in learning activities due to more consistence indoor temperatures and lower humidity levels.

The National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments is the method for measuring the level of benefit year over year.

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?

If the replacement is not completed on schedule, the preforming contractor would be accessed liquidated damages. These damages would be calculated as the cost, per day ,for a temporary cooling unit need for the entire school the cost would be calculated from the first day the student return until the new equipment is operational.

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)

Non Profit 501(c)(4)

Local Entity

University or College

Other (please specify) School District

d. **First Name** **Last Name**

e. **E-mail Address**



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f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number