



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2468

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

St. Johns County's (County) Regional Fire Rescue and Law Enforcement facility provides fire suppression, emergency medical services and law enforcement response and prevention to the rapidly developing community consisting of approximately 16,300 households and 3.5 million sq. ft. of commercial, industrial and medical property. The estimated residential population is 40,750. The station reduces the communities ISO rating, which, in turn, reduces fire insurance premiums. This facility provides fast access to major transportation corridors, including I-95, CR2209, SR 16 and CR210, to mitigate the numerous incidents on these populated roads. In addition, this facility includes the backup Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for 911 Communications and Emergency Operations, which will be relocated from a recognized flood zone to this protected location.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted? No

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

| Type of Funding | Amount |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Operations | 0 |
| Fixed Capital Outlay | 18,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested | 18,000,000 |

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) | 18,000,000 | 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 | 18,000,000 | 100% |

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

| Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy) | Amount | | Specific Appropriation # | Vetoed |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------------------|--------|
| | Recurring | Nonrecurring | | |
| | | | | |

9. Is future funding likely to be requested? No

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.

\$106 million in COVID-19 direct and indirect funding for: COVID-19 prevention and mitigation; business and non-profit grant programs; affordable housing; rental assistance; public transit; water and sewer infrastructure; public safety first responder efforts.

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 St Johns County Board of County Commissioners shall own and maintain responsibility of the facility.

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 | Design, permitting, construction, post-design services and CEI of Central Public Safety Station. | 18,000,000 |
| Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6) | | 18,000,000 |

14. Program Performance

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



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The goal is to reduce the communities ISO rating which will significantly reduce fire insurance premiums for approximately 16K homes and 3.5 million sq ft of commercial property. This project shall decrease emergency response times resulting in reduced injury and lives saved. This project will contribute to SJCFR's compliance with the NFPA emergency response standards, and increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the St Johns County Sheriff's Office response capabilities by establishing a local base of operations. The existing PSAP will be relocated out of a flood zone to this facility.

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

This facility shall be staffed 24/7 with the required Fire, EMS and law enforcement personnel with a full complement of the required equipment to perform these vital missions. Due to the facility's location, fast access to major transportation corridors including I95, CR2209, SR 16 and CR210 will be provided to mitigate the numerous incidents on these populated roads. This facility will also house a live backup Public Service Answering Point (PSAP) should a loss of the primary occur. The current backup PSAP will be relocated out of a flood zone to this location.

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

This facility will provide public safety services in the rapidly developing community consisting of residential and commercial occupancies. Fire suppression services will be established for the structures currently outside of the 5-road mile coverage distance required by Insurance Services Organization (ISO), which will result in reduced insurance premiums. In addition, this project will result in faster emergency medical response times that will reduce harm and injury. Furthermore, the community will experience greater efficiency and effectiveness through the presence of localized full-time law enforcement response.

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

This area consists of commercial, industrial, residential, educational and medical occupancies. The estimated residential population consists of 16,300 dwellings and over 40,000 residents in the primary response zone. In addition, this project serves two regional workforce clusters as well as a county wide emergency response.

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

This project shall result in a reduction in the community ISO rating which will result in a reduction of insurance premiums to the effected population as measured through the collection of statistical insurance data. In addition, this project shall result in faster emergency response times resulting in reduced property loss, reduced injury and harm to the public and a reduction in crime generated by the readiness and locality of the local law enforcement assets. This project shall assure the continuous capability of the PSAP. This information will be analyzed and validated through the use of existing data bases.

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?

Standard contract penalties are sufficient.

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



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c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- 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