

The Florida House of Representatives

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2026-27

For projects meeting the definition of House Rule 5.14

Only Members of the Florida House of Representatives can officially submit an Appropriations Project Request
 Your request will not be officially submitted unless all questions and applicable sub parts are answered. The information provided in the request will be posted on the House website and available for public review if an Appropriations Project Request is published by a Representative.

1. **Title of Project:**
2. **Date of Submission:**
3. **House Member Sponsor:**

4. **Details of Amount Requested:**
 - a. Has funding been provided in a previous State budget for this activity? Yes No
 - b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
 - c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? Yes No
 - d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request.

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2025-26 <i>(If appropriated in FY 2025-26 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>				Nonrecurring Funds Request for FY 2026-27		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F	
Funds Description	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated	Operations	Fixed Capital Outlay (FCO)	TOTAL Operations + Fixed Capital Outlay (FCO)	
Input Amounts	0	0	0	0	950,000	950,000	

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e. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2026-27 from all sources of funding (Enter "0" if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	% of Total	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request	950,000	100.0 %	
2. Federal	0	0.0 %	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
3. State (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Col F)	0	0.0 %	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
4. Local	0	0.0 %	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
5. Other	0	0.0 %	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
TOTAL	950,000	100.0 %	

5. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year? Yes No

a. How much state funding would be requested after 2026-27 over the next 5 years?

b. How many additional years of state support do you expect to need for this project?

c. What is the total project cost for all years including all federal, local, state, and any other funds? Select the single answer which best describes the total project cost. If funds requested are for ongoing services or for recurring activities, select "ongoing activity".

6. Is this project related to relief or recovery from a natural disaster? Yes No

a. If yes, provide the name or a description of the natural disaster and briefly describe how the funding will be used for relief or recovery.

Maximum of 500 characters allowed

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7. Which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue requested?

- a. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? Yes No
- b. Describe suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures.

Maximum of 500 characters allowed

8. Requester:

- a. First Name: Last Name:
- b. Organization:
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #:

9. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project.

- a. First Name: Last Name:
- b. Organization:
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #:

10. If there is a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project, fill out the information below. If not, click None

- a. First Name: Last Name:
- b. Firm:
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #:

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11. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

a. Name:

b. County (County where funds are to be expended)

c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding)

12. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds?

If other, please describe:

13. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds being requested?

The purpose of the requested funds is to provide a secure shelter for local residents and their pets and visitors at the marina and campground during storm and hurricane activities. Given that the City of Pahokee has direct access to Lake Okeechobee, this proposed hardening will create the city's only hurricane-proof shelter, ensuring safety and protection for the community in times of crisis.

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14. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Amount Requested (Total should equal 4d, Col. F) Enter '0' if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs		
Salaries and Benefits		
Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Request for funds to pay for the strengthening of the existing gymnasium structure: Improvements include: replacement of doors, replacement of windows, security cameras and other hardening needs to create a safe space for families and their pets during a natural disaster.	950,000
Total Requested		950,000

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15. For Fixed Capital Costs requested in Question 14, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete?

[Local Government](#)

If other, please describe:

[100 maximum characters allowed](#)

16. Is the project request an information technology project? Yes No **Water projects skip to #17**

a. Will this information technology project be managed within a state agency to support state agency program goals? Yes No

b. What is the total cost (all years) to design and build the project?

c. What are the ongoing (annual recurring) maintenance and operation costs once the project is completed?

d. Has the state agency indicated it has sufficient funds for the ongoing annual recurring costs within its current operating budget? Yes No

e. What are the specific business objectives or needs the IT project is intended to address?

[400 maximum characters allowed](#)

f. Based upon the identified business objectives or needs, what are the success factors that must be realized in order for the state agency to consider the proposed IT project a success?

[100 maximum characters allowed](#)

17. Is there any documented show of support for the requested project in the community including public hearings, letters of support, major organizational backing or other expressions of support? Yes No
Please describe:

[Several City Commission Meetings and Community Meetings](#)

18. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served? Yes No
Please describe:

[400 maximum characters allowed](#)

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19. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens? Yes No **Water projects skip to #20**

a. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the purpose of the funds?

400 maximum characters allowed

b. Describe the direct services to be provided to the citizens by the funding requested.

400 maximum characters allowed

c. Describe the target population to be served (i.e., “the majority of the funds requested will serve these target populations or groups”). Select all that apply to the target population:

- Elderly persons
- Persons with poor mental health
- Persons with poor physical health
- Jobless persons
- Economically disadvantaged persons
- At-risk youth
- Homeless
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically disabled
- Other, please describe:
- Drug users (in health services)
- Preschool students
- Grade school students
- High school students
- University/College students
- Currently or formerly incarcerated persons
- Drug offenders (in criminal Justice)
- Victims of crime
- General (The majority of funds will benefit no specific group)

Required if 18c - Other is checked (100 maximum characters allowed)

d. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

<Click to Select>

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20. What benefits or outcomes will be realized by the expenditure of funds requested? (Select each Benefit/Outcome that applies):

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit or outcome
Improve physical health		
Improve mental health		
Enrich cultural experience		
Improve agricultural production/ promotion/education		
Improve quality of education		
Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	Provide shelter during storm/hurricane for those in need of a safe place to reside if the need to evacuate substantial house. It will also serve as a safe place for the homeless and other vulnerable populations during times of need for safe sheltering.	Measured by the number of people utilizing the facility during times of evacuations.

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Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit or outcome
Improve transportation conditions		
Increase or improve economic activity		
Increase tourism		
Create specific immediate job opportunities		
Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
Reduce recidivism		
Reduce substance abuse		

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Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit or outcome
Divert from Criminal/ Juvenile Justice System		
Improve wastewater management		
Improve stormwater management		
Improve groundwater quality		
Improve drinking water quality		
Improve surface water quality		
Other (Please describe)		

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The questions below are additional questions for water projects only

21. Have you applied for alternative state funding? Select all that apply:

- a. Wastewater Revolving Loan
- b. Drinking Water Revolving Loan
- c. Small Community Wastewater Treatment Grant
- d. Resilient Florida Grant
- e. Water Quality Improvement Grant
- f. Other (Please describe)
- g. N/A

22. What is the population economic status?

- a. Financially Disadvantaged Municipality
- b. Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern
- c. Rural Community Experiencing Economic Distress
- d. N/A

23. What is the status of construction?

- a. Ready
- b. Not Ready

24. What percentage of construction has been completed?

 %

25. What is the estimated completion date of construction?