

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Palm Beach County Elections Registration and Equipment

2. Date of Submission: 11/13/2019

3. House Member Sponsor: Joseph Casello

Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
If answer to 4a is "No" skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d, Col. E
- What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request:

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2019-20 <i>(If appropriated in 2019-20 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2020-21 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)</i>		
	Column: A	Column: B	Column: C	Column: D	Column: E	Column: F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)</i>	Recurring Base Budget <i>(Will equal non- vetoed amounts provided in Column A)</i>	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E.)</i>
Input Amounts:					1,000,000	1,000,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2020-21? No

5a. If yes, which state agency?

5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? Department of State

5c. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? No

5d. Describe penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures which the agency should provide in its contract to administer the funding if appropriated.

Forfeiture of funding if equipment not implemented at agreed upon timetable

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Verdenia Baker
- b. Organization: Palm Beach County
- c. Email: vbaker@pbcgov.org
- d. Phone #: (561)355-2738

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

- a. Name: Wendy Link
- b. Organization: Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections
- c. Email: wendylink@pbcelections.org
- d. Phone #: (561)656-6200

8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: Rebecca DeLaRosa
- b. Firm: Palm Beach County
- c. Email: rdelarosa@pbcgov.org
- d. Phone #: (850)284-7235

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Palm Beach
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Palm Beach

10. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds? (Select one)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government
- University or College
- Other (Please describe)

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

After numerous election tabulation delays, Palm Beach County agreed to purchase new county-wide voting equipment from Election Systems & Software. At the time of approval, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners also agreed to purchase a new voter registrations system at the urging of the new Supervisor of Elections, as Palm Beach County was one of only two counties in the state utilizing an outdated system.

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

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. E) Enter "0" if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits		
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	New equipment includes 975 scanners counters, 525 ADA-compliant Express Vote terminals and a new voter registration system.	1,000,000
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		1,000,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue (In Question 12, category "h. Fixed Capital Outlay" was selected), what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (Select one correct option)

For Profit

Non Profit 501(c) (3)

Non Profit 501(c) (4)

Local Government (e.g., police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc.)

State agency owned facility (For example: college or university facility, buildings for public schools, roads in the state transportation system, etc.)

Other (Please describe)

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

Yes

14a. Will this information technology project be managed within a state agency to support state agency program goals?

No

14b. What is the total cost (all years) to design and build the project?

15,700,000

14c. What are the ongoing (annual recurring) maintenance and operation costs once the project is completed?

14d. Can the state agency fund the ongoing annual recurring costs within its current operating budget?

No

14e. What are the specific business objectives or needs the IT project is intended to address?

After numerous election tabulation delays, Palm Beach County agreed to purchase new county-wide voting equipment. This will allow the County Supervisor of Elections to reduce the inconsistency and increase the speed of election results on elections night, and dramatically reduce the time for recounts from weeks to days.

14f. 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?

Success factors include implementation of voter registration system, and successful staging of Spring elections utilizing the new equipment in March of 2020.

15. 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?

No

16. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

No

17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

Yes

17a. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the purpose of the funds?

Funding will be used directly for purchase of state of the art voting equipment and voter registration system.

17b. Describe the direct services to be provided to the citizens by the funding requested.

New voting equipment will ensure efficient and timely election day operation and tabulation.

17c. 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
- 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 the funds will benefit no specific group)

Other (Please describe)

17d. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

< 25

25-50

51-100

101-200

201-400

401-800

>800

18. 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
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		

<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe): Improve voter confidence and election	Efficient execution of Spring 2020 election, and tabulation result reporting.	Accuracy and reduced elapsed time for election night reporting of results.

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2020-21 from all sources of funding (Enter "0" if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?
1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	1,000,000	6.0%	N/A
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	15,700,000	94.0%	Yes

5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	16,700,000	100%	

20. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

No