

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Northwest Florida Regional Hurricane Evacuation Shelter and Commerce Center
2. Date of Submission: 10/24/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Brad Drake
Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. 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
- 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?
- d. 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	B	C	D	E	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:					60,000,000	60,000,000

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? Executive Office of the Governor
 - 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.

If the Department determines that the performance of the County is not satisfactory, the Department shall have the option of (a) immediately terminating the AGREEMENT, or (b) notifying the County of the deficiency with a requirement that the deficiency be corrected within a specified time, otherwise the agreement will be terminated at the end of such time, or (c) taking whatever action is deemed appropriate by the Department.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Jeff Massey
- b. Organization: Washington County Board of County Commissioners
- c. Email: massey@washingonfl.com
- d. Phone #: (850)638-6200

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

- a. Name: Cliff Knauer
- b. Organization: Dewberry Engineers
- c. Email: cknauer@dewberry.com
- d. Phone #: (850)571-1253

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

- a. Name: Chris Carmody
- b. Firm: Gray-Robinson
- c. Email: chris.carmody@gray-robinson.com
- d. Phone #: (407)843-8880

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

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

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?

Washington County, with support from counties across the Florida Panhandle, wishes to construct a 200,000 sq ft regional hurricane evacuation shelter, emergency staging area, and commerce center. This facility will serve the general population, special needs, and be pet-friendly.

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 type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	The funds will be used for land acquisition, site preparation, engineering services, construction, and inspection.	60,000,000

TOTAL		60,000,000
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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?

No

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?

Yes

15a. Please Describe:

The Washington County Board of County Commissioners addressed the need for the facility during regular sessions of the board. In addition, the County has received numerous support letters from local authorities and leaders from counties across the Panhandle.

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?

Planning, engineering, construction, inspection.

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

Citizens have a safe shelter during hurricane evacuation orders. Emergency responders will have sufficient staging areas before, during, and after events, and the region will also benefit from having a centrally located commerce/meeting facility near Interstate 10. Washington

County schools will no longer be effected by long-term sheltering use after events. Following Hurricane Michael, local schools were unable to reopen as planned due to the number of displaced residents.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience	Completion of the project will enhance cultural experiences by providing additional areas for exhibitions, and multiple community, regional and state-wide events. This will include, but is not limited to, agriculture, education and competition opportunities.	The success of the project will be measured by the total number of people visiting the facility each year.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education	Completion of the project will improve agricultural activities by providing opportunities to educate participants and the public in the area of livestock, agriculture, horticulture, food production, and product services with special emphasis on youth activities.	Success will be measured by an increase in exhibitor events held within Washington County.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	The main goal of this project is to provide regional sheltering for hurricane evacuees. Recent events have proven the need for a centrally located facility in the Panhandle.	Success will be measured by the ability to shelter regional evacuees without interfering with local schools plans to re-open after an event.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		

<input type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	The construction project would provide immediate job opportunities for the entire area.	The project would require various types of construction crews to complete the project.
<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 type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

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:	60,000,000	100.0%	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:	0	0.0%	No
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	60,000,000	100%	

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

No