

**The Florida House of Representatives**  
**Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2022-23**  
For projects meeting the definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Ponce De Leon Fire and Rescue Department Construction
2. Date of Submission: 11/17/2021
3. House Member Sponsor: Brad Drake

**4. Details of Amount Requested:**

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? 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?
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request.

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2021-22 <i>(If appropriated in 2021-22 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2022-23 <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	Recurring Base Budget	<b>Additional Nonrecurring Request</b>	<b>TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds</b>
Input Amounts:					1,565,400	1,565,400

e. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2022-23 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	1,565,400	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

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5. Other	0	0.0%	No
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,565,400</b>	<b>100%</b>	

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

No

6. Which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue requested? Department of Financial Services

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

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

The Town of Ponce De Leon will award the contract through a competitive bid process. The bid documents will provide for liquidated damage cost for the project. The project will also have a 5% bid bond and a 100% Performance Bond from the contractor in the event that default becomes an issue.

7. Requester:

a. Name: Jessica Harrison

b. Organization: Town of Ponce De Leon

c. Email: townpdl@gmail.com

d. Phone #: (850)836-4361

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

a. Name: Douglass Rimmel

b. Organization: Fire Chief - Town of Ponce De Leon Volunteer Fire Department

c. Email: remmeld@hotmail.com

d. Phone #: (850)401-4255

9. Registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project.

a. Name: None

b. Firm: None

c. Email:

d. Phone #:

10. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

a. Name: Town of Ponce De Leon

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- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Holmes  
c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Holmes

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

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

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

These funds will be used to construct a new fire station for the Ponce De Leon Fire and Rescue Volunteer Department to replace the shed that has been in use that was built in the 1970's. Their equipment will be protected in the new building and it will be built to current Florida Building Code requirements including windload and emission controls in the bays for the vehicles. The new building will provide space for personnel and equipment that respond to over 300 calls per year.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount Requested (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:		

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<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	Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	1,565,400
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,565,400</b>

14. For Fixed Capital Costs requested in Question 13, what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete?

- 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)

15. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

16. 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

a. Please Describe:

The Fire Station request has been presented to the Holmes County Board of County Commissioners, the Ponce De Leon Town Council, and many letters of support are attached for your reference herein. The Town of Ponce De Leon service area has grown tremendously over the past 20 years and the building currently being used was donated by a local business for storage for the equipment and personnel.

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

No

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

Yes

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

The fire station will be used to service all of Holmes County and portions of Washington County for many years.

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

The Citizens will have better service with the construction of the new fire station. The staff can have office space and one open room for training. The truck bays will provide cover for all of their equipment and trucks along with a decontamination room required by FBC codes. Exhaust system will be provided to meet current standards and the building will meet all windload requirements.

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
- 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

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- General (The majority of the funds will benefit no specific group)  
 Other (Please describe): All citizens of Holmes County will be serviced by the facility

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

- < 25  
 25-50  
 51-100  
 101-200  
 201-400  
 401-800  
 >800

19. 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
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)	The General Public in Holmes and Washington County will benefit from the new fire station building as better services and training will be provided. The facilities have	The level of benefit will be measured by better trained fire department personnel and reduced response time with the station having better access to

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	not been upgraded for 20 years and the new building will meet current Florida Building Codes and Fire Codes for new stations.	public roadway from the 7 acres that was donated for the new fire station.
<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): General Public	The new fire station will substantially reduce response times and improve training opportunities for the Department.	The level of benefit will be measured by response time and better trained fire department personnel. The department is a

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	The improved conditions for the equipment and personnel will improve the overall department operations and allow for onsite training that is not currently available.	fire and rescue operation that responds to over 300 calls per year from the station.
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