

2019-2020 Florida Job Growth Grant Fund Public Infrastructure Grant Proposal

Proposal Instructions: The Florida Job Growth Grant Fund Proposal (this document) must be completed by the governmental entity applying for the grant and signed by either the chief elected official, the administrator for the governmental entity or their designee. Please read the proposal carefully as some questions may require a separate narrative to be completed. If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.

Governmental Entity Information

Name of Governmental Entity: _____

Government Federal Employer Identification Number: [REDACTED] _____

Primary Contact Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Secondary Contact Name: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

Public Infrastructure Grant Eligibility

Pursuant to section 288.101, F.S., the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund was created to promote economic opportunity by improving public infrastructure and enhancing workforce training. Eligible entities that wish to access this grant fund must submit public infrastructure proposals that:

- Promote economic recovery in specific regions of the state, economic diversification or economic enhancement in a targeted industry. ([View Florida's Targeted Industries here.](#))
- Are not for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity.
- Are for infrastructure that is owned by the public and is for public use or predominately benefits the Public.

1. Program Requirements:

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

Each proposal must include the following information describing how the project satisfies eligibility requirements listed on page 1.

A. Provide a detailed description of the public infrastructure improvements.

B. Provide location of public infrastructure, including physical address and county of project.

C. Is this infrastructure currently owned by the public? Yes No

If no, is there a current option to purchase or right of way provided to the County?

D. Provide current property owner.

E. Is this infrastructure for public use or does it predominately benefit the public? Yes No

F. Will the public infrastructure improvements be for the exclusive benefit of any single company, corporation or business entity?

Yes No

- G.** Provide a detailed description of, and quantitative evidence demonstrating, how the proposed public infrastructure project will promote:
- Economic recovery in specific regions of the state;
 - Economic diversification; or
 - Economic enhancement of a Targeted Industry ([View Florida's Targeted Industries here.](#))
 - Describe how the project will promote specific job growth. Include the number of jobs that will be retained or created, and in which industry(ies) the new net jobs will be created using the North American Industry Classification System ([NAICS](#)) codes. Where applicable, you may list specific businesses that will retain or create jobs or make capital investment.
 - Provide a detailed explanation of how the public infrastructure improvements will connect to a broader economic development vision for the community and benefit additional current or future businesses.
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2. Additional Information:

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

- A.** Provide the proposed commencement date and number of days required to complete construction of the public infrastructure project.
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- B.** What permits are necessary for the public infrastructure project?
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C. Detail whether required permits have been secured, and if not, detail the timeline for securing these permits. Additionally, if any required permits are local permits, will these permits be prioritized?

D. What is the future land use and zoning designation on the proposed site of the infrastructure improvements, and will the improvements conform to those uses?

E. Will an amendment to the local comprehensive plan or a development order be required on the site of the proposed project or on adjacent property to accommodate the infrastructure and potential current or future job creation opportunities? If yes, please detail the timeline.

Yes No

F. Is the project ready to commence upon grant fund approval and contract execution? If no, please explain.

Yes No

G. Does this project have a local match amount?

Yes No

If yes, please describe the entity providing the match and the amount.

H. Provide any additional information or attachments to be considered for this proposal. Maps and other supporting documents are encouraged.

3. Program Budget

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

Estimated Costs and Sources of Funding: Include all applicable public infrastructure costs and other funding sources available to support the proposal.

1.) Total Amount Requested \$ _____
 Florida Job Growth Grant Fund

A. Other Public Infrastructure Project Funding Sources:

City/County \$ _____

Private Sources \$ _____

Other (grants, etc.) \$ _____

Please Specify: _____

Total Other Funding \$ _____

B. Public Infrastructure Project Costs:

Construction \$ _____

Reconstruction \$ _____

Design & Engineering \$ _____

Land Acquisition \$ _____

Land Improvement \$ _____

Other \$ _____

Please Specify: _____

Total Project Costs \$ _____

Note: The total amount requested must be calculated by subtracting the total other public infrastructure project funding sources in A. from the total public infrastructure project costs in B.

- C. Provide a detailed budget narrative, including the timing and steps necessary to obtain the funding and any other pertinent budget-related information.
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4. Approvals and Authority

(If additional space is needed, attach a word document with your entire answer.)

- A. If the governmental entity is awarded grant funds based on this proposal, what approvals must be obtained before it can execute a grant agreement with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (e.g., approval of a board, commission or council)?
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If board authorization is not required, who is authorized to sign?

- B. If approval of a board, commission, council or other group is needed prior to execution of an agreement between the governmental entity and the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity:
- i. Provide the schedule of upcoming meetings for the group for a period of at least six months.
 - ii. State whether entity is willing and able to hold special meetings, and if so, upon how many days' notice.
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- C. Attach evidence that the undersigned has all necessary authority to execute this proposal on behalf of the governmental entity. This evidence may take a variety of forms, including but not limited to: a delegation of authority, citation to relevant laws or codes, policy documents, etc.
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I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have express authority to sign this proposal on behalf of the above-described entity and to the best of my knowledge, that all data and information submitted in proposal is truthful and accurate and no material fact has been omitted.

Name of Governmental Entity: _____

Name and Title of Authorized Representative: _____

Representative Signature: Scott Kornegay

Signature Date: _____

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2019-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR CITY MANAGER TO APPLY TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR APPROVAL OF THE CITY'S FLORIDA JOB GROWTH PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature established and funded at \$85 million the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund, a flexible, transparent economic development program used to promote public infrastructure and individual job training so as to encourage Florida as a destination for new and expanding businesses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Keystone Heights, Florida is interested in making a proposal to the State of Florida, Department of Economic Opportunity/Enterprise Florida seeking funds from the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund for the purpose of providing infrastructure, including public water and waste water system, support to the Keystone Heights Airport; and

WHEREAS, the City of Keystone Heights, Florida finds that the adoption of this resolution and the approval of the Public Infrastructure Grant Proposal together with the submission of the same to the State of Florida, Department of Economic Opportunity/Enterprise Florida is in the best interest of the City and its citizens.

NOW THEREFORE, be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Keystone Heights, Florida, in regular session,

SECTION 1. The Florida Job Growth Public Infrastructure Grant ("Grant") program is declared to be a program for providing needed physical improvements to benefit citizens and job growth in the proposed 2019 Grant Application.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby directs the Mayor or City Manager to sign all necessary certifications of the Grant Application, in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. The City Council directs the Mayor or City Manager to execute and submit the attached application to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for state approval, in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit A.

SECTION 4. The Mayor or the City Manager is authorized and directed to submit additional information in a timely manner as may be required by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

SECTION 5. The proposed Florida Job Growth Public Infrastructure Grant Application is

consistent with the City's desire to promote job growth.

SECTION 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

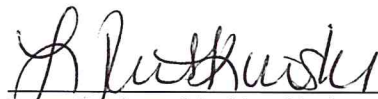
PASSED AND ADOPTED at the Council Meeting of the City of Keystone Heights, in Clay County, Florida on this 10th day of December 2019.

CITY OF KEYSTONE HEIGHTS, FLORIDA



Karen Lake, Mayor

Attest



Lynn Rutkowski, City Clerk



Clay County Utility Authority

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Working together to
protect public health,
conserve our natural
resources, and create
long-term value for
our ratepayers.

January 8, 2020

Mr. JJ Harris
Clay County Economic Development Corporation
1845 Town Center Blvd. Ste. 110-B
Fleming Island, Florida 32003

Re: Letter of Support for application submission regarding the Keystone Heights Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Job Growth Grant Fund

Dear Mr. Harris,

The Clay County Utility Authority (CCUA) certainly affirms our support of the application being submitted for the Keystone Heights Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Job Growth Grant Fund. We remain ready to move forward with water and wastewater infrastructure improvement should the opportunity and the ability of partner funding arise. CCUA staff budgeted \$4M for initial water and wastewater infrastructure for the Keystone Heights Airport. CCUA stands ready as a community partner with technical expertise, operations capabilities, and some initial funding capacity. However, CCUA cannot complete the water and wastewater infrastructure on our own. We need community partners like the City of Keystone Heights, the businesses at the Keystone Heights Airport, and support from the Florida Jobs Growth Grant Fund to make future business opportunities a reality.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Respectfully,

CLAY COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY

Jeremy D Johnston

Jeremy D. Johnston, P.E., M.B.A.
Florida Licensed Professional Engineer
Chief Operations Officer

cc: File



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January 10, 2020

Governor Ron DeSantis
Office of the Governor
400 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 3239-0001

Dear Governor DeSantis:

On behalf of the City of Keystone Heights, Florida, I write to express the city's support for Bradford County's Public Infrastructure Grant Proposal through the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund.

Bradford County was previously awarded a \$2.3 million grant from the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund to develop infrastructure improvements at the Keystone Heights Airport, which is in both Bradford County and Clay County and supports economic development in both counties and the entire region. Through the implementation of the infrastructure improvements funded by that grant, Bradford County has been advised of a requirement by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to enhance and update the existing entrance and to develop a secondary means of ingress and egress for the Keystone Heights Airport. FDOT has committed to cover the cost of a Corridor Traffic Study and to provide the necessary improvements to State Road 100 related to the project. Bradford County is now seeking additional funding in the amount of \$1.19 million from the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund to make those improvements to the transportation infrastructure that supports the Keystone Heights Airport.

The city believes that this grant will be highly beneficial to the region. The Keystone Heights Airport is already experiencing significant development related to the relocation of MHD Rockland to that facility. Together with the economic development benefits associated with MHD Rockland, the Florida International Rally and Motorsports Park, Camp Crystal Lake, and Camp Blanding, there is a tremendous opportunity for this project to fuel continued growth and development off of the airport property and throughout the region.

The grant applicant, Bradford County, is located within a Rural Area of Opportunity and this project is precisely the kind of project that the Florida Job Growth Grant program is intended to support.

This grant application, which would invest in a rural area of North Florida desperately in need of job growth, is highly deserving of state support. Thank you for your support, Governor.

Scott Kornegay, MPA

City Manager
City of Keystone Heights

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January 4, 2020

Re: Job Growth Grant Fund Letter of Support

For: City of Keystone Heights

We would like to show our STRONG support for the economic development funding requested by the City of Keystone Heights for the water and sewer line expansion to support operations at the Keystone Heights Airport.

Current expansion at the airpark includes Space Florida funding expansion plans for MHD Rockland for a new 150,000 square foot hangar, a flight training facility and a 40,000 square foot warehouse. ESG plans on setting up support operations and offices for cadre for training international pilots and navigators of the P-3 plane platform and ongoing support operations with Camp Blanding.

Future expansion opportunities include repair, maintenance and operations (RMO), a plane wash and painting facilities. These opportunities cannot be realized without access to municipal water and wastewater treatment facilities.

Without the Florida Jobs Growth Grant Funding for infrastructure Florida will lose out on future aviation investment.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and support.

Respectfully submitted,

JJ Harris

JJ Harris, President
Clay County EDC
A 501-C-3 not for profit corp.