

Budget Detail Request - Fiscal Year 2016-17

Your request will not be officially submitted unless all questions and applicable sub parts are answered.

1. Title of Project: Fort Walton Beach Fire Department Training Tower
2. Date of Submission: 12/07/2015
3. House Member Sponsor(s): Matthew Gaetz

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
- 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? No
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request (Note that Column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in Column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2015-16 (If appropriated in FY 2015-16 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2016-17 (If no new Recurring or Nonrecurring funding is requested, enter zeros.)			
	Column: A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column A + Column B)	Recurring Base Budget (Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)	INCREASED or NEW Recurring Requested	TOTAL Nonrecurring Requested (Nonrecurring is one time funding & must be re-requested every year)	Total Funds Requested Over Base Funding (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column E + Column F)
Input Amounts:					0	977,000	977,000

- e. New Nonrecurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs
- f. New Recurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs

5. Requester:

- a. Name: Michael Beedie
- b. Organization: City of Fort Walton Beach
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #: (850)833-9612

6. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds:

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

7. Write a project description that will serve as a stand-alone summary of the project for legislative review. The description should summarize the entire project's intended purpose, the purpose of the funds requested (if request is a sub-part of the entire project), and most importantly the detail on how the funds requested will be spent - for example how much will be spent on positions and associated salaries, specifics on capital costs, and detail of operational expenses. The summary must list what local, regional or statewide interests or areas are served. It should also document the need for the funds, the community support and expected results when applicable. Be sure to include the type and amount of services as well as the number of the specific target population that will be served (such as number of home health visits to X, # of elderly, # of school aged children to receive mentoring, # of violent crime victims to receive once a week counseling etc.)

OVERVIEW 1. Project Background and Description The current fire training building for the Fort Walton Beach Fire Department has been in place for over 30 years. The 3-story concrete structure has been used extensively for training by the Fort Walton Beach Fire Department and many other surrounding fire departments and law enforcement agencies to accomplish training goals. Unfortunately, many years of live fires and severe use have taken its toll on the structure. In August 2014, the engineering firm Wallace, O'Connell & Associates was hired to provide a professional inspection and report on the overall condition and safety of the training building. Their report identified a list of major repairs that rendered the building's interior unsafe for use, and identified the cost of repairs as exceeding the value of the structure. Therefore, the Fort Walton Beach Fire Department and other public safety agencies have been without the use of the structure since receipt of the report. The loss of this convenient training structure has dramatically affected the ability of local public safety organizations to receive realistic, quality training on a regular basis. Without the availability of facilities to conduct live, realistic training scenarios, personnel can very well lose a certain amount of their effectiveness in carrying out emergency scene operations. This loss of effectiveness can put firefighters and the public at greater risk. Also, the Insurance Services Office (ISO) is a third party organization that collects and evaluates information from communities in the United States on their structure fire suppression capabilities. Based upon the information collected, fire departments are issued a Public Protection Classification rating from 1 to 10. Class 1 represents an exemplary fire suppression program, and Class 10 indicates that the area's fire suppression program does not meet ISO's minimum criteria. Insurance companies use this rating as part of the process in determining insurance premiums for properties within a community. Currently, the City of Fort Walton Beach enjoys a rating of 3. However, it must be noted, firefighter training and the availability of a qualifying fire training facility are evaluated and graded as part of the Public Protection Classification rating. Therefore, the unavailability of a training facility could have the effect of increasing a community's insurance premiums. 2. Project Scope The scope of this project will involve the demolition of the current unsafe training building, and construction of a

new structure at the same location. The property is owned by the City of Fort Walton Beach and located directly behind Fire Station 7 on Lewis Turner Boulevard. Keeping the project located in the same location takes advantage of access, security, and utilities infrastructure already in place at this location. In addition, several fire training props and a proposed training classroom will be included in this project. The training building will include necessary installation of interior and exterior stairwells, various windows and doors, standpipe system, roof ventilation prop, rappelling anchors, and various live fire burn props within the structure. The modest classroom would provide a comfortable environment where personnel may gather for lectures, labs, and demonstrations. The availability of the training building and other props at the same location, provides the ability for personnel to move seamlessly between any lectures and hands-on training within a course's curriculum. Securing the necessary design and construction vendors for this project will be carried out through an RFP process and according to all applicable purchasing and funding policies. The construction of a new training tower will serve all Fire Departments and Fire Control Districts within South Okaloosa County. It will provide a regional benefit and will greatly enhance the level of service provided by the area's firefighters. 3. Project Costs The engineering firm AVCON, Inc. was asked to provide estimates on designing and constructing a new training facility for the fire department. On May 14, 2015, the firm forwarded their estimates. Total costs for the project were broken into two categories; design and construction. Demolition costs were determined internally.

Demolition Costs	\$30,000	Design Costs	\$52,000
Construction Costs	\$895,000	Project Total Costs	\$977,000

8. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2016-17 from all sources of funding:

Federal: 0

State: 0 (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column G)

Local: 0

Other: 0

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

No