

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: Wakulla Fire & EMS
2. Date of Submission: 01/05/2016
3. House Member Sponsor(s): Halsey Beshears

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	2,000,000	2,000,000

- 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: Sheree Keeler
- b. Organization: Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners
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6. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds:

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

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.)

According to U.S. Census data, Wakulla County's population has grown from 22,863 in 2000 to 30,776 in 2010, an increase of 7,913 or 34.6 percent, making it the 47th most populace county in the State. Wakulla County is considered a fiscally constrained county and received a Rural Area of Opportunity (RAO) designation in 2011.

Crawfordville has very old and separate Fire and EMS structures serving the Crawfordville area. None of the existing structures are adequate to house full-time or volunteer fire/rescue/emergency medical response personnel, emergency vehicles and associated equipment.

The Fire Rescue administrative office is located on Trice Lane and is prone to flooding during rain or storms. The EMS station, next door to the administrative office, does not provide proper or adequate parking bays and ambulances must park on unpaved, uncovered and unsecured areas. It lacks adequate or appropriate quarters to house fire and emergency medical personnel during shifts.

The Fire Station located on Cedar Avenue, has inadequate space for emergency vehicles and staff. The area has grown into a residential neighborhood and there are two heavily used County parks situated on both sides of the exit to U.S. 319, creating safety hazards for pedestrians, vehicles and Fire personnel.

Three years ago it became necessary to move the career firefighters from the Crawfordville fire station due to unlivable conditions. The staff and equipment are now housed in the only classroom at the WCFR Training Center, which is next to the Wakulla Sheriff's Office. The classroom was converted into living quarters

that is far from suitable for this occupancy. County wide fire training is now held in a fire station creating a less than ideal situation for training, housing or administrative activities.

To better serve citizens and visitors; increase safety; provide an adequate, secure and covered location for expensive emergency equipment and vehicles; expand coverage area; and, improve conditions for fire and emergency personnel the County is in desperate need of funds to consolidate the Fire and EMS stations into one location. Wakulla County does not have the financial resources, expertise or staff to design or construct a much needed consolidated Crawfordville Fire and EMS Station.

Growth in the County is concentrated in the Crawfordville area placing even greater demands on an already strained fire, rescue and ems program. Funds are being requested for a new, consolidated Crawfordville Fire and EMS station on Trice Lane that will be approximately 8,000 square feet. Estimated Project Cost: \$2.0 million for design and construction.

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

Federal: 0

State: 2,000,000 (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