

RESOLUTION NO. 2022- 377

**A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION SEEKING GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE COASTAL PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM.**

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, under the Florida Coastal Management Program, may provide grants to a county to fund local government coastal management projects. The Florida Coastal Management Program makes National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) funds available on a competitive basis to Florida's thirty-five 35 coastal counties, and all municipalities within their boundaries that are required to include a coastal element in their comprehensive plan, via the Coastal Partnership Initiative. The Coastal Partnership Initiative Grant Program ("Program") provides support for projects in the priority areas of resilient communities, coastal resource stewardship, access to coastal resources and working waterfronts; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Johns County qualifies as one of the thirty-five (35) coastal counties eligible for Coastal Partnership Initiative grants; and

**WHEREAS**, under the Program the County is required to submit a Coastal Partnership Initiative Grant Application for each project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parks and Recreation Department has identified a project that may qualify for grant funding through the Program; and

**WHEREAS**, none of the requirements, restrictions, and/or obligations associated with the award of a grant under the Program, or the grant itself would negatively impact the interests of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, applying for grants under the Program serves the overall interest of the County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida that:

**Section 1.** The above recitals are hereby incorporated into the body of this resolution and are adopted as findings of fact.

**Section 2.** The County Administrator, or designee, is authorized to submit a Coastal

Partnership Initiative Grant Application, on behalf of the County, for an educational coastal signage project.

**Section 3.** To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors that do not change the tone, tenor, or concept of this resolution, this resolution may be revised without subsequent approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

**Section 4.** This resolution shall be effective upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

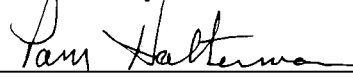
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 4th day of October 2022.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By:   
Henry Dean, Chair

ATTEST: Brandon J. Patty, Clerk of the Circuit  
Court and Comptroller

Rendition Date 10/4/22

By:   
Deputy Clerk



**COASTAL PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE**  
<https://floridadep.gov/rcp/fcmp/content/grants>

**GRANT APPLICATION**

Refer to Rule Chapter 62S-4, Florida Administrative Code, available at <https://floridadep.gov/rcp/fcmp/content/grants> for information on funding requirements and evaluation criteria.

Eligible applicants for the Coastal Partnership Initiative are local governments of the 35 coastal counties and all municipalities within their boundaries required to include a coastal element in the local comprehensive plan. Florida colleges, community colleges, state universities, regional planning councils, national estuary programs and non-profit groups may also apply, as long as an eligible local government agrees to participate as a partner, and a local government representative with appropriate binding signatory authority signs the application.

<b>Submittal Requirements</b>
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1. One application per applicant may be submitted per grant cycle (i.e., one application per county, city, or other eligible applicant.)
2. Applicants may request:
  - a) no more than \$30,000 and no less than \$10,000 for planning, design and coordination activities; and
  - b) no more than \$60,000 and no less than \$10,000 for construction projects, habitat restoration, invasive exotic plant removal, and land acquisition. These projects cannot involve planning/coordination tasks or components.
3. Non-profit groups are not eligible to receive funds for construction projects, invasive exotic plant removal, habitat restoration, or land acquisition. Applications submitted by non-profit groups that propose these activities (as listed in 62S-4.004(2)(c)) will be disqualified.
4. Funding is available only for project work initiated and completed during a 12-month period beginning July 1 and ending June 30.
5. One original signed application, electronic or paper, must be submitted.
6. All applications must be submitted on the CPI Application Form.
7. Applications must be submitted via email to [FCMPMail@FloridaDEP.gov](mailto:FCMPMail@FloridaDEP.gov) or mailed to the address below by 4:00 p.m. on the date identified in the notice of availability of funds to:

Department of Environmental Protection  
Florida Coastal Management Program, MS 235  
ATTN: CPI Applications  
2600 Blair Stone Road, MS 235  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-3000

**Faxed or late applications will not be considered and will be disqualified.**

**A. TITLE PAGE**

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

CPI Initiative Priority Area(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name and Name of Partner Entity (if applicable):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Official Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Applicant DUNS/UEI Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant FEIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Link to coastal element: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Project Manager Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Certification Statement

“By signing this title page, the undersigned certifies that:

- a. This application is in all respects fair and submitted in good faith without collusion or fraud;
- b. If selected through this application process, the recipient will work in good faith and in partnership with the Florida Coastal Management Program to manage its subgrant in a timely and accurate manner;
- c. Any funds awarded as a result of this application process will not be used to supplant or replace any state or local funds;
- d. Any funds awarded as a result of this application process will not be used as matching funds to apply for or receive other federal funds;
- e. No federal funds will be used as match for funds awarded as a result of this application process;
- f. The applicant local government’s adopted comprehensive plan has been found to be in compliance with Chapter 163, Part II, F.S.;
- g. **[If construction is proposed] The applicant submitted a completed NOAA 306A questionnaire, supplied the required attachments, conducted preliminary consultation with appropriate federal, state, regional and local regulatory agencies and has permits and approvals regarding any construction proposed in the application and has documented the results of the consultation in the Project Description section of the Work Plan;**
- h. [If construction projects, habitat restoration or invasive species removal are proposed] The property on which these activities will take place is owned or leased by the applicant or the applicant holds a sufficient easement; detailed means methods and best management practices to be used for the project and;
- i. The undersigned has full authority to bind the applicant.”

Signature	Name & Title	Date
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If applicant is a Florida college, community college, state university, regional planning council, national estuary program or non-profit group, include the signature, name, and title of contact for partnering entity; the name of the eligible county or city partner; and the date.

Signature of Partner	Name & Title	County or City Partner Entity	Date
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**B. PROJECT LOCATION MAP**

Include a project location map no larger than 8½" x 11".

**(10 pts.)\***

**PLACE LOCATION MAP ON THIS PAGE**

\* NOTE: The maximum number of points for scored application components is indicated in each section.

**C. WORK PLAN** (Expand text boxes as needed, keeping within the 10-page Work Plan limit)

This section describes the project and cannot exceed 10 single sided pages or 5 double sided pages. If letters of support or other materials are submitted to address the Work Plan components below, these items will count toward the maximum 10 pages of the application Work Plan; any additional pages or Appendices will be discarded and not considered in the evaluation of the application. The Title Page, Location Map, Budget and Budget Narrative do not count toward the 10-page limit of the Work Plan.

**1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION.**

a. Describe in detail the activity or work to be conducted; include project location information. **(15 pts.)**

b. Describe specific project objectives, tasks, and deliverables and related timelines for each. Objectives and tasks should clearly relate to the project description.

**(20 pts.)**

2. PROJECT NEED AND BENEFIT

a. Explain the demonstrated need, which the project addresses. **(25 pts.)**

b. Explain how the proposed project meets the purpose of at least one CPI priority area. **(10 pts.)**

c. Discuss the extent to which the project will improve the management and protection of coastal resources and identify any potential negative impacts. **(25 pts.)**

d. Discuss how project is feasible and can be completed within 12 months. (10 Pts.)

**BUDGET and BUDGET NARRATIVE** (15 Pts.)

Type dollar amounts only in applicable categories (round to nearest dollar; no cents) and leave other categories blank. A recipient will be required to provide 100% (1:1) matching funds, cash or in-kind. No more than one-half (50%) of match can be provided by a third party.

<u>Budget Category</u>	<u>FCMP Funds</u>	<u>MATCH Funds</u>
1. Salaries	_____	_____
2. Fringe Benefits	_____	_____
3. Travel	_____	_____
4. Equipment	_____	_____
5. Supplies	_____	_____
6. Contractual Services	_____	_____
7. Other Expenses	_____	_____
8. Indirect Charges	_____	_____
<b>FCMP Total</b>	_____	
<b>Match Total</b>		_____
<b>Total FCMP &amp; Match Funds</b>	_____	

If budget exceeds the amount shown on the "Total" line above, indicate the total project cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BUDGET NARRATIVE:** Describe line items for each applicable budget category shown above. Provide sufficient detail to show cost relationship to project activities for both FCMP and match items. **Indirect costs are not allowed as match.**

Total FCMP Funds Requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Salaries:



Fringe Benefits:  
Travel:  
Equipment:  
Supplies:  
Contractual Services:  
Other Expenses:  
Indirect Charges:

Total Match Funds:    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Salaries:  
Fringe Benefits:  
Travel:  
Equipment:  
Supplies:  
Contractual Services:  
Other Expenses:

**NOTE: Project costs will be evaluated for reasonability, and the application is eligible for up to 10 points based on the evaluation of costs.**