

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("Stimulus Act") was signed into law by President Barack Obama on February 17, 2009. Each program receiving funds as a result of the Stimulus Act has been and continues to be evaluated by Seminole County Government for eligibility and feasibility of pursuit for the greater benefit of the Seminole County citizens.

Provided below is the most current list of programs through which funding was either allocated/awarded to Seminole County Government through a formulated entitlement process, or requested through a competitive application process. Although none offset the current budget deficit, they do provide for enhanced services in targeted areas and/or allow us to complete projects that we would otherwise not been able to complete.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the Stimulus Act programs and funding, please contact the Grants Administrator at (407) 665-7163. Media related requests must be submitted to the Assistant County Manager at (407) 665-7224.

Awarded				
PROGRAM	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ALLOCATION/AWARD AMOUNT		
Community Development Block Grant	The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program enables local governments to undertake a wide range of activities intended to create suitable living environments, provide decent affordable housing and create economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income.	\$648,202		
Community Services Block Grant	To create, coordinate and deliver programs and services to low-income Americans.	\$378,321		
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program	Funding was allocated to law enforcement agencies in Seminole County. Applications are in process for the following: Rifles for Patrol Project (Altamonte Springs PD); Police Patrol Vehicles Project (Casselberry PD); Infrastructure/Building Security System Project (Lake Mary PD); Supplement Equipment Project (Longwood); Police Equipment Project (Oviedo PD); License Plate Recognition Project (Sanford Airport Authority); Seminole County Juvenile Assessment Center Truancy Interdiction Project (Seminole County Sheriff); and Education Programs for Youth Project (Winter Springs PD).	\$984,151		

Awarded (Cont'd)			
PROGRAM	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ALLOCATION/AWARD AMOUNT	
Emergency Food and Shelter Program	Funding was awarded to the United Way as the local EFSP Provider. Seminole County received an allocation of \$14,400 for its citizens to apply for emergency rent/mortgage payment assistance. Our role is strictly an intake service for citizens to apply for the funding. Approval and funding distributions (not to exceed the allocation) are made by the United Way.	\$14,400	
Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG)	Funding was allocated and a request submitted for the development and implementation of an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy. Specific projects for which the balance of the funding will be utilized will be determined at a later date.	\$2,925,100	
Homeless Prevention Fund	The Homelessness Prevention Fund will provide financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized. The funds under this program are intended to target individuals and families who would be homeless but for this assistance. The funds will provide for a variety of assistance, including: short-term or medium-term rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services, including such activities as mediation, credit counseling, security or utility deposits, utility payments, moving cost assistance, and case management.	\$991,180	
Surface Transportation Program	Resurfacing of Lake Mary Blvd from Markham Woods Rd to Rinehart Rd.	\$1,270,000	
Surface Transportation Program	Resurfacing of W 25th Street (CR 46A) from East of Old Lake Mary Rd to US 17-92.	\$1,176,000	
Surface Transportation Program	Resurfacing of Howell Branch Road from Seminole County line to SR 436.	\$600,000	
Transportation Enhancement Program	Cross Seminole Trail bridge over Howell Creek.	\$1,250,000	
Transportation Enhancement Program	Resurfacing of Rinehart Rd from County Road 46A to SR 417	\$261,601	
Wildland Fire Management	Funding was awarded to the state district office for treatment of the Markham Woods/Wekiva area (surrounding the Seminole-Wekiva Trail).	Service Only	
	\$10,498,955		

Competitive Applications Pending			
PROGRAM	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	REQUEST AMOUNT	
Fire Station Construction Program	The Assistance to Firefighters Program is providing competitively awarded grants to fund the construction of new and/or modification of existing fire stations. This effort is to enhance emergency response capacity and protect the community from fire and fire-related hazards. An application was submitted for the construction of stations 19 (Lake Emma/EE Williamson Rd) and 29 (Aloma Ave/SR 417).	\$2,500,000	
Florida Forest Health Improvement Program	The Florida Forest Health Improvement Program is provided for reforesting public right-of-ways, parks, public schools, and other national areas. An application was submitted for tree plantings at Red Bug Lake Park to replace the tree canopy lost during the 2004 hurricane's and the more recent Tropical Storm Faye. Plantings would also be done to address shoreline erosion at the park.	\$24,000	
Transportation Enhancement Program	Construction of a pedestrian overpass at Aloma Ave and Red Bug Lake Road.	\$5,000,000	
Transportation Enhancement Program	Reconstruction and resurfacing of Longwood/Lake Mary Road from County Road 427 to Lake Mary Blvd.	\$1,100,000	
Transportation Enhancement Program	Replacement of Orange Blvd Bridge at Lockhart-Smith Canal	\$1,100,000	
_	\$9,724,000		

Competitive Applications Submitted and Denied Funding			
PROGRAM	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	REQUEST AMOUNT	
Edward Byrne Competitive Grant Program	Byrne Competitive Grants help state and local communities improve the capacity of local justice systems. An application was submitted to implement a gang reduction initiative, assessing and implementing strategies for intervention.	\$205,544	
Edward Byrne Competitive Grant Program	Byrne Competitive Grants help state and local communities improve the capacity of local justice systems. An application was submitted to expand the Adult Drug Court Program to establish a pre-adjudication court for first time felony drug offenders.	\$302,197	
Local Youth Mentoring Initiative	The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention will be making awards to support local organizations that develop, implement, or expand local mentoring programs leading to measurable, positive outcomes for at-risk youth. Seminole County submitted an application for the development of a collaborative Youth Mentoring Program. The program will be purposed to enhance, expand, and implement mentoring strategies that reduce juvenile delinquency, violence, gang participation, school failure, and drop-out rates.	\$499,810	
Total Requests		\$1,007,551	