

2018-2019 Proposed Legislative Priorities:

State Priorities

- **Support operational funding for First Step Homeless Shelter.**

The City of Daytona Beach is requesting support for \$400,000 in operational Funding for First Step Homeless Shelter. The shelter is now under construction and will serve Volusia County's homeless population. The shelter's projected opening is mid-2019.

These funds will help augment local financial commitments and initial year start-up costs.

There is significant local funding for this project. The City of Daytona Beach has committed approximately \$4 million for construction costs, a 10 acre site, and \$2 million for operations. Volusia County has committed \$2.5 million for construction and \$2 million for operations.

Financial commitments have also been received from cities of Daytona Beach Shores, Holly Hill, Ormond Beach, Port Orange, and South Daytona. Individual and private corporations have also made start up donations.

- **Support use of Florida's Sadowski Housing Trust Fund for its intended purpose of funding workforce and affordable housing programs.**
- **Support for maintaining local government home rule authority.**
- **Support of Amendment One generated funds for infrastructure projects that improve water quality and assist with aquifer recharge.**
- **Support of funding for agency programs that provide grant assistance to cities for activities such as environmental enhancement projects, beautification, historic preservation, trail development, master planning, and improvement to public place areas.**

Federal Priorities

- **Support for projects identified in the City's flooding and drainage mitigation master plan.**

The City's Nova Canal Stormwater Retention and Flood Protection project has been authorized in the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016. With this approval, the City is seeking funding for the required Army Corps of Engineers feasibility study that has a not-to-exceed cost of \$3million.

In conjunction with the above project, the City requests support for implementation of the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Authority (WIFIA) as authorized by Congress with the Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA) to assist localities in need of resources for flood control, water supply, and wastewater infrastructure.

- **Federal funding of homeless initiatives.**
- **Federal funding of housing assistance initiatives.**
- **Identify resources and partnerships for neighborhood stabilization and redevelopment.**
- **Funding for City's priority economic development infrastructure projects and economic development financial incentives.**
- **Funding for public safety related resources, including support for personnel, equipment, technology, and COPS grants.**