

PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

2025 Alachua County Funding & Advocacy Priorities

STATE

Funding Requests:

- Funding for Newnans Lake restoration
 - Phase Two: Initial Implementation
- Funding for Archer Road expansion
 - Phase Two: Complete PD&E and finalize design for Segment One
- Funding for jail facilities improvements
 - Phase One: Capital Efficiency Analysis

Advocacy Issues:

- Address homeless camps issue
 - Support amendment defining county/city role
- Address credit unions issue
 - Support for CDFI
- Support for economic development or job training initiatives that benefit the County
- Support for local and regional food systems
- Continued support for affordable housing
- Oppose legislation that impinges upon Home Rule Authority or creates an unfunded mandate
- Support other local government as appropriate
- Support Florida Association of Counties Legislative Policies as appropriate

Future Funding:

- Define childcare/workforce training program and create pilot program

FEDERAL

Funding Requests:

- Support for the Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) funding
 - Training Tower
- Support for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant funding
 - New bus
- Restore State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) funding
- Funding for Archer Road expansion
 - Phase Two: Complete PD&E and finalize design for Segment One
- Funding for Newnans Lake restoration
 - Phase Two: Initial Implementation
- Funding for jail facilities improvements
 - Phase One: Capital Efficiency Analysis
- Identify funding for horse shelter during hurricanes
- Support other local government as appropriate

- Support National Association of Counties Legislative Policies as appropriate

Advocacy Issues:

- Work to incorporate apprenticeship program under the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant
- Help pass the CVF Stabilization Act / restore funding to the Victims of Crime Act program
- Object to “big trucks” in next year’s Farm Bill, legislation
- Protect conservation lands funding in IRA/Farm Bill, SNAP funds in Farm Bill
- Continued support for FEMA
- Continued support for affordable housing
- Continued support for DACA kids
- Support for economic development or job training initiatives that benefit the County
- Support for local and regional food systems

Future Funding:

- Define childcare/workforce training program and create pilot program