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Full Legal Organization Name (Required)	EAST LAKE COMMUNITY LIBRARY
Street Address (Required)	4125 East Lake Road South
City (Required)	Palm Harbor
State (Required)	FL
Zip Code (Required)	34685
Organization Website (URL)	eastlakelibrary.org
Organization President / Executive Director (Required)	Lois Eannel
Title (Required)	Library Director
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Email Address (Required)	lois-e@eastlakelibrary.org
501(c)(3)? (Required)	Yes
Registered in	Yes

**Florida?
(Required)**

**Year Established
(Required)** 1999

**Total
Organization
Annual Budget
(Required)** \$1,370,900

**Taxpayer /
Employer ID #
(Required)** 59-2720211

**Brief Description
of Organization
and It's Mission
(approx. 600
characters)
(Required)** The East Lake Community Library is located along the East Lake corridor in Palm Harbor and serves a population of approximately 32,000 residents; however, our annual traffic count far exceeds that number (almost 80,000 visitors in FY2023). The library was built in 1999 to provide an educational, cultural, recreational, and community center for our patrons. Our unique services, programs, and collections go far beyond traditional library basics and support our Mission Statement: "Strengthening our community through inspiration, enrichment, and education. "

**Project Name
(Required)** Upgrades to Lighting in Public Areas - LED Ceiling Panels

**Requested
Program Budget
(Required)** \$20,000

**Community
Need: Describe
the problem or
need to be
addressed by
this project.
(Required)** The existing hanging light fixtures in the public areas of the original building are over twenty years old, require continuous replacement, and do not properly light areas of the collection. This creates problems for both patrons and staff attempting to read the spine labels, etc. Hanging sound baffles have created another issue since they block the light in some areas from reaching the bookstacks below them. Replacement bulbs, ballasts, and the labor charges for electricians make these outdated fixtures expensive as well as inefficient.

**Project
Summary:
Describe how the
project will be
fully
implemented
and how it will** Based upon the proposals received from several local electrical companies, the hanging fixtures would be removed and replaced with approximately seventy flat panel LED ceiling lights in the main public area, the Children's Room, and the Teen Room. Because of the high-quality light output from the LED lights, there will be even light distribution (i.e. diffuse lighting) that will brighten up all of the areas in and around the various bookstacks.

<p>address the need or gap in the community. Identify and describe other funding sources, if any, for this project/program. (Required)</p>	<p>Since all three proposals were close to the \$20,000 maximum amount permitted by the county for these projects, no further funding is necessary. Based on the three proposals submitted with this application, we would like to proceed, if approved, with Fuller Electric - they are the lowest bid and also happen to be our provider for electrical installations and repairs for many years at ELCL.</p>
<p>Program Outcomes: Describe the time-line by which the project will be implemented including short-term and long-term results. (Required)</p>	<p>Once the project is approved by the county committee and the Board of County Commissioners, the winning bid will receive notification to proceed. Once the necessary materials are in stock, the library will close for several days due to the nature of the removal and installation of the fixtures throughout the building. Staff may be able to work in the back areas and Community Room during this process, but safety will be of the utmost importance. Short-term results will be a better-illuminated public area with evenly distributed lighting throughout. Long-term advantages include energy - efficiency (we can save as much as 75% on energy consumption) and a longer lifespan (minimum of 50,000 hours per unit), resulting in fewer replacement costs.</p>
<p>Describe how your project aligns with the County's Strategic Plan: (Required)</p>	<p>An increase in energy efficiency leads to a direct increase in sustainability. Using more energy-efficient bulbs helps to reduce the library's impact on the environment. This follows the county's goal of "Practicing Superior Environmental Stewardship."</p>
<p>Additional Information</p>	<p>Lighting_Estimates_for_MSTU_Application.pdf (154 KB)</p>
<p>Authorized Signature (Printed Name / Title) (Required)</p>	<p>Lois Eannel/Library Director</p>
<p>Authorization Date (Required)</p>	<p>01-03-2024</p>

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