

Funding 2013

12) Describe corridor funding needs, acquisitions and expenditures.

As we complete our sixth year as a CME we have become familiar with our strengths. We set our sights on what we can accomplish. For this purpose we pursue funding by grant where possible and otherwise by a donor program promoted in a brochure, by t-shirt sales. We were advised in October, 2012, by the Florida Department of Agriculture that the OSLT is in compliance with requirements to seek funding from that agency. We are exploring the possibility of partnering with Halifax River Audubon to construct an observation platform along the Red Trail on Tomoka State Park land.

13) Has funding been a problem? Y/N

No.

14) If so, how will the CME attempt to resolve this issue?

A big boost for our fund raising options came with IRS approval of OSLT's application for 501(c)3 status in 2012. The CME will apply for appropriate grants as the opportunity arises and otherwise raise funds as possible through donations at events we attend.

15) Are future funding sources being pursued? Y/N

Yes.

16) If so, when does the CME anticipate receiving them?

No funding time lines are currently in effect.

17) How will the funding be used?

In our experience funding is best pursued and applied to specific projects. Implementing our wayfinding grant is such a project. Corridor enhancements will be pursued as they come up, in particular the observation platform mentioned in item 12 above.