

DEDICATE RESOURCES FOR MUNICIPAL CYBERSECURITY



The Florida League of Cities calls on the Florida Legislature to provide the resources necessary to keep cybercriminals from compromising data on citizens and businesses that is collected by cities.

THE KEY POINTS

- 01** More than ever, Florida's **city governments rely on information technology** to provide vital services to residents and businesses, and **these services must not be interrupted**. To provide these services, cities collect key information. As a result, we have become targets of cybercriminals.
- 02** Criminals continue to develop **sophisticated methods of attack**. Small governments don't have the resources to address these **constantly evolving threats**.
- 03** The fact that cities have **cybersecurity insurance makes us even more of a target**. Criminals can use cybercrimes against cities to gain access to insurance funds.
- 04** Cities need **technical assistance, grant funding and training**. This will help us assess threats, improve infrastructure improvements and protect data. Cities must protect information about law enforcement personnel and building plans for government buildings and infrastructure. We also need a study of the cybersecurity risks tied to the Sunshine Law.
- 05** The **Florida Center for Cybersecurity (Cyber Florida)** can do this work. By **dedicating resources**, you have the opportunity to address this growing threat.
- 06** Florida can **set the standard** for ensuring the cybersecurity of local governments, citizens and businesses.

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