

Washington, D.C. – Congressman Tom Rooney (R-Fla.) today announced that the Port of Fort Pierce will receive a \$378,320 competitive grant to provide federal funding for port security.

“Keeping America safe is my top priority,” Rooney said. “This grant will provide federal funding for critical improvements to enhance port security and protect the residents of Fort Pierce.

The competitive grant was awarded through the Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) at the Department of Homeland Security. The PSGP provides funding to port areas for the protection of critical port infrastructure from terrorism. This funding will help Fort Pierce enhance its risk management capabilities, maritime domain awareness, training and exercises, efforts supporting implementation of the Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC), and capabilities to prevent, detect, respond to, and recover from attacks involving improvised explosive devices and other non-conventional weapons.

“I’m glad to see the hardworking taxpayers of St. Lucie County are getting a return on their federal tax dollars,” Rooney said. “To learn more about grant related services or to request a letter of support, please contact my office at (772) 288-4668 or visit my [website](#) .”

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