



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2019-2020

LFIR#: 1274

**1. Title of Project:** DeSoto County Food and Resource Center

**2. Senate Sponsor:** Ben Albritton

**3. Date of Submission:** 02/06/2019

**4. Project/Program Description:**

All Faiths is the only food bank serving DeSoto and has provided services in the area for more than 15 years. In 2018, we distributed 1,800,000 pounds of food through 22 local programs and agencies.

The purpose of the project is to establish a new DeSoto County Food and Resource Center, a one-stop shop that will provide food, services and referrals. The project represents a new model for services in rural communities. In addition to establishing a Food and Resource Center, the program also includes food drops in remote areas and migrant housing locations.

**5. State Agency to receive requested funds :** Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

State Agency Contacted? No

**6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	100,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	50,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>150,000</b>

**7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	150,000	27.27%
Federal	0	0.00%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.00%
Local	400,000	72.73%
Other	0	0.00%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2019-2020</b>	<b>550,000</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**8. Has this project previously received state funding?** No

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	NonRecurring		

**9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** No

**10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended**

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		



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Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	0	0
Other Salary and Benefits	0	0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	0	0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	0	0
<b>Operational Costs:</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Outreach worker Project director	82,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Cooler/freezer	18,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	0	0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Demolition and construction of walls, ceiling; replace carpet, tiles	50,000
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>150,000</b>

**11. Program Performance:**

**a. What is the specific purpose or goal that will be achieved by the funds requested?**

In 2017, All Faiths Food Bank in partnership with Gulf Coast Community Foundation, commissioned a Community Assessment of DeSoto County. Based on review of that report, data and research into best practices, All Faiths Food Bank is establishing a one-stop shop, a rural hub where All Faiths would offer emergency food assistance and partner with other local and regional agencies to provide services at the Center. As service gaps are identified, additional agencies will be secured. The Center staff will coordinate communication and case management among local services. Further, the Center can help strengthen and provide infrastructure for the existing local agencies and community. The project also includes food drops in remote areas and at migrant housing. NOTE: there are no charges for any service provided by All Faiths or no rent charged to partner agencies.

**b. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?**

Activities and services include: Client assessment and referrals Application assistance for government programs Services to improve economic/self-sufficiency Receipt, inventory, storage and distribution of food Food drops in remote areas and migrant housing Client tracking information system

**c. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?**

Initial services include: Client assessment and referral Application assistance for government programs Assistance with tax returns and EITC Financial literacy Legal assistance Access to fresh produce, protein, dairy Nutrition education

**d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?**

The target population includes low-income families and individuals, working families whose income is insufficient to cover the cost of living, agricultural workers, seniors, veterans, persons living with disabilities.

**e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome**



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#### **will be measured?**

Improve physical health. Outcome - Decrease number of households that have at least one member with high blood pressure and/or diabetes. Methodology - Client surveys; data from client tracking software. Improve mental health. Outcome - Decrease amount of stress an individual feels. Methodology - Client surveys; data from client tracking software. Methodology - Client surveys; data from client tracking software. Increase/improve economic activity. Outcome - Decrease in food expenditures allowing for expenditure on rent, transportation, child care, medical care, etc. Methodology - Client surveys; data from client tracking software; quantify how much money is going back into the economy; track number of SNAP applications. Enhance specific individual's economic self-sufficiency. Outcome - Decrease gap in individuals eligible for food stamp benefits but not receiving services. Methodology - Data from client tracking software; track number of SNAP applications; decrease in food bank use

**f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?**

Non-payment of invoices

**12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.**

The owner of the facility is Arcadia Shoppes, LLC. All Faiths Food Bank is the lessee.

**13. Requestor Contact Information:**

- a. **Name:** Sandra Frank
- b. **Organization:** All Faiths Food Bank
- c. **E-mail Address:** sfrank@allfaithsfoodbank.org
- d. **Phone Number:** (941)549-8137

**14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** All Faiths Food Bank
- b. **County:** DeSoto
- c. **Organization Type:**
  - For Profit
  - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
  - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
  - Local Entity
  - University or College
  - Other (Please specify)
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**15. Lobbyist Contact Information**



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- a. **Name:** None
- b. **Firm Name:** None
- c. **E-mail Address:**
- d. **Phone Number:**