

LFIR # 2831

**1. Project Title** Reducing Language-Barriers to Haitian-American Food Security

2. Senate Sponsor Shevrin Jones

**3. Date of Request** 03/06/2023

### 4. Project/Program Description

This program would fund community outreach services for Haitian-American families, with the goal of reducing food insecurity in these families. The program would fund a team of community outreach specialists who would assist families with language-barriers with navigating programs such as SNAP, Summer BreakSpot, National School Lunch Program, the National Free Breakfast Program, local food pantries, and local food distrubtion events.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

State Agency contac	ted? Yes
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### 6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	300,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	300,000

### 7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage	
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	300,000	100%	
Matching Funds			
Federal	0	0%	
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%	
Local	0	0%	
Other	0	0%	
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	300,000	100%	

8. Has this project previously received state funding? No

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Vetoed
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	

9. Is future funding likely to be requested?

a. If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.

b. Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.

10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

No

If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.



### **Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects**

### **11. Status of Construction**

a. What is the current phase of the project?

OPlanning ODesign OConstruction

- b. Is the project "shovel ready" (i.e permitted)?
- c. What is the estimated start date of construction?
- d. What is the estimated completion date of construction?
- 12. List the owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

### 13. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	This program would fund community outreach services for Haitian- American families, with the goal of reducing food insecurity in these families. The program would fund a team of community outreach specialists who would assist families with language-barriers with navigating programs such as SNAP, Summer BreakSpot, National School Lunch Program, the National Free Breakfast Program, local food pantries, and local food distrubtion events.	50,000
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Gas Reimbursement for staff	10,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Hiring of an outside consulting firm - as a non-entity employee - to provide compliance and technical assistance	30,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	3 Part-time Community Outreach Specialists	45,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Hiring of an outside consultant to provide translation services for informational material about available food assistance in Creole; Purchase of a General Liability Insurance Policy	10,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Majo	r Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (m	ust equal total from question #6)	300,000

### 14. Program Performance

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



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

Community Outreach, Case Management, Social service navigation, emergency food assistance

### c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

Community Outreach, Case Management, Social service navigation, emergency food assistance

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

Jobless Persons, Elderly Persons, Economically-Disadvantaged Person, Homeless, Grade School Students. The program will serve approximately 800 families annually.

# e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

The following outcomes are expected from this project:

- 1. Increased participation in federally-funded school nutrition programs
- 2. Increased food security among Haitian-American families in the state of Florida

3. Generate food-related savings among Haitian-American families in the state of Florida

The methodology used to evaluate these benefits will be to track the United Way of Florida's annual ALICE Households report, and data from the US Department of Agriculture and FDACS reimbursement data for school breakfast and lunch programs.

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 the contract?

Repayment of funds to the state on a pro-rated basis, after being given a reasonable chance to correct any contractual deficiencies.

### **15. Requester Contact Information**

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### **16. Recipient Contact Information**

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	Inc.	

b. Municipality and County Miami-Dade

### c. Organization Type

□For Profit Entity

☑Non Profit 501(c)(3)

□Non Profit 501(c)(4)



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□Local Entity				
University or Co	llege			
□Other (please sp	pecify)			
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