



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 1868

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

The specific purpose of the funds is to provide equitable quality, nutritious meals to senior clients that may have religious dietary restrictions, that require Kosher food. Kosher meals are more expensive to produce. Funding will ensure that clients who observe kosher dietary laws are not provided lower-quality meals due to religious, dietary restrictions. The funds will allow JCS clients to maintain self-sufficiency and good health in their homes instead of turning to more costly institutional/residential care.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

State Agency contacted?

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	400,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	400,000

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	400,000	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 2021-2022	400,000	100%

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

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

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?**



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

CARES Act - Support Services - \$105,843.53 for supportive services and counseling to seniors.
 CARES Act - Nutrition Services - \$166,230.87 for nutrition services/meals to seniors.
 Families First COVID-19 Funding C1 - \$85,327.10 - for nutrition services/meals to seniors.
 Families First COVID-19 Funding C2 - \$300,033.75 - for nutrition services/meals to seniors.

11. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Kosher meals to seniors	400,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		400,000

12. Program Performance

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

Combating food insecurity for seniors in Miami Dade county who rely on specific dietary meals for sustenance and stability.

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

Kosher meals will be provided via home deliveries or congregate meal sites (when its safe to do so) to 1,200 senior households annually.

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

The meals are being delivered to clients in their homes to safeguard their health and wellness and support their nutritional wellbeing.

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

The target population for these funds are seniors in Miami-Dade county who may be economically disadvantaged, in poor physical health, and physically disabled regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, or gender. We expect to serve approximately 1,200 seniors.

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



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Senior clients maintain nutritionally balanced diets and are able to enhance their quality of life and independence while living in their own homes reducing use of costly institutional/residential facilities. Social Workers and support staff conduct periodic assessment of nutritional risk scores and assess health and wellness of each senior client. Senior clients will also feel less food insecure and will complete a client feedback survey.

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?

There is a severe adverse impact in denying nutritionally balanced home delivered meals of equal quality to seniors that have religious dietary restrictions. Our agency is the ONLY Kosher food meal provider in Miami Dade that provides home delivered food to seniors that are homebound and/or sheltering in place due to COVID 19. Without these meals, seniors' health will deteriorate, and they will lose their ability to care for themselves in their homes.

13. 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.

None



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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. Recipient Contact Information

a. Organization

b. Municipality and County

c. Organization Type

- For Profit Entity
- Non Profit 501(c)(3)
- Non Profit 501(c)(4)
- Local Entity
- University or College
- Other (please specify)

d. First Name Last Name

e. E-mail Address

f. Phone Number

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number