



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 1455

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

A processing facility that establishes a public-private relationship with local farmers and Child Care Food Program Providers to decrease food waste and increase access to healthy nutritious foods for food insecure people (particularly children and seniors). The initiative partners with local farmers to rescue grade "B" and "C" food and other food that is not sold in the market. The rescued produce is brought into the processing facility where it is processed, cryovac packaged, and cold-stored. The produce is made available to many more agencies and individuals year-round. In addition, We'll partner with Child Care Food Program (Afterschool meals, Summer BreakSpot, child care centers) and Home Deliver-Meal providers to cater their meals, thereby implementing a sustainable revenue and job-generating initiative. There is a need for a large enough caterer that can be certified by FDACS and handle the significant meal demand.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

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

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)	400,000	25%
Matching Funds		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	350,000	22%
Other	850,000	53%
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024	1,600,000	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.

Complete questions 11 and 12 for Fixed Capital Outlay Projects

11. Status of Construction

a. What is the current phase of the project?

- Planning
 Design
 Construction

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		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		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Build-out and equipment for the processing facility.	400,000
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		400,000

14. Program Performance

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

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



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Works with farmers to capture additional produce that may otherwise go to waste and increase its shelf-life through cryovac packaging and increasing access to healthy foods. We'll partner with Child Care Food Program (Afterschool meals, Summer BreakSpot, child care centers) and Home Deliver-Meal providers to cater their meals, thereby implementing a sustainable revenue and job-generating social entrepreneurship. The facility will be made available for culinary training and nutrition education programs.

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

increase access to healthy nutritious food, decrease food waste, culinary training, nutrition education, and job creation.

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

Elderly persons, jobless persons, homeless, school-age children, the general population. The Palm Beach County food Bank serves on average 200,000 people per month.

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

Will rescue and additional 50,000 lbs of food, decrease food waste, create jobs and feed 2,000 children and seniors. All the data is tracked by our internal tracking system - Microsoft Dynamics Nav. The system keeps track of the pounds of food rescued, and people served.

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?

Failure to meet deliverables or performance measures provided in the contract will result in partial or total loss of funding.

15. Requester Contact Information

a. First Name **Last Name**

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number **Ext.**

16. 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



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f. Phone Number

17. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number