



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 2611

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Meals on Wheels provides social services to our most vulnerable and needy in the community. We currently deliver over 200 meals per day, without any governmental support. We have received, transported, processed and donated over 1,250,000 lbs of food to feed our local and surrounding community in the last year. Additionally, we host educational classes and instructional seminars in partnership with Advent Health, Premier Health and Palm Medical to promote healthy living in our community. We host an afterschool program with Pasco County Parks and Recreation.

We host events for local businesses and organizations and offer resources for our local police department and the East side of the County. As we see the economic turmoil in our country and local communities, these programs continue to grow in importance. In 2022, we saw a 30% increase in demand for services, and it is our mission to meet those needs and be the conduit between the community and it's needs.

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	150,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>150,000</b>

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)	150,000	50%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	150,000	50%
Local	0	0%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2023-2024</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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.



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Resource referrals and in kind donations.

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?

☐ 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
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Salaries for two employees. One to run the financial assistance program to families in need and the other to assist Pasco County Recreation Leader in the after school program.	50,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/ Other	Technology hardware and software, to include computers, tv's, carts, software licenses and accessories and all IT related equipment to be used for educational purposes. Furniture to include: tables and chairs, other forms of seating for the use of conference, banquets, meetings and classes for community and educational uses. Sound proof partition and moving track walls, installation and materials for storage and housing of doors/tables/chairs.	86,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Hiring costs of web development, software programming that aligns with financial, educational, and mentorship programs. Additions and revisions to existing website and associated costs for said contract services.	14,000
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		



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Construction/Renovation/Land/ Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		150,000

#### 14. Program Performance

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

Our effect on the community is the ultimate purpose. To impact the culture of our citizens, i.e. education, socialization and their health (physical, mental and emotional). By offering a multitude of services, we have the ability to reach each demographic and by partnering with other educational, social and medical organizations, we will have a far greater reach with measurable results.

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

There are a variety of services offered here at the center. We have everything from instructor led classes, support groups, social groups, police led community initiatives, hospital health workshops, business meetings and much more.

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

We provide many services here at the center. There is financial assistance to help prevent homelessness. We processed and donated over 1 million lbs of food out into the community, not to mention the home delivered meals we do daily. We offer educational and nutritional classes free to the public and an after school program for those students needing additional support. We provide additional resources.

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

Elderly  
Persons with poor mental health  
Persons with poor physical health  
Jobless persons  
At-risk youth  
Homeless  
Developmentally disabled  
Physically disabled  
Middle school students

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

Anyone seeking assistance will benefit from this project. For physical and mental health, cultural enrichment, education, reduced isolation, career growth and skill development. Assisting in mentorship and academic stimulation. Programs to assist our aging population and their access to sustainable resources.

##### 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 standards and performance measures will result in loss of funding for the applicable year.

#### 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



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**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**

**17. Lobbyist Contact Information**

**a. Name**

**b. Firm Name**

**c. E-mail Address**

**d. Phone Number**