



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2024-2025

LFIR # 2043

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Community Services is a steward of Palm Beach County's Nutrition Program for seniors and veterans. The goal to be achieved will be to provide many more individuals nutritious foods, nutrition education, and nutrition counseling. This will improve their health, physically and mentally improving their quality of life. Providing increased nutrition services allows individuals more financial freedom to spend fixed income on housing, medication, and other costs of living.

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

**State Agency contacted?**  No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,000,000	83%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	200,000	17%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2024-2025</b>	<b>1,200,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

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

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

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

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?**

Yes



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

Palm Beach County is the recipient of CARES US Treasury funds in the amount of \$261 million. Funding was spent entirely on emergency assistance, mortgage assistance, business grants, COVID-19 sheltering, testing and isolation, as well as on emergency personnel. Palm Beach County also received approximately \$290 million in American Rescue Plan Funding for pandemic-related service and infrastructure projects.

## 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    
  N/A

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	Hourly labor, after job-specific training, from existing management, will provide operational support to carry out meal service and distribution of "Grab & Go" fresh food grocery boxes.	150,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Supply costs will include purchasing pre-packaged fresh food grocery boxes plus delivery cost to the home when necessary of grocery boxes by a contractor. Costs will also include contractor-provided meals delivered and served at senior centers late afternoon, Monday through Friday, for "Early Bird Meal Program."	850,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>

### 14. Program Performance



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**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?**

Grocery boxes will be designed to supplement necessary nutrients needed but typically lacking in senior diets. Boxes will be provided to older adults and veterans struggling to make ends meet. Many are homebound and will need home delivery. Early Bird Meal component at PBC senior centers will provide additional healthy congregate meals and entice seniors and veterans to socialize and volunteer.

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

Nutritious food to be provided along with nutrition education and counseling by a registered dietitian. Hand-outs & cooking classes to be included in direct services array. Use of CNAs to assist homebound seniors with warming and preparing meals providing companionship.

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

The target population is veterans, the elderly, people with poor mental health, people with poor physical health, those who are economically disadvantaged, and the developmentally and physically disabled.

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

Each senior or veteran partaking in program will complete a Nutrition Assessment form. Individual declaration of portions of nutritious meal components at start of program and then annually will occur. Mental health questions as suggested by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs will be asked as well and documented. We expect to see an improved physical and mental well being of participants which will be determined by pre and post participation surveys.

**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?**

Corrective action plan, return of funding to the state if deliverables still fail to be met.

**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)



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- 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**