



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2023-2024

LFIR # 3022

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

With the cost of food, housing, and fuel continuing to rise, healthy food is out of reach for many working families in South Florida, especially Miami-Dade County. Feeding South Florida will work to provide immediate access to nutritious food, educate families about temporary benefits, and enroll individuals in Feeding South Florida workforce training programs to stabilize the family unit and help families move from a place of needing assistance to economic self-sufficiency.

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	3,386,861
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	3,386,861

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)	3,386,861	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	3,386,861	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.**

USDA-FNS has benefit assistance matching funds for workforce training and benefits assistance. To access these funds, DCF would require additional spending authority to draw down the federal funds; however, the impact to DCF is budget neutral.

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.

In 2020, Feeding South Florida received PPP funds to ensure staffing levels remained in tact in order to provide increased assistance to families and individuals who lost their jobs.

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	Project leads include Feeding South Florida's Director of Client Services and Director of Partner Services.	63,000
Other Salary and Benefits	Administrative costs include Finance for budgeting, billing, and contract administration; Human Resources for hiring and training additional team members; and Communications for sharing information with the community, especially those who wish to reach self-sufficiency.	158,220
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Team members critical to the success of Feeding South Florida's Inflation Mitigation Program include team members from the following areas; Client Services, Partner Services, Supply Chain, Warehouse, and Transportation.	2,079,671
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Cost to run the program include Transportation costs for trucks and insurance, Occupancy costs including utilities, Warehouse costs for equipment and database usage; Office Expense cost for equipment and technology; Professional Services for printing flyers and workforce training curricula.	1,085,970
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		3,386,861



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14. Program Performance

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

The purpose of the funds are to invest in our community by mitigating or eliminating barriers to healthy eating and moving families from a place of needing assistance to a place of economic self-sufficiency.

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

Feeding South Florida will work to stabilize a family unit or household helping to build a solid foundation of support that includes distribution of healthy food and meals, assisting families with benefits, enrolling families and individuals in Feeding South Florida's workforce training programs to help families achieve economic self-sufficiency.

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

Feeding South Florida will provide direct distribution of food and other grocery items; application assistance to citizens who may be potentially eligible for benefits; as well as hands-on workforce development and soft skill training for all individuals interested in making themselves more marketable in the workforce and gaining employment with a living wage.

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

Feeding South Florida will focus its efforts on families who are low income and have a combined household income of less than 185% of the federal poverty line. The goal is to ensure government assistance is temporary and families work on becoming self-sufficient. The project estimates that 10,000 families will be served.

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

The expected benefit is more families and individuals will become economically self-sufficient. This will help students increase performance, behavior and attendance at school, as well as help working adults be more productive and reduce sick time and accidents in the workplace.

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?

Feeding South Florida will work on a reimbursement basis. Once benchmarks or outcomes are met at regular intervals, Feeding South Florida will submit an invoice to the State for payment. If targets are not met, Feeding South Florida does not receive the 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)



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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