CROS Ministries' Gleaning program is one of the largest food recovery programs in the State of Florida because of the proximity to local farms and the variety and quantity of produce we can recover. Launched in 2003, the program helps to increase the availability of fresh fruits and vegetables for the food insecure population in our region. With the help of distribution partners including the Palm Beach County Food Bank, Feeding South Florida and others, the recovered produce is added into the food supply to give to people in need. According to Feeding America, 20 billion pounds of fruits and vegetables are discarded on farms or plowed under. The USDA has estimated that 35 million pounds of food is needed annually to feed hungry residents in Palm Beach County. During the 2018-19 season, (November - July), 604,674 pounds of fresh produce was recovered, providing the equivalent of 503,895 meals. (Based on Feeding America's equation of 1.2 lbs. of food = 1 meal)
10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

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| Other Salary and Benefits | 3% of Finance Officer Salary and Benefits = $2,750  
3% of Administrative Assistant Salary and Benefits = $1,350  
3% of Development Officer Salary and Benefits = $2,550 | 6,650 |
| **Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other** | | |
| **Consultants/Contracted Services/Study** | | |
| **Operational Costs: Other** | | |
| Salary and Benefits | 25% of Gleaning Director's Salary and Benefits = $13,100  
100% of New Gleaning Assistant Salary and Benefits = $48,500  
100% of Two (2) New Gleaning Seasonal Labor Positions Salary and Benefits = $27,600 | 89,200 |
| Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | Vehicle Purchase/Lease: Flatbed Truck / Trailer combo = $80,000  
Rent for Parking Truck = $2,400  
Fuel for Truck = $3,050  
Technology for new Gleaning Assistant (Laptop and phone) = $2,000 | 87,450 |
| Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | Seed money to conduct a comprehensive study for a pilot project exploring how hydroponic agriculture facilities can increase fresh food availability and create skilled jobs in the Glades while countering farmland development. Study to include research of existing funding opportunities within government, private, and public sectors, examining the number of people and resources needed for the project, and feasibility that this project is something our agency can do going forward. | 60,000 |
| **Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:** | | |
| Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering | | |
| **Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)** | | 250,000 |
11. Program Performance

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

CROS Ministries is a multi-county not-for-profit seeking matching state funds to increase the amount of pounds of fresh produce recovered from local farms that would otherwise go to waste and enter into the food system serving hungry children and families. CROS operates one of the largest food recovery programs in the State of Florida in collaboration with family farms and distribution partners.

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

CROS Gleaning will recover fresh fruits and vegetables that would otherwise go to waste and enter into the food system serving hungry children and families. During the 2018-19 season, (November - July), 604,674 pounds of fresh produce was recovered, providing 503,895 meals to hungry residents in Palm Beach County. (Based on Feeding America's equation of 1.2 lbs. of food = 1 meal)

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

Funding will enable CROS Ministries to recover an additional 200,000 pounds - 300,000 pounds of food. This will provide 166,667 - 250,000 meals to hungry residents in Palm Beach County. (Based on Feeding America's equation of 1.2 lbs. of food = 1 meal)

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

According to Feeding America, there are close to 200,000 residents in Palm Beach County struggle with hunger and have trouble putting nutritious food on the table. This is the population who benefit from our food recovery program, children, men, women, working families, seniors, veterans, the homeless, and people with mental and physical disabilities.

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 in the contract?

NO PENALTIES
12. 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.

N/A

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