



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2020-2021

LFIR # 2010

1. **Project Title** Feeding South Florida FRESH Initiatives - Economic Stability

2. **Senate Sponsor** Annette Taddeo

3. **Date of Request** 12/16/2019

4. **Project/Program Description**

FRESH stands for Food, Research, Economy, Sustainability and Health. As part of Feeding South Florida's economic FRESH Initiative, the aim is to break the cycle of hunger and poverty through workforce training and job placement within the food system and related industries. There are four training tracts: culinary, CDL/transportation, warehouse/inventory, and life-skills/budgeting/nutrition education.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds** Department of Economic Opportunity

State Agency contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,035,480
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	1,035,480

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1035480	75.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	350,000	25 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	1,385,480	100 %

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

If yes, provide the most recent instance:

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

9. **Is future-year funding likely to be requested?** ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year. 776,610



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10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>
Other Salary and Benefits	Finance department time and effort for consolidating reports, compiling expenses, and submitting for reimbursement.	20,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Salaries included for client services (caseworker) team and the four departments responsible for training: 1) culinary, 2) transportation, 3) warehouse, and 4) life-skills.	509,600
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Expenses include lease of warehouse equipment, kitchen equipment, Class A/B trucks, warehouse space, and technology for equipment (barcode readers, GPS tablets, etc.)	505,880
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>
Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)		1,035,480



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11. Program Performance

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

The purpose of the workforce development and job training program is to break the cycle of hunger and poverty by putting people to work, thereby creating self-sufficiency and household stability through upward, economic mobility. The program will also begin to generate revenue for Feeding South Florida, thereby enabling the organization to reinvest funds in added and expanded programming.

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

The Feeding South Florida workforce development program will provide industry-recognized credentials and include coursework and hands on training in the following areas: culinary arts, equipment repair, warehouse/logistics, and CDL/transportation.

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

Individuals will receive job training and workforce development to increase their marketability in the workforce. Graduates of the program will receive industry-approved credentials, job placement support, resume/interview skills training, customer service/professionalism coaching, and follow up training and support post-placement. Feeding South Florida's food industry partners have committed to hire graduates of the Feeding South Florida training and development program, knowing that Feeding South Florida graduates have specialized training.

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

The target population is anyone in need of job training or career advancement and development, looking to make a better life for themselves and their families, with a focus on at-risk populations such as young adults that have aged out of the foster care system, ex-offenders reintegrating into society, middle-aged individuals and veterans. Feeding South Florida anticipates ramping up to train the following number of people per program, per year after the second year: warehouse/logistics, 64; CDL/transportation, 40; culinary, 96; and equipment repair, 40; for a total of approximately 240 people per year.

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

The outcome of the project is an economically secure community in which individuals can provide for themselves and their families, thereby reducing the dependency on a charitable response. The goal is to "end the line" versus continuously "feeding it". Outcomes will be measured by the number of trained individuals with industry credentials, number of graduates placed in jobs, and number of employees still holding jobs within six months and a year's time. Feeding South Florida will track income levels and reliance on nonprofit and government assistance programs.

- 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?

While Feeding South Florida does not anticipate failing to meet deliverables, it understands the need for increased oversight, corrective action plans, and monitoring and reporting should the anticipated activities fail to occur within the proposed time frame.



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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

13. Requestor Contact Information

- a. First Name Last Name
- b. Organization
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.

14. 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
- f. Phone Number

15. Lobbyist Contact Information

- a. Name
- b. Firm Name
- c. E-mail Address
- d. Phone Number Ext.