



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request - Fiscal Year 2018-2019

1. **Title of Project:** Farm Share Program

2. **Senate Sponsor:** Anitere Flores

3. **Date of Submission:** 11/06/2017

4. **Project/Program Description:**

Provide food free of charge to families, children, senior citizens and individuals in need in an effort to fight hunger and poverty throughout the state of Florida. Farm Share will also partner with law enforcement agencies to use the power of food to help reduce crime in high crime neighborhoods and improve law enforcement/community relations.

5. **State Agency Contacted?** Yes

a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?

6. **Amount of Non-recurring Requested for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Amount Requested for Operations	Amount Requested for Fixed Capital Outlay	Total Amount of Requested State Funds
4,500,000	500,000	5,000,000

7. **Type, amount and percent of matching funds available for this project for fiscal year 2018-19:**

Type	Amount	Percent
Federal	0	0.0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0.0%
Local	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
TOTAL	0	0.0 %

8. **Total Project Cost for fiscal year 2018-19 (including the Total Amount of Requested State Funds):** 5,000,000

9. **Previous Year Funding Details:**

a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes

b. In the previous 5 fiscal years, how many years was funding provided? (Optional) 5

c. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2017-18

d. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No

e. Complete the following Worksheet.



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FY:	Input Prior FY Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 (If appropriated in FY 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)		
	Column: A	B	C
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds *	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds *	Total Funds Appropriated (Column A + Column B)
Input Amounts:	434,909	2,565,091	3,000,000

10. Is future-year funding likely to be requested?

Yes

a. If yes, indicate non-recurring amount per year.

\$5,000,000

11. Program Performance:

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

Acquisition and Distribution of healthy and nutrition fruits, vegetables, non-perishable food products and proteins to partner agencies (soup kitchens, food pantries, churches, law enforcement agencies, etc...) throughout the state of Florida. These partners agencies then distribute the food directly to persons in need in the regions and local communities that they serve. We also directly distribute food to families, children, seniors and individuals in need utilizing our fleet of semi-trucks and box trucks to take the food directly into communities not served by a partner agency.

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

Farm Share holds more than 300 Community Food Distributions each year statewide. These food distribution provide food directly to those persons identified below in high poverty communities. Farm Share frequently partners with other social service organizations to provide health screenings, educational opportunities and job training on site in conjunction with the distribution of food. Farm Share also partners with law enforcement agencies to distribute food thus helping to bridge the divide between law enforcement and the communities they serve.

c. How will the funds be expended?

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Director/Project Head Salary and		



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Benefits		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Salary and Benefits	Administration, recordkeeping, operations management	218,447
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Office supplies, copy machines, computers, etc..	75,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Audit and Accounting	65,000
Operational Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salary and Benefits	Programming Staff, employees (truck drivers, warehouse workers, etc...)	514,104
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Operational costs (fuel, truck repairs, capital asset acquisition, purchase new semi-trucks and box trucks, fork lifts, storage bins, etc...)	3,627,449
<input type="checkbox"/> Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Installation of additional coolers, freezers and compressors, storage rack installation/repair, roof replacement/repair	500,000
TOTAL		5,000,000

d. What are the direct services to be provided to citizens by the appropriations project?

Acquisition and Distribution of healthy and nutritious fruits, vegetables and other non-persihable food products and proteins to families, children, seniors and individuals in need throughout Florida.

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

Families, children, seniors and individuals who are hungry and living in poverty. More than 31 million indivial are expected to be served.

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



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Feeding those who are hungry and fighting to end poverty in Florida. Farm Share tracks the total pounds of food distributed annually as well as the total number of households served.

- g. 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?**

Farm Share has historically been reimbursed for costs incurred to acquire and distribute food. We do not receive the allocated legislative dollars unless we perform the services first. Therefore, penalties are not needed since if the deliverables are not met no money is paid.

- 12. The owner(s) of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owner(s) of the facility and the entity.**

Farm Share, Inc., The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (landlord) and Lutheran Social Services (landlord).

- 13. Requestor Contact Information:**

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- b. **Organization:** Farm Share, Inc.
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- 14. Recipient Contact Information:**

- a. **Organization:** Farm Share, Inc.
- b. **County:** Broward, Duval, Gadsden, Miami-Dade
- c. **Organization Type:**
 - For Profit
 - Non Profit 501(c) (3)
 - Non Profit 501(c) (4)
 - Local Entity
 - University or College
 - Other (Please specify)
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- 15. If there is a registered lobbyist, fill out the lobbyist information below.**

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