



The Florida Senate

Local Funding Initiative Request

Fiscal Year 2021-2022

LFIR # 2080

1. Project Title

2. Senate Sponsor

3. Date of Request

4. Project/Program Description

Feeding Florida partners with Florida farmers to source fresh product that would otherwise not find its way into the supply chain (due to the appearance of the product cosmetically blemished or due to market shifts) to distribute through our 12 member Food Banks throughout the State of Florida, in partnership with over 2,500 partner agencies. Working through our network, we ensure that food insecure Floridians have access to healthy, nutritious food and are connected to the services they need.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

State Agency contacted?

6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	5,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
Total State Funds Requested	5,000,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	5,000,000	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 2021-2022	5,000,000	100%

8. Has this project previously received state funding?

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2020-21	450,000	1,250,000		No

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.

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.

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

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits	Partial compensation for support staff to coordinate member engagements, analyze transportation expense tracking, monitor accounting and auditing processes and interface with the public on Feeding Florida operations.	30,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Partial compensation for consulting support on hunger topics, health related issues, food supply chain analyses, distribution planning, food and funding allocation, population analysis and supporting data analysis of food bank operations.	50,000
Operational Costs: Other		
Salary and Benefits	Partial compensation for staffing to support statewide efforts on produce recovery and distribution.	50,000
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Acquisition of produce, protein and dairy from Florida farmers and distributors. Payment of harvesting and packing fees associated with recovery. These fees are paid directly to Florida based agricultural businesses. Includes partial coverage of the transportation costs associated with movement of products.	4,870,000
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)		5,000,000

12. Program Performance

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

Feeding Florida partners with Florida Farmers to source fresh product to food insecure Floridians. Working through our network, we ensure that food insecure Floridians have access to healthy, nutritious food and are connected to the services they need.

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

All activities are associated with the analysis, acquisition and distribution of Florida products to the food insecure citizens of Florida.

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

Funding will be utilized to provide health nutritious food to food insecure Floridians.

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

The target population includes elderly persons, persons with poor mental health, economically disadvantaged persons, at-risk youth, homeless, developmentally disabled, physically disabled, preschool students, high school students, university and college students.

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



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be measured?

Feeding Florida works with farms in the Farmers Feeding Florida program to source and distribute fresh products that would otherwise not make it into the retail market. We estimate that approximately 300 MM pounds of produce never enters into the supply chain annually. Through this program, we are able to recover this produce and economically provide the produce to the tables of needy Floridians. The methodology will be measured by the evaluation of the number of pounds of product recovered through Florida-based agricultural-based businesses.

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 Florida must submit evidence of performance prior to drawing down the funds. Feeding Florida is reimbursed \$0.23 for every pound of fresh Florida produce recovered and is paid after the product is sourced. The agency has the authority to withhold payment for failure to perform.

13. 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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14. Requestor Contact Information

a. First Name Last Name

b. Organization

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number Ext.

15. 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

16. Lobbyist Contact Information

a. Name

b. Firm Name

c. E-mail Address

d. Phone Number