

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2018-19

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Feeding Florida
2. Date of Submission: 11/08/2017
3. House Member Sponsor: Jake Raburn
Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? Yes
If answer to 4a is ?No? skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d, Col. E
- b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded? 2017-18
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request:

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2017-18 <i>(If appropriated in 2017-18 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2018-19 <i>(Requests for additional RECURRING funds are prohibited.)</i>		
Column:	A	B	C	D	E	F
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated <i>(Recurring plus Nonrecurring: column A + column B)</i>	Recurring Base Budget <i>(Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)</i>	Additional Nonrecurring Request	TOTAL Nonrecurring plus Recurring Base Funds <i>(Will equal the amount from the Recurring base in Column D plus the Additional Nonrecurring Request in Column E.)</i>
Input Amounts:	450,000	2,050,000	2,500,000	450,000	5,000,000	5,450,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2018-19? Yes
 - 5a. If yes, which state agency? Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
 - 5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested?
 - 5c. Has the appropriate state agency for administering the funding, if the request were appropriated, been contacted? Yes
 - 5d. Describe penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures which the agency should provide in its contract to administer the funding if appropriated.

Feeding Florida must submit evidence of performance prior to drawing down the funds. Feeding Florida is reimbursed .20 cents for every pound of fresh Florida produce recovered and is paid after the produce is sourced. The agency has the authority to withhold payment.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Robin Safley
- b. Organization: Feeding Florida
- c. Email: robin@feedingflorida.org
- d. Phone #: (850)545-6400

7. Contact for questions about specific technical or financial details about the project:

- a. Name: Robin Safley
- b. Organization: Feeding Florida
- c. Email: robin@feedingflorida.org
- d. Phone #: (850)545-6400

8. Is there a registered lobbyist working to secure funding for this project?

- a. Name: Travis Blanton
- b. Firm: Johnson and Blanton
- c. Email: travis@teamjb.com
- d. Phone #: (850)224-1900

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Feeding Florida
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Statewide
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Statewide

10. What type of organization is the entity that will receive the funds? (Select one)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government
- University or College

Other (Please describe)

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

Feeding Florida partners with Florida farmers to source fresh product that would otherwise not find its way into the supply chain (due to it being cosmetically blemished or market shifts) to distribute through our 14-member Food Banks throughout the State of Florida in partnership with approximately 2400 partner agencies. Working through our network, we ensure that Floridians who are food insecure have daily access to healthy nutritious food and are connected to the services they need.

12. Provide specific details on how funds will be spent. (Select all that apply)

Spending Category	Description	Nonrecurring (Should equal 4d, Col. E) Enter ?0? if request is zero for the category
Administrative Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits	salary	60,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits	additional salary/benefits	30,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Includes expenses associated with operation of the business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Travel to produce donor sites, food banks, agencies and other locations - Costs of office operation, including computers, phones, associated with Farmers Feeding Florida Program. 	30,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Costs of professional assistance for the operation such as accountants, legal support, IT support for servers associated with the Farmers Feeding Florida Program	35,000
Operational Costs:		

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	This covers the costs of the Director of Produce Recovery. This a fulltime positon that is responsible for engagement with the Florida agricultural community and establishment of donation streams of fresh produce into the Feeding Florida network of food banks	50,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	The majority of this amount (\$2,942,500) is for the acquisition of fresh produce from Florida growers and distributors. Although some produce is obtained at zero cost, payment of harvesting and packing fees are most often charged by donors to offset some of the variable costs associated with the donation. This figure is estimated for the 18/19 period as 30 million pounds at an average cost per pound of \$0.08 for the produce and \$0.027 for transportation costs from source point to food bank. T	4,295,500
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Given the physical limitations of our existing infrastructure?s ability to handle fresh produce, a study of extending fresh produce shelf life through processing will expand our ability to absorb Florida?s abundance of produce. The seasonality of Florida?s crops provides a large amount of product during the October ? May period, but the summer and early fall contain many gaps in	250,000

	supply. In season, the short shelf life of most produce is also a challenge with both food banks and agencies. Both	
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering	Improvements to existing physical facilities - food bank/agency pantry. This is focused on agency development, since cooler capacity has been identified as the biggest challenge to getting fresh produce passed through the "last mile" down to the client level.	249,500
TOTAL		5,000,000

13. For the Fixed Capital Costs requested with this issue (In Question 12, category ?h. Fixed Capital Outlay? was selected), what type of ownership will the facility be under when complete? (Select one correct option)

- For Profit
- Non Profit 501(c) (3)
- Non Profit 501(c) (4)
- Local Government (e.g., police, fire or local government buildings, local roads, etc.)
- State agency owned facility (For example: college or university facility, buildings for public schools, roads in the state transportation system, etc.)
- Other (Please describe)

14. Is the project request an information technology project?

No

15. Is there any documented show of support for the requested project in the community including public hearings, letters of support, major organizational backing, or other expressions of support?

No

16. Has the need for the funds been documented by a study, completed by an independent 3rd party, for the area to be served?

Yes

16a. Please Describe:

Many studies have been done documenting hunger and food insecurity in Florida and the effects that has on development of children and health for all in need.

17. Will the requested funds be used directly for services to citizens?

Yes

17a. What are the activities and services that will be provided to meet the purpose of the funds?

n/a

17b. Describe the direct services to be provided to the citizens by the funding requested.

A portion of the funding will be utilized to provide food and nutrition education to all food insecure Floridians. The remaining portion will be used to invest in the infrastructure of the Feeding Florida network. Feeding Florida's network is a member of the State Emergency Response Team specifically ESF 6. During activation the Feeding Florida network is instrumental in staging and distributing resources to the affected areas. During Hurricane Irma working with the state, FEMA and Feeding America the Feeding Florida network distributed in excess of 35 million pounds of food and water. We are the lead agency for long term feeding as the state recovers. This appropriate will be used to enhance the Feeding Florida food distribution infrastructure to ensure that current and projected needs can be accommodated during both disaster response and daily food distribution to those in need under non-disaster conditions.

17c. Describe the target population to be served (i.e., "the majority of the funds requested will serve these target populations or groups.").

Select all that apply to the target population:

- Elderly persons
- Persons with poor mental health
- Persons with poor physical health
- Jobless persons
- Economically disadvantaged persons
- At-risk youth
- Homeless
- Developmentally disabled
- Physically disabled
- Drug users (in health services)
- Preschool students
- Grade school students

- High school students
- University/college students
- Currently or formerly incarcerated persons
- Drug offenders (in criminal Justice)
- Victims of crime
- General (The majority of the funds will benefit no specific group)
- Other (Please describe)

17d. How many in the target population are expected to be served?

- < 25
- 25-50
- 51-100
- 101-200
- 201-400
- 401-800
- >800

18. What benefits or outcomes will be realized by the expenditure of funds requested? (Select each Benefit/Outcome that applies)

Benefit or Outcome	Provide a specific measure of the benefit or outcome	Describe the method for measuring level of benefit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health	<p>Like poverty, food insecurity is a dynamic, intensely complex issue. For many families, seemingly small changes to income, expenses, or access to federal or state assistance programs may instantly reduce the ability to purchase healthy food and result in increased vulnerability to food insecurity. Moreover, families and children do not feel the impact of hunger at just the dinner table; food insecurity manifests itself in many other social outcomes, including health, education, and economic pros</p>	<p>Food insecurity can have negative impacts on children?s health and academic achievement. These impacts on individual children can add up to significant consequences for American society as whole.</p>

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health	<p>? Food insecurity in early childhood (ages 0-3) is associated with impaired cognitive development, which can negatively impact a child's future potential academic and economic success. ? Across children of all ages, food insecurity is linked with lower academic achievement.</p>	<p>? Hungry children are sick more often and are 31% more likely to be hospitalized, at an average cost of approximately \$12,000 per pediatric hospitalization. ? Food insecure children are 3.4 times more likely to be overweight or obese.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education	<p>Feeding Florida's works with growers in the Farmers Feeding Florida program to source and distribute fresh produce that otherwise would not become a part of the supply chain either due to the produce being cosmetically blemished or the retail market shifts and it is no longer affordable for the produce to be harvested. We estimate conservatively that approximately 300 MM pounds of produce never makes it into the supply chain annually.</p>	<p>Through Farmers Feeding Florida we are economically able to assist growers in defraying the cost of picking and packing the product. Our Food Bank members and their partner agencies conduct nutrition education in each community introducing fresh produce to families in need.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enhance/preserve/improve environmental or fish and wildlife quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Protect the general public from harm (environmental, criminal, etc.)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve transportation conditions		

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity	The legislative appropriation goes to assist in defraying the cost of picking the produce and packing the produce by the grower allowing the grower to harvest more product.	The legislative appropriation goes to assist in defraying the cost of picking the produce and packing the produce by the grower allowing the grower to harvest more product.
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency	Feeding Florida's clients subsist on lower incomes, with a majority reporting that they live below the poverty line.	? MEDIAN ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME: 74% of Households served by Feeding Florida live in poverty
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce recidivism		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reduce substance abuse		
<input type="checkbox"/> Divert from Criminal/Juvenile justice system		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve wastewater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve stormwater management		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve groundwater quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve drinking water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve surface water quality		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2018-19 from all sources of funding (Enter ?0? if amount is zero):

Type of Funding	Amount	Percent of Total	Are the other sources of funds guaranteed in writing?

1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request:	5,000,000	100.0%	N/A
2. Federal:	0	0.0%	No
3. State: (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column F)	0	0.0%	No
4. Local:	0	0.0%	No
5. Other:	0	0.0%	No
TOTAL	5,000,000	100%	

20. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

Yes

20a. How much state funding would be requested after 2018-19 over the next 5 years?

- <1M
- 1-3M
- >3-10M
- >10M

20b. How many additional years of state support do you expect to need for this project?

- 1 year
- 2 years
- 3 years
- 4 years
- >= 5 years

20c. What is the total project cost for all years including all federal, local, state, and any other funds? Select the single answer which best describes the total project cost. If funds requested are for ongoing services or for recurring activities, select ?ongoing activity?.

- ongoing activity ? no total cost
- <1M
- 1-3M
- >3-10M

○>10M