

Agriculture and Natural Resources Policy Committee

Meeting Packet

January 13, 2010 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm 102 Reed Hall

Committee Meeting Notice HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Start Date and Time:

Wednesday, January 13, 2010 01:00 pm

End Date and Time:

Wednesday, January 13, 2010 05:00 pm

Location:

Reed Hall (102 HOB)

Duration:

4.00 hrs

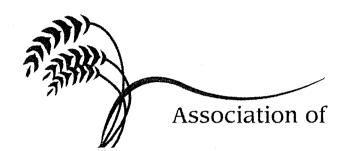
Presentation by Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services on the impact of recent freezes on Florida agriculture

Presentation by Farm Share, Inc.

Presentation by The Florida Association of Food Banks

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Envisioning a Hunger-Free Florida

National Hunger Relief

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Nation's largest hunger relief organization 206 Food Banks nationwide Network Food Banks in every state, every county

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FAFB Mission

The Florida Association of Food Banks (FAFB) is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization committed to ending hunger. We coordinate the statewide activities of our members, enabling them to better provide a healthy and adequate food supply for people in need. Among our member services:

Enhanced statewide communication
Acquisition of food and funds
Public awareness about hunger issues and
the role of food banks

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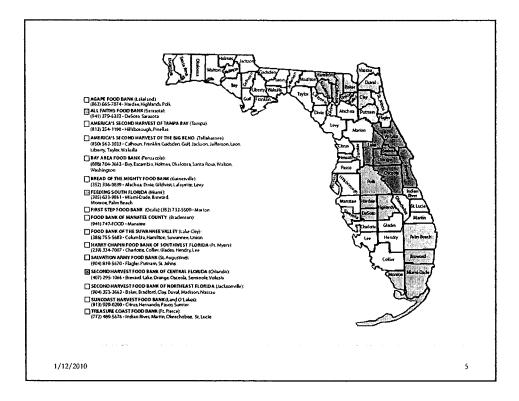
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FAFB Network

- 16 Food Banks
- 22 facilities with 300,000+ square feet of warehouse space
- 67 Florida Counties
- 3,000+ non-profit & faith-based partner agencies feeding people (free of charge) 7 million pounds every month statewide 90 million pounds of food annually Adhere to national and state standards

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Where the food comes from:

- Donated from
 - Manufacturers
 - Producers
 - Stores
 - Distributors
 - Farmers

USDA Commodities - The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) Community Food Drives Food Purchase Programs

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Where the food goes:

Food banks deliver food to partner agencies and local sites

USDA reports **12.2%** of Floridians are struggling with hunger, i.e. "food insecure"

35% increase in need nationally

40% of families served have at least one person working

38% are children

18% are elderly, often choosing between housing, medicine or food

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How we do it:

- 77 dedicated vehicles, including
 - 8 tractor trailers
 - 49 refrigerated trucks
- 20 dry trucks

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Disaster Response and Recovery

Leadership roles with local and State Emergency Operations Centers

Partners include Volunteer Florida, American Red Cross and Salvation Army

Nearly 8 million pounds of disaster relief food since 2004

Value exceeding \$11 million

More than **5 million meals** were provided to Floridians in crisis

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Florida's Economy – Today's Disaster

Unemployment 11.5%, some counties near 14% More than 400,000 people on food stamps have no cash income – up 113% since 2007 "Ground Zero" for Mortgage Foreclosures

2008-09 Total Expenses for 16 Food Banks: **\$44,296,204**

2008-09 Total Distribution to Needy Clients:

90,386,842 lbs of food and grocery items 2008-2009 transportation costs

\$3,543,793

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FAFB Legislative Budget Request

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) Budget request

\$1.5 million

less than 1/2 of FAFB transportation costs

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Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

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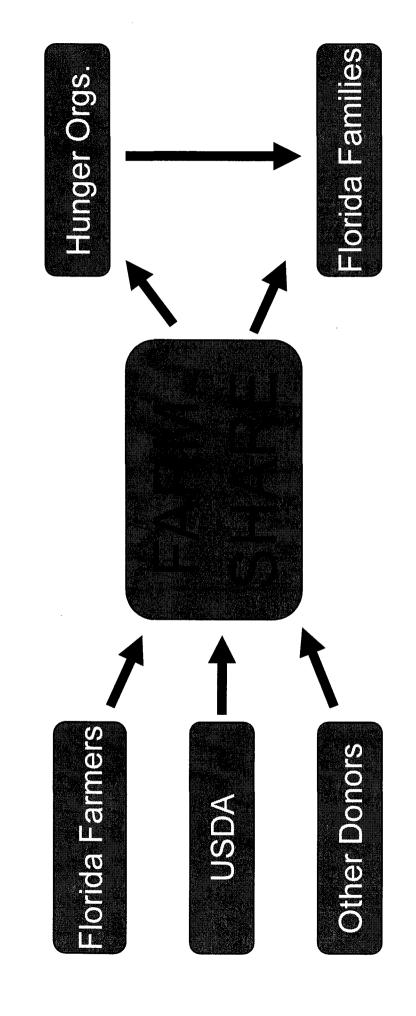
Respect, Self Esteem, Achievement

Love - Friends, Family, Belonging

Security of Self, Family (laws), Employment

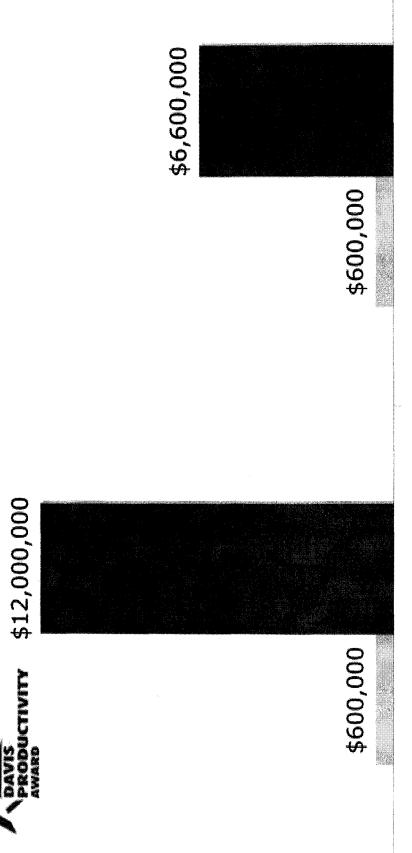
Air, Water, Food, etc.

Food Flowchart



FARM SHARE and FOOD STAMPS

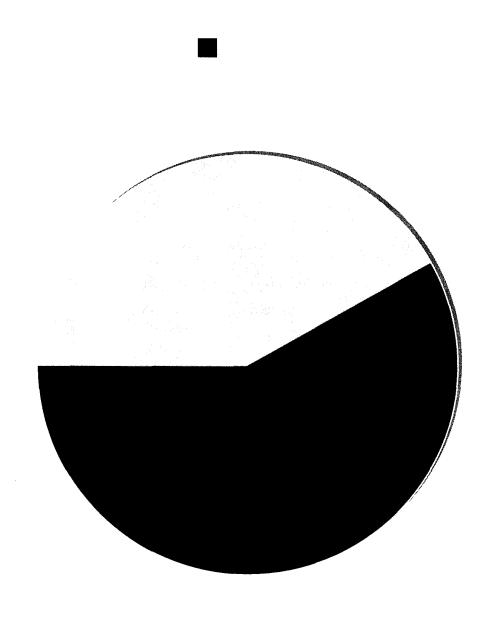
Budget Benefit



Farm Share

Food Stamps

Most are Elderly & Children



Many Have Jobs

