

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2018-19

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: Treasure Coast Food Bank
2. Date of Submission: 11/07/2017
3. House Member Sponsor: Larry Lee
Members Copied:

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
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?
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed?
- 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> | | |
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| 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: | | | | | 2,450,000 | 2,450,000 |

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2018-19? No
 - 5a. If yes, which state agency?
 - 5b. If no, which is the most appropriate state agency to place an appropriation for the issue being requested? Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
 - 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.

Our organization would be required to return the money appropriated to us if we did not meet the deliverables provided by the agency administering.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Judith Cruz
- b. Organization: Treasure Coast Food Bank
- c. Email: jcruz@tcfoodbank.org
- d. Phone #: (772)446-1755

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

- a. Name: Judith Cruz
- b. Organization: Treasure Coast Food Bank
- c. Email: jcruz@tcfoodbank.org
- d. Phone #: (772)446-1755

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

- a. Name: None
- b. Firm: None
- c. Email:
- d. Phone #:

9. Organization or Name of entity receiving funds:

- a. Name: Treasure Coast Food Bank, Inc.
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): St. Lucie
- 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?

To provide food insecure Floridians with access to fresh, healthy food through processing and value-added product capabilities, while also boosting the local economy by providing new revenue streams to local farmers, job training, and the creation of employment opportunities.

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 |
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| Administrative Costs: | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | |
| Operational Costs: | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other | Cost of three (3) refrigerated trucks to be utilized for fresh produce pickup and delivery | 450,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study | | |
| Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation: | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering | Equipment for our produce processing facility, including 100 and 200 gallon titling steam kettles, tumble chill lines, produce wash systems, culinary test kitchen, | 2,000,000 |

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| | freezers, coolers, rolling tables, racks, washers, and all necessary commercial production kitchen items. Also includes repairs to the roof, upgrading our current septic system, renovations to expand, enclose, and cool our volunteer sorting, and a cool air dispersion system to improve temperature control throughout our whole warehouse | |
| TOTAL | | 2,450,000 |

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?

Yes

15a. Please Describe:

We have received letters of support from various legislators, government entities, and community businesses for this project, including Rep. Gayle Harrell, Rep. Cary Pigman, Sen. Bill Nelson, Rep. Bill Posey, Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services, City of Fort Pierce, St. Lucie County, Economic Development Council of St. Lucie County, St. Lucie County School District, Martin Health Systems, and Big Red Tomato Packers.

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

No

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?

As the state's only processing facility, we can process 25 million pounds of food for Florida's agriculture industry and assist them in receiving successful bids for lucrative food contracts unavailable to them due to exorbitant costs associated with processing their products out of state, creating a new form of revenue for Florida farmers.

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

Job Training & Employment: We will have the ability to train and employ people for food processing and culinary arts jobs through this facility. Participants in the Culinary Training Kitchen can find future work at area restaurants, resorts, and hotels or become small business entrepreneurs.

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 |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve physical health | Increased healthy food options through our project will help improve rates of obesity, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and other health risk factors associated with low food security. | Decreases in these factors in all counties receiving product from our facility on Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Annual County Health Rankings as well as an improvement in the "limited access to healthy food" and "food insecurity" health factors. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education | The project will increase the revenue of Florida farmers by purchasing produce to be processed in our facility. | The project will increase the revenue of Florida farmers by purchasing produce to be processed in our facility. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improve quality of education | | |

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| <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 operation of this project will allow us to create new markets for local farmers and invest 25 million into the local agricultural community. | We will track the number of pounds purchased from local Florida farmers and the number of new markets opened to them. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities | The facility will immediately hire 15 employees upon completion of the construction | We will track the number of employees hired within the first fully operational year of the project. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Enhance specific individual's economic self sufficiency | | |
| <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe): Increase Access to Healthy Nutritious Food to improve food security among | Increase number of meals provided to people in need | Distribution reports of total meals prepared and distributed through the |

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| underserved populations | | project. |
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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? |
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| 1. Amount Requested from the State in this Appropriations Project Request: | 2,450,000 | 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 | 2,450,000 | 100% | |

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

No