

Appropriations Project Request - Fiscal Year 2020-21

For projects meeting the Definition of House Rule 5.14

1. Title of Project: CROS Ministries - Gleaning Fruits and Vegetables
2. Date of Submission: 10/30/2019
3. House Member Sponsor: Tina Polsky
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 2019-20 <i>(If appropriated in 2019-20 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)</i>			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2020-21 <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:					250,000	250,000

5. Are funds for this issue requested in a state agency's Legislative Budget Request submitted for FY 2020-21? 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? No
 - 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.

Withhold funding until deliverables are met.

6. Requester:

- a. Name: Ruth Mageria
- b. Organization: Christians Reaching Out to Society, Inc. (CROS Minsitries)
- c. Email: rmargeria@crosmministries.org
- d. Phone #: (561)317-5319

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

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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: Christians Reaching Out to Society, Inc. (CROS Ministries)
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended): Palm Beach
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding): Martin, Palm Beach

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?

CROS Ministries is a multi-county not for profit seeking matching state funds to increase the amount of pounds of fresh produce recovered from local farms that would otherwise go to waste and entered into the food system serving hungry children and families. CROS operates one of the largest food recovery programs in the State of Florida in collaboration with family farms and distribution partners.

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	5% of Executive Director Salary and Benefits = \$6,700	6,700
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. Other Salary and Benefits	3% of Finance Officer Salary and Benefits = \$2,750 3% of Administrative Assistant Salary and Benefits = \$1,350 3% of Development Officer Salary and Benefits = \$2,550	6,650
<input type="checkbox"/> c. Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		
<input type="checkbox"/> d. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Operational Costs:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Salaries and Benefits	25% of Gleaning Director's Salary and Benefits = \$13,100 100% of New Gleaning Assistant Salary and Benefits = \$48,500 100% of Two (2) New Gleaning Seasonal Labor Positions Salary = \$27,600	89,200

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> f. Expenses/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Vehicle Purchase/Lease: Flatbed Truck / Trailer combo = \$80,000 Rent for Parking Truck = \$2,400 Fuel for Truck = \$3,050 Technology for new Gleaning Assistant (Laptop and phone) = \$2,000	87,450
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> g. Consultants/Contracted Services/Study	Seed money to conduct a comprehensive study for a pilot project exploring how hydroponic agriculture facilities can increase fresh food availability and create skilled jobs in the Glades while countering farmland development. Study to include research of existing funding opportunities within government, private, and public sectors, examining the number of people and resources needed for the project, and feasibility that this project is something are agency can do going forward.	60,000
Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:		
<input type="checkbox"/> h. Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		
TOTAL		250,000

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?

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?

CROS Gleaning will recover fresh fruits and vegetables that would otherwise go to waste. During the 2018-19 season, (November - July), 604,674 pounds of fresh produce was recovered, providing 503,895 meals to hungry residents in Palm Beach County. (Based on Feeding America's equation of 1.2 lbs. of food = 1 meal)

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

\$250,000 will enable CROS Ministries to recover an additional 200,000 pounds - 300,000 pounds of food. This will provide 166,667 - 250,000 meals to hungry residents in Palm Beach County. (Based on Feeding America's equation of 1.2 lbs. of food = 1 meal)

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): Food insecure families and individuals

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	1. To increase access of fresh fruits and vegetables to households who are food insecure. 2. To increase access to nutritious meals for households who are food insecure.	1. Total number of pounds of fresh produce provided to distribution partners. 2. Total number of meals provided to food insecure households through distribution partners.
<input type="checkbox"/> Improve mental health		
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrich cultural experience		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve agricultural production/promotion/education	To conduct a comprehensive study	Completed study on how hydroponic

	on how hydroponic agriculture facilities can increase fresh food availability, create skilled jobs in the Glades, and provide ongoing funding streams to sustain the program going forward.	agriculture facilities can increase fresh food availability, create skilled jobs in the Glades, and provide ongoing funding streams to sustain the program going forward.
<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 type="checkbox"/> Increase or improve economic activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase tourism		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create specific immediate job opportunities	To create skilled jobs in the Glades while countering farmland development. Funds needed to create these new positions. We will seek alternative funding to continue to pay for salaries going forward.	Number of new jobs created.
<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 type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe):		

19. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2020-21 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:	250,000	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	250,000	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 2020-21 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