

Budget Detail Request - Fiscal Year 2016-17

Your request will not be officially submitted unless all questions and applicable sub parts are answered.

1. Title of Project: Treasure Coast Research Park Food Business Incubator
2. Date of Submission: 12/01/2015
3. House Member Sponsor(s): Larry Lee

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
- 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? No
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request (Note that Column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in Column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2015-16 (If appropriated in FY 2015-16 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2016-17 (If no new Recurring or Nonrecurring funding is requested, enter zeros.)			
	Column: A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column A + Column B)	Recurring Base Budget (Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)	INCREASED or NEW Recurring Requested	TOTAL Nonrecurring Requested (Nonrecurring is one time funding & must be re-requested every year)	Total Funds Requested Over Base Funding (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column E + Column F)
Input Amounts:					0	2,000,000	2,000,000

- e. New Nonrecurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs
- f. New Recurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs

5. Requester:

- a. Name: Nicole Fogarty
- b. Organization: St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners
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6. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds:

- a. Name: St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended) Saint Lucie
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding) Saint Lucie

7. Write a project description that will serve as a stand-alone summary of the project for legislative review. The description should summarize the entire project's intended purpose, the purpose of the funds requested (if request is a sub-part of the entire project), and most importantly the detail on how the funds requested will be spent - for example how much will be spent on positions and associated salaries, specifics on capital costs, and detail of operational expenses. The summary must list what local, regional or statewide interests or areas are served. It should also document the need for the funds, the community support and expected results when applicable. Be sure to include the type and amount of services as well as the number of the specific target population that will be served (such as number of home health visits to X, # of elderly, # of school aged children to receive mentoring, # of violent crime victims to receive once a week counseling etc.)

Treasure Coast Research Park Food Business Incubator/Sunshine Kitchen Purpose: The Treasure Coast Research Park is requesting funding for the construction of an 8,000 square feet food business incubator. This project will house a commercial kitchen of a wet and dry designated area and research lab specifically designed to help aid users in the development of their product. Specific Details on Spending of Funds:

Kitchen Equipment-----			
-----\$350,000	Community Outreach Resource Center -----	\$100,000	Green House Construction
and Equipment -----	-----\$300,000	Aquaponics Research Center and Technology-----	-----\$400,000
Tenant Improvement Construction-----	-----\$300,000	Crop Research-----	-----
-----\$100,000	Engineering, Design, Project Management and Contractual Services -----	\$150,000	Solar Panels, Low Water Plumbing, Wind
Turbine, Chill Water Loops, and	Storm Shutters and Back-up Power Supply -----	\$300,000	

TOTAL:..... \$2,000,000 Type and Amount of Services: This incubator will serve food entrepreneurs to help in the development of their product, process, market or package and to promote the product. The incubator will connect the entrepreneur with professional business consultative services to assist in developing a business plan for the venture in order to ensure a sustainable operation. It will also provide a bridge for growing food processing entrepreneurs to reach to the next level. Need for Funds: Food business incubators or Kitchen incubators are mostly found in those countries with significant levels of food safety regulation where capital investment in commercial kitchen equipment can be prohibitive for a new business. By covering the capital cost of shared kitchen facilities which are lent on a timeslot basis to incubatees, the kitchen incubator enables a business to develop to the stage where it can invest in its own kitchen facilities. By mitigating start-up costs and providing a nurturing environment,

business incubators have successfully graduated over 87% of their firms and kept an astounding 84% of these thriving businesses within their local communities for years after graduation (The National Business Incubation Association). Community Support: Community support for this project involves the St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners, US Economic Development Administration, Board of the Treasure Coast Research Park and most importantly the St. Lucie County, State, and Federal Legislative Delegations. Expected Results: Our goal is to create 250 direct and 750 indirect jobs over the next 10 years. Local, Regional, Statewide Interest: This incubator will be the first in the State of Florida; however, there are others such as this across the United States, Specific Target Population to be Served - The target population will include the following: -- Start-up food businesses in need of their first facility; -- Home-based businesses that wish to legalize and grow their operation; -- Established businesses relying on one-off or difficult situation kitchen rentals; and -- Established businesses looking to grow or reach a new market.

8. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2016-17 from all sources of funding:

Federal: 895,000

State: 0 (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column G)

Local: 1,000,000

Other: 0

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

No