



### State of South Carolina Request for Contribution Distribution

This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act of 2022 and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution for the designated organization.

#### Contribution Information

\$200,000.00	State Agency Providing the Contribution J020 - Department of Health and Human Services	Purpose Renovation of FoodShare SC Distribution Hub and Training Center (201 Columbia Mall Blvd,
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#### Organization Information

Entity Name	South Carolina Research Foundation, FoodShare
Address	1600 Hampton Street, Suite 414
City/State/Zip	Columbia, SC, 29708
Website	https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/spons
Tax ID#	7358-19
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

#### Organization Contact Information

Contact Name	Ommie-Salma Raheemullah
Position/Title	Director of Advocacy and Policy
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#### Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:

Description	Budget	Explanation
Electrical Trim Out (Durseley Mechanical)	\$42,000.00	Light fixtures, switches, receptacles - building interior
Walk-in cooler: Wilson Refrigeration	\$38,000.00	Keeps the produce at optimal temperature
Supplies, signage for warehouse	\$25,613.00	Supplies needed for warehouse start up.
Drop Ceiling, sound bats, and ceiling tile for kitchen (Collins & Wright)	\$94,387.00	Structural support for ceiling within entire 18,000
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$200,000.00</b>	

#### Please explain how these funds will be used to provide a public benefit:

FoodShare South Carolina has been in operation since 2015, providing community members in need with affordable access to fresh healthy produce, as well as education on diet-related diseases. We were initially co-located in the Save-a-Lot grocery store off Harden Street in the Historic Waverly and Allen Benedict Court neighborhoods of Columbia. The Save-a-Lot property was closed in 2019 and we were forced to find a new home. We were very fortunate to receive a no-cost 20 year lease from Bishop Freeman on his property at 201 Columbia Mall Blvd. We immediately started fundraising for the costs of renovations for the building which would expand our operations and office areas, warehouse, and teaching kitchen. We were fortunate to be able to fundraise the \$800,000 in renovation costs and started renovations in December 2019. In March 2020, due to the Covid-19 outbreak, we were forced to stop our renovation work. We recommenced in January of 2021 when it was safe to do so, though in November 2021 we were forced to reassess the cost of the project due to Covid-related supply chain delays and massive labor shortages. The cost of raw materials had skyrocketed: lumber and plywood had increased by 63%, copper and brass increased by 44% and steel mill products increased by 40%. This increased our renovation cost by \$412,000, for which we are seeking \$200,000 in support from the state. FoodShare SC's flagship program is the Fresh Food Box, that we pack and distribute every other week, and is filled with 18lbs of fresh fruits and vegetables (9-11 varieties) for \$5 on SNAP/food stamps or \$15 in cash. We are able to provide such a favorable price point because we purchase the produce in bulk and pass on the savings to our customers. The Fresh Food Box is vital to meeting the health and nutrition needs of low-income

#### Organization Certifications

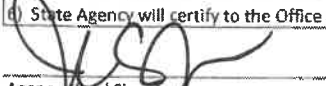
- 1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
- 2) Organization certifies that it will provide quarterly spending reports to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 3) Organization certifies that it will provide an accounting at the end of the fiscal year to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.

  
 Organization Signature  
 Kelly Epting  
 Printed Name

CFO  
 Title  
 12/6/2022  
 Date

#### Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution

- 1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act of 2022.
- 2) State Agency certifies that the Organization has set forth a public purpose to be served through receipt of the expenditure.
- 3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
- 4) State Agency certifies that it will provide the quarterly spending reports and accounting received from the organization to the Senate Finance Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by June 30, 2023.
- 5) State Agency certifies that it will publish on their website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act of 2022.
- 6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2023.

  
 Agency Head Signature  
 Jenny Stirling for Dir. Kerr  
 Printed Name

12/6/2022  
 Date