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Full Legal Organization Name (Required)	Florida Dream Center, Inc.
Street Address (Required)	4017 56th Ave N
City (Required)	St. Petersburg
State (Required)	FL
Zip Code (Required)	33714
Organization Website (URL)	www.floridadreamcenter.org
Organization President / Executive Director (Required)	Steve Cleveland
Title (Required)	Chief Executive Officer
Phone Number (Required)	727-307-2741
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Contact Person Name (if different than above)	Zelda O'Connell
Contact Person Title	Chief Operating Officer
Contact Person Phone Number	727-851-9074
Contact Person Email Address	zelda@floridadreamcenter.org
501(c)(3)? (Required)	Yes
Registered in Florida? (Required)	Yes
Year Established (Required)	2012

Total Organization Annual Budget (Required)	\$1,030,272.00
Taxpayer / Employer ID # (Required)	46-0663472
Brief Description of Organization and It's Mission (approx. 600 characters) (Required)	The Florida Dream Center's mission of Restoring Dreams, Renewing Hope, and Rebuilding Lives is realized by bridging the gap between at-risk residents and social economic equality. Regardless of homelessness, disability, poverty level, military veteran status, elderly challenges, victimization (human trafficking or domestic), felony history or life struggle, our goal is to encourage an improved quality of life.
Project Name (Required)	Pantry to Life
Requested Program Budget (Required)	\$20,000.00
Community Need: Describe the problem or need to be addressed by this project. (Required)	<p>Food insecurity and food deserts within Pinellas County have been an issue well before the COVID pandemic. As the pandemic progressed the number of those in need increased. Transportation challenge is also a common barrier shared by the residents in these low-income, food desert pockets of poverty.</p> <p>Food insecurity is a limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate foods which is highly correlated with consequences of negative health outcomes. These health outcomes include but are not limited to poor physical, cognitive, and socioemotional development among children and chronic health conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, and obesity among adults.</p>
Project Summary: Describe how the project will be fully implemented and how it will address the need or gap in the community. Identify and describe other funding sources, if any, for this project/program. (Required)	<p>The Florida Dream Center (FLDC) has a Mobile Food Bank program that understands these challenges and tailors its food distribution process by taking food directly into the neighborhoods that need it the most.</p> <p>During the week, our food bank distributes to 40 different locations including local churches, organizations, shelters, and other pantries. In 2020, we distributed 252,640 pounds of food to local pantries, 378,079 pounds of food delivered in bulk to other facilities (veteran villages, low-income apartments, churches, shelters, community centers), and we received food from 170 suppliers.</p> <p>The distribution process has caused excess wear and tear on an</p>

already used van. This funding will be used to purchase another van. (Three quotes have already been provided with this grant submission.) The van will be utilized to pull a Publix/Feeding Tampa Bay refrigerated trailer our organization was awarded a couple of years ago. This vehicle will transport healthy food to different neighborhoods within the Lealman and Tarpon Springs areas. Additional funding sources will come from private donations to complete the purchase.

**Program Outcomes:
Describe the time-line
by which the project
will be implemented
including short-term
and long-term results.
(Required)**

FLDC has already attained three van quotes. Once the funding is awarded the vehicle will be purchased and put into the fleet distribution schedule immediately.

This vehicle will distribute over 30,000 pounds of food monthly during Saturday Adopt-a-Block outreach and an additional 40,000 pounds through bulk distribution. This will result in approximately 1,100 households or 2,700 individuals given healthy food options a month through this vehicle alone.

**Describe how your
project aligns with the
County's Strategic
Plan: (Required)**

The Pinellas County strategic plan invokes the support and promotion of health equity for all residents of Pinellas County, the FLDC mission aligns with this completely. FLDC programs and services promote self-sufficiency while supporting low-income clients through immediate and long-term services.

Additional Information

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**Authorized Signature
(Printed Name / Title)
(Required)**

Steve Cleveland, Chief Executive Officer

**Authorization Date
(Required)**

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