

FEMA Phase 38
Application Submission Checklist
For Local Board 166800
Jurisdiction: Marion County, Florida

Attachments Included: (Please check or mark N/A)

_____ Application

_____ Board of Directors Roster

_____ 501 C3 IRS Determination Letter

_____ HMIS Certification if Applicable

_____ Non-discriminatory Policy

_____ Current Audit (If requesting \$50,000 or more)

_____ Complete program budget & narrative for what expenses FEMA dollars will cover

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Application was received on or before January 11, 2021 at 4:00pm.

Signature of United Way Staff

Signature of Agency Representative

Date

Time

Application Requirements

Eligibility Criteria:

Organization must meet the following criteria to be eligible to apply for EFSP funds.

- Services are provided by a nonprofit organization, Faith Based Organizations, or government agency which has provided continuous services in Marion County for a minimum of 3 years.
- Must have a Data Universal Number System (DUNS).
- Must have a Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN).
- Must have an established, active governing board with no less than seven members, the majority of whom are not related by blood or marriage.
- Organizations will have a well-established bookkeeping and accounting system with the capacity to segregate and account for EFSP funds separately from other organization funds.
- The books of the organization are reviewed or have board oversight.
- Must carry adequate liability insurance.
- Must have confidentiality safeguards in place to protect the privacy of files and client records.
- EFSP funding request may not exceed 25% of other non-EFSP funds expended by your organization in the most current completed year.
- Must have a written non-discriminatory policy.
- Must have the flexibility to respond to emergencies that may occur outside of established business days and hours.
- Work collaboratively with Continuum of Care participating agencies and other EFSP funded organizations and the Local Board.
- If the applying Organization has a fiscal agent, an agreement between organization and fiscal agent must be attached to this application.
- Organizations applying to receive funding for Utility Assistance or RENT/Mortgage Assistance of Food Pantry Assistance, must collect and enter data through the Homeless Management Information System.

Instructions:

A. You may obtain an application at <http://www.uwmc.org/FEMA>

B. **Deadline for submitting application is Monday, January 11, 2021 at 4:00pm**

C. Applications may be mailed, **OR** delivered to **Amy Wethington on or before Monday, January 11, 2021 between the hours of 8:00AM – 5:00PM.**

Location & Mailing Address: 1401 NE 2nd Street, Ocala, FL 34470

NOTE: It is your responsibility to confirm by receipt that your application was received by United Way by 4:00pm by January 11, 2021.

D. Organizations that have had chronic problems clearing audits by the EFSP National Board may apply but will be closely reviewed and monitored.

E. Please submit on time, answer all questions and provide all requested information. Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.

F. Application must be typed.

G. Required **attachments:**

Current list of organization's Board of Directors and designated officers. Board of Directors Roster. 501 C3 IRS Determination Letter. HMIS Certification. Current Audit (If requesting \$50,000 or more)

***Please include the original copy of application, including all required attachments.**

***All attachments must be received by the deadline for the application to be considered complete. *Application will not be accepted after January 11, 2021 at 4:00pm by mail or delivered in person.**

Categories & Eligible Costs Covered By EFSP

Category	Sample eligible items	Sample Ineligible items
Served Meals	Any food used in served meals (cold or hot) OR client per meal schedule (\$2.00/meal); costs of transporting food to site	Any items not related to actual feeding of a client. Staff events/functions.
Other Food*	All food items, diapers, food vouchers, boxes and plastic storage bags, food bank maintenance fees, gift certificates (limited), transportation cost.	Tobacco, alcohol, purchases for staff functions, excessive snacks and sweets, holiday dinners, pet foods and utensils, paper products.
Mass Shelter	Direct expense associated with housing a client (e.g. supplies, linens, underwear etc.); OR daily per diem schedule at a rate of \$12.50 that covers operational costs.	Expenditures such as maintenance agreements and food expenditures.
Other Shelter	Any reasonable hotel/motel or non-profit facility (not your own); actual charge by vendor per night; 30 day limit, bus tokens to get to a facility (must follow guidelines).	An LRO receiving funds <u>may not</u> act as a vendor for themselves or another funded LRO, food, transportation repairs, bus tickets for use other than to the shelter/hotel, prepayments for hotel/motel.
Rent / Mortgage*	One month past due rent or mortgage payment- Principal & Interest (P&I); current rent or mortgage due within 10 calendar days; first month's rent; lot fee for mobile homes. Limited to one month's cost for an individual/family. Family must seek other assistance first.	More than one month past due rent or mortgage payment, deposits, down-payment for purchase of home, first month of new mortgage, late fees, legal fees, taxes insurance & escrow accounts, payments on agency's own facility.
Utilities*	Past due bills, or current due within 10 calendar days for gas, electricity, oil, water, reconnect fees. May pay budgeted or actual amount. Limited to one month's amount that is part of the arrearage at the time of payment or current one month amount. One-time delivery of firewood, coal, propane. Applicant(s) must apply for LIHEAP with CSET prior to being served with EFSP funds.	Payments for utilities exceeding one month's cost; deposits; cable; or satellite TV bills; phone bills; internet services; late fees.

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Agency Application

1. **Legal Name of Agency:** _____

2. **Agency information**

Physical Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Web Site: _____

3. **Primary services provided by the agency:** _____

4. **Description of program to be funded:** _____

5. **Agency official authorized to sign legal documents: (Attach "Designation of Authority" documentation if applicable)**

Name: _____ Title: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Phone: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email: _____

6. **Program Director**

Name: _____ *Title:* _____

Business Address: _____

Business Phone: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email address: _____

7. **Agency Fiscal Year:** _____

8. **Federal Identification Number:** _____

9. **DUNs (Dun & Bradstreet) Number :** _____

10. Chairman of the Board of Directors: (easiest way to contact)

Name: _____ Title: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Phone: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

11. Funding Allocation Request: Please fill in, in even dollar amounts, the amount you are requesting in each category.

BREAKDOWN BY CATEGORY:

Served Meals _____

Other Food* _____

Mass Shelter _____

Other Shelter _____

Supplies/Equipment _____

Repairs/Code _____

RENT/Mortgage Assistance * _____

Utility Assistance * _____

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: _____

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Signature of CEO

Print Name of CEO

Date

BOARD CERTIFICATION OF EFSP GRANT APPLICATION

I understand that funding is contingent upon the Marion County Local Board's receipt of EFSP funds and submitting this application does not guarantee that funds requested will be awarded. As a potential recipient of Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program funds made available for Phase 38 and as the duly authorized representative of (insert nonprofit name)

_____, I certify the following:

- Is not debarred or suspended from receiving Federal funds,
- Has the capability to provide emergency food and/or shelter services
- Will use funds to supplement/extend existing resources and not to substitute or reimburse ongoing programs and services,
- Is nonprofit or an agency of government,
- Will not use EFSP funds as a cost-match for other Federal funds or programs,
- Has an accounting system , and will pay all vendors by an approved method of payment,
- \$50,000 or more in EFSP funds, and abide by OMB Circular A-133 if receiving \$500,000 or more in Federal funding Conduct an independent annual review if receiving \$25,000-\$49,999/an independent annual audit if receiving,
- Has not received an adverse or no opinion audit,
- Understands that cash payments (including petty cash) are not eligible under EFSP,
- Has provided a Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) to EFSP,
- Has provided a Data Universal Number System (DUNS) number issued by Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) and required associated information to EFSP,
- Practices non-discrimination (agencies with a religious affiliation, will not refuse service to an applicant based on religion, nor engage in religious proselytizing or religious counseling in any program receiving Federal funds),
- Will not charge a fee to clients for EFSP funded services,
- Has a voluntary board if private, not-for-profit,
- Will comply with the Phase 38 Responsibilities & Requirements Manual, particularly the Eligible and Ineligible Costs section, and will inform appropriate staff or volunteers of EFSP requirements,
- Will provide all required reports to the Local Board in a timely manner; (i.e., Second Payment/Interim Request and Final Reports),
- Will expend monies only on eligible costs and keep complete documentation (copies of canceled LRO checks front and back, invoices, receipts, etc.) on all expenditures for a minimum of three years after end-of-program date, and for compliance issues until resolved,
- Will spend all funds and close-out the program by my jurisdiction's selected end-of-program date and return any unused funds to the National Board (\$5.00 or more; checks made payable to United Way Worldwide/Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program, 701 North Fairfax Street, Suite 310, Alexandria, VA 22314),
- Will provide complete, accurate documentation of expenses to the Local Board, if requested, following my jurisdiction's selected end-of-program date,
- Will comply with the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133 if expending \$500,000 or more in Federal funds,
- Will comply with lobbying prohibition certification and disclosure of lobbying activities if receiving \$100,000 or more in EFSP funds, if applicable, and have no known EFSP compliance exceptions in this or any other jurisdiction,
- Check requests- Understand that unresolved compliance issues may result in de-obligation of funding prior to deadline for second,
- Understand that the Local Board members may elect to conduct a site visit / provide technical assistance to your organization.
- As President/Officer of our organization, I hereby attest that to the best of my knowledge, all information contained herein is true, correct, and complete.

Accepted:

Board President - Signature

Board President - Print

Date