



CITRUS COUNTY HARVEST INC.

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**The State of Florida
Office on Homelessness
Federal emergency Shelter Grants Program
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To Whom It May Concern:

Citrus County Harvest, a food recovery organization, has been supplying food for the Sanctuary Mission since our inception in 1999. We are an all volunteer organization that locates perishable and non-perishable food and donates it to those agencies in our community who work with our homeless and needy population.

I have been the Chairperson since we began our organization and have worked with Byron J. Goldstein for nine years. The Sanctuary Mission provides a vital resource for our community, Citrus County, in that they offer shelter, transition, re-socialization and recovery to those folks who desperately need help. Often times this resource is their last hope for any kind of support. I have seen the work of this mission by putting their clients back to work, back to school and simply back on their feet in support of their family or themselves.

As a community leader and volunteer who works with all the resources available in Citrus County as it relates to hunger and shelter, I shudder to think what would happen if The Sanctuary Mission were not able to continue their work in our county. Please not only consider their request for proposal to assure continued funding of their transitional housing program, SUPPORT it. Thank you.

Sincerely,

**Debbie Lattin
Chairperson, Citrus County Harvest, Inc.**