



WILTON SIMPSON  
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Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services  
Division of Administration

**FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT**

This Federal Financial Assistance Subrecipient Agreement (Agreement) made and entered into on \_\_\_\_\_, by and between the FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, the Recipient, and the City of Clearwater, the Subrecipient. The Subrecipient's Application package for federal financial assistance, dated October 20, 2025, (Application) is incorporated by reference. The Subrecipient shall perform the Scope of Work contained in the Subrecipient's Application.

The Department of Management Services' designated United Nations Standard Products and Services Code (UNSPSC) is 70151500.

**A. SUBAWARD AMOUNT**

1. The total award amount for satisfactorily completing the Scope of Work is \$50,000.00. In no event shall the Recipient be liable for payment of any amount, which exceeds the total award amount.
  - a. The Subrecipient may expend funds only for allowable costs resulting from obligations incurred during the agreement period.
  - b. The balance of unobligated funds which have been advanced or paid must be refunded to the Recipient.
  - c. Funds paid in excess of the amount to which the Subrecipient is entitled under the terms and conditions of the agreement must be refunded to the Recipient.

**B. TERM**

1. The agreement period of this Subrecipient agreement shall commence on the upon execution and, unless sooner terminated or canceled, shall end on the 30th day of June, 2027 (Term).
2. No-cost extensions require the prior written approval of the Recipient and must be submitted not less than sixty (60) days prior to the end of the Term. Extension requests, which exceed the federal agency award period, will not be granted.

**C. UNIVERSAL IDENTIFIER AND SYSTEM OF AWARD MANAGEMENT**

1. The Subrecipient shall comply with 2 CFR, Part 25, "Financial Assistance Use of Universal Identifier and System of Award Management" (SAM). The Subrecipient must register and maintain a registration in SAM until submittal of the final financial report. A unique entity identifier is a 12-character alphanumeric ID assigned to an entity by SAM.gov.
2. Compliance with 2 CFR, Part 25 is not required for individuals.

**D. FINANCIAL AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT**

1. Statutory and National Policy Requirements

- a. All expenditures of federal financial assistance under the Agreement shall be in compliance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations applicable to expenditures of federal funds.
- b. The Subrecipient shall implement applicable National Policy Requirements.

## 2. Deliverables

- a. The Subrecipient must provide quantifiable, measurable, and verifiable units of Deliverables which must be received and accepted in writing by the Recipient before payment. Deliverables must be directly related to the Scope of Work; specify minimum levels of service to be performed; and contain criteria for evaluating the successful completion of each Deliverable. The Deliverables are set forth in the Scope of Work contained in the Subrecipient Application.
- b. The Subrecipient shall perform all deliverables within the time frame established in this Agreement. Unless otherwise set forth in the Scope of Work, failure to meet the Deliverables of this Agreement shall result in a financial consequence up to 100% of the final payment request unless the failure to perform the deliverable is corrected or prohibited by the federal agency awarding the grant.

## 3. Financial Management

- a. The Subrecipient shall maintain an accounting system and a set of accounting records, which allow for the identification of revenues and expenditures related to this Agreement.
- b. The Subrecipient shall comply with 2 CFR, Part 200, as currently in effect and as may be amended from time to time and adhere to the accounting principles and procedures required therein, use adequate internal controls, and maintain necessary source documentation for all costs incurred.

## 4. Reimbursement Requests

- a. The allowability of costs shall be in accordance with the federal financial assistance cost principles applicable to the Subrecipient and terms of this Agreement.
- b. The Subrecipient shall submit the payment request packet to the Recipient's Grant Manager not more often than monthly, but not less often than quarterly. To be eligible for reimbursement, costs shall be allowable, necessary, and reasonable, and must be submitted by budget category consistent with the budget plan submitted with the Subrecipient's Application.
- c. All reimbursement requests must be submitted using the Recipient's standard payment request packet and provide supporting documentation for each cost. An authorized Subrecipient representative shall sign the certifications on the payment request packet submitted.
- d. The payment request packet is downloadable from <https://forms.fdacs.gov/02019.pdf>.
- e. A Subrecipient whose federal financial assistance grant provides an online reimbursement system for reporting reimbursement details shall use the online reimbursement system instead of the payment request packet.

- f. Travel Expenses. Justified and reasonable travel expenses which are directly and exclusively related to the services rendered under this Agreement will be reimbursed in accordance with Section 112.061, F.S. Authorization for travel expenses must be specified in this Agreement.
- g. \$50,000.00 for one year based on invoices submitted for expenses incurred during the quarterly periods ending March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year. Each quarter, The SUBRECIPIENT shall submit detailed quarterly reports using the format and content shown on the RECIPIENT'S performance progress report. Invoices must be received within 30 calendar days of the conclusion of each quarter. Bills will be in the form of an invoice by major categories and will include local funding information detailing staff salaries, benefits, indirect costs (at 10% of Total Direct Costs) and other approved expenses, if accrued.
- h. Travel and per diem costs are not allowable under this contract.

#### 5. Payment of Reimbursement Requests

- a. Payment for allowable, necessary, and reasonable costs shall be made within thirty (30) days after acceptance by the Recipient. Payment request packets returned to the Subrecipient due to omissions or preparation errors will result in a payment delay.
- b. Payment requests for a percentage of work completed on each task deliverable are allowed.
- c. Payment is contingent upon the availability of funding from the federal agency and the Subrecipient's compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The final payment under this Agreement shall be made upon completion of the Scope of Work including all Deliverables and the receipt and approval of all reports required hereunder.
  - (1) Reimbursement request form with required backup documentation.
  - (2) Final Report – brief paragraph on letterhead or form FDACS-02018 summarizing what was accomplished with the grant funding.
  - (3) Copy of a news release that will be submitted to a local publication crediting the U.S. Forest Service for providing funding.
  - (4) Copy of Congressional thank you letter - Thank you letter addressed to your federal congressional representatives for the grant funding. Include a brief description of what you were able to accomplish with the funding.
  - (5) Certification of Acceptance executed by a Florida Forest Service official.
- d. Disallowance or adjustments due to audit findings may require the Subrecipient to return funds to the Recipient. The Subrecipient is solely responsible for reimbursing the Recipient for amounts incorrectly paid to the Subrecipient.

#### 6. Program Income

- a. "Program income includes but is not limited to income from fees for services performed, the use or rental of real or personal property acquired under federal awards, the sale of commodities or items fabricated under a federal award, license fees and royalties on patents and copyrights, and principal and interest on loans made with federal award funds". 2 CFR 200.80

- b. The Subrecipient must report to the Recipient any program income received or anticipated from the activities performed under this Agreement.

#### 7. Revision of Budget Plan

- a. The Budget Plan contained in the Subrecipient Application lists costs and budget categories to fund the Subrecipient's performance of the Scope of Work, including the completion of Deliverables.
- b. The Subrecipient is required to report any transfers from one approved budget category to another approved budget category. If the cumulative budget transfers meet or exceed ten percent (10%), prior approval, evidenced by contract amendment, is required.
- c. Prior approval, evidenced by contract amendment, is required for:
  - (1) Any transfers from an approved budget category to an unapproved budget category. An unapproved budget category is defined as having no funds allocated in the original Budget Plan.
  - (2) Any equipment purchases not noted in the original Budget Plan and/or Scope of Work.
  - (3) Any subawarding or contracting out of any work not noted in the original Budget Plan and/or Scope of Work.

#### 8. Revision of Scope of Work

- a. The Subrecipient shall report any changes to the Scope of Work including but not limited to changes in the objectives, changes in key personnel, reduction of work effort by key personnel, and delays in completion of the work.

#### 9. Acknowledgements

- a. The Subrecipient shall have an acknowledgement of the USDA Forest Service support placed on any publication written or published or audiovisual produced with grant support and, if feasible, on any publication reporting the results of, or describing, a grant-supported activity, or audiovisuals produced with grant support. This requirement does not apply to audiovisuals produced as research instruments or for documenting experimentations or findings and not intended for presentation or distribution to the public.

Minimum verbiage requirement is as follows: "This publication made possible through a grant from the USDA Forest Service in cooperation with the Florida Forest Service."

- b. Publication means a published book, periodical, pamphlet, brochure, flier, or similar item.
- c. Audiovisual means a product containing visual imagery or sound or both.
- d. The Subrecipient acknowledgement must contain a disclaimer which states: "Any opinions, findings, conclusions, or recommendations expressed in this publication or audiovisual are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the view of the USDA Forest Service."

- e. Language shall read:

**The work upon which this (insert publication or audiovisual or both) is based was funded, in whole or in part through a subrecipient grant awarded by the USDA Forest Service through the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The contents do not necessarily reflect the views or policies of the USDA Forest Service nor does mention of trade names, commercial productions, services, or organizations imply endorsement by the U.S. Government.**

## E. PROPERTY STANDARDS

### 1. Equipment and Real Property

- a. Equipment must be used in the project for which the federal funds are derived.
- b. The federal agency has a vested interest in equipment and/or real property which, when purchased, exceeds \$5,000 in value. If a title is issued for the equipment and/or real property, the federal agency must be listed on the title.
- c. The Subrecipient must maintain property records, which include, but are not limited to, the description, serial number or other identification number, acquisition date, cost, location, percentage of federal participation in the cost of the property, use and condition of the property. When the property is disposed of, the property records must be updated with the date of disposal and sale price of the property.
- d. A physical inventory is required at least once every two years.
- e. If the equipment and/or real property are to be sold or used as a trade-in, approval of the Recipient is required.
- f. At the end of the award period, the Subrecipient is required to request from the Recipient disposal instructions and is required to notify the Recipient of the fair market value of the equipment and/or real property.

### 2. Insurance Coverage

- a. The Subrecipient will carry sufficient insurance coverage to protect all assets required under the Agreement from loss due to theft, fraud, and/or undue physical damage. The Subrecipient shall carry insurance on its own assets in commercially reasonable amounts and all statutorily required insurance, including without limitation Workers' Compensation insurance.

### 3. Intellectual Property

- a. Anything by whatsoever designation it may be known, that is produced by, or developed in connection with this Agreement shall become the exclusive property of the Recipient and may be copyrighted, patented, or otherwise restricted as provided by Florida or federal law. Neither the Subrecipient nor any individual employed under this Agreement shall have any proprietary interest in such property.
- b. With respect to each Deliverable that constitutes a work of authorship within the subject matter and scope of U.S. Copyright Law, 17 U.S.C. Sections 102-105, such work shall

be a “work for hire” as defined in 17 U.S.C. Section 101 and all copyrights subsisting in such work for hire shall be owned exclusively by the Recipient.

- c. In the event it is determined as a matter of law that any such work is not a “work for hire,” the Subrecipient shall immediately assign to the Recipient all copyrights subsisting therein for the consideration set forth in the Agreement and with no additional compensation.
- d. The foregoing shall not apply to any preexisting software, or other work of authorship used by the Subrecipient to create a Deliverable but which exists as work independent of the Deliverable, unless the preexisting software or work was developed by the Subrecipient pursuant to a previous Agreement with the Recipient or by a purchase by the Recipient under a state term contract.

#### F. MATCHING OR COST SHARE (IF APPLICABLE)

1. The matching or cost share portion must be tracked using a unique identifier in the Subrecipient accounting system.
2. If the matching or cost share portion is not met, the Recipient may disallow costs paid with federal funds in proportion to the reduction in the matching or cost share amount.
3. The matching or cost share portion must be incurred in direct proportion to the amount of federal funds used.
4. The matching or cost share portion must be reported based upon the Budget Plan submitted with the Application.
5. Records for in-kind contributions, which are based upon volunteer hours, must have timesheets or a sign-in/sign-out logs and must explicitly state the method for valuation of the hours. The value must be reasonable.
6. Records for in-kind contributions, which are based upon goods or services provided, must have an invoice, if available, or must explicitly state the method for the valuation. The value must be reasonable.
7. In-kind contributions must be provided by a third party during the period for which they are being claimed.
8. The matching or cost share portion must not be counted towards other cost sharing requirements. Neither costs nor values of third-party in-kind contributions may count if they have been used towards other cost sharing requirements.

#### G. GENERAL PROCUREMENT STANDARDS

1. The Subrecipient will follow the same policies and procedures it uses for procurements from other funding sources.
2. The Subrecipient must have documented procurement procedures.
3. The Subrecipient must have written policies on standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest. No employee, officer, or agency may participate in the selection, award or administration of a contract supported by federal funds if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest.

## H. PERFORMANCE MONITORING AND REPORTING

1. The Subrecipient shall submit detailed quarterly reports using the format and content shown on the Recipient's performance progress report. The performance progress report is downloadable from <https://forms.fdacs.gov/02018.pdf>.
2. In the event the Agreement is terminated, the Subrecipient shall furnish a report detailing progress made under this Agreement through the date of termination within twenty (20) days of termination.
3. The Subrecipient shall cooperate in all on-site reviews from the Recipient, its authorized representatives, or federal government personnel.
4. The review personnel will be given full and complete access during normal business hours to all information related to the performance of this Agreement to ensure compliance with project activities and statutes, regulations, and rules.
5. The Recipient will give 48 hours' notice of any on site review.
6. The Subrecipient shall make available all personnel involved in the performance of work on this Agreement.
7. Failure to correct substandard performance within thirty (30) days after written notice from the Recipient shall result in suspension and/or termination of the Agreement.

## I. RECORD RETENTION AND ACCESS

### 1. Retention Requirements for Records

- a. Upon reasonable notice, the Recipient shall have access to the Subrecipient's records during normal business hours.
- b. The Subrecipient shall maintain all records pertinent to the activities to be funded under this Agreement for a period of five (5) years after final payment is received and for such additional period as may be required until all claims, litigation and appeals pertaining or related to the Agreement have been completely resolved.

### 2. Access to Public Records

- a. The Subrecipient shall comply with all applicable requirements of Chapter 119, F.S.
- b. To the extent that Subrecipient meets the definition of "Contractor" under Section 119.0701, F.S., all documents, including papers, letters, or any other record or materials prepared pursuant to this Agreement are subject to Florida's Public Records Law. Subrecipient must:
  - (1) Keep and maintain public records required by the Recipient to perform the service.
  - (2) Upon request from the Recipient's custodian of public records, provide the Recipient with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at no cost to the Recipient.

- (3) Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract period and following completion or termination of the contract if the Subrecipient does not transfer the records to the Recipient.
  - (4) Upon completion or termination of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to the Recipient all public records in possession of the Subrecipient or keep and maintain public records required by the Recipient to perform the service. If the Subrecipient transfers all public records to the Recipient upon completion or termination of the contract, the Subrecipient shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Subrecipient keeps and maintains public records upon completion or termination of the contract, the Subrecipient shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the Recipient, upon request from the Recipient's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the Recipient.
- c. The Recipient shall have the right of unilateral cancellation for refusal by the Subrecipient to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material made or received by the Recipient in conjunction with the contract, unless the records are exempt from s. 24(a) of Article I of the State Constitution and Section 119.07(1), F.S.
  - d. Nothing in this article shall be considered a waiver of the provisions of Section 119.0701, F.S.

**IF THE SUBRECIPIENT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE SUBRECIPIENT'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS:**

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**J. REMEDIES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE**

1. Prior to the exercise of any remedy provided for herein, the Recipient shall provide thirty (30) calendar days written notice of default and shall provide the Subrecipient the opportunity to cure such failure or default within said thirty (30) day period. Upon the failure or inability to cure, the Recipient shall have all rights and remedies provided at law or in equity, including without limitation the following:
  - a. Temporarily withhold cash payments pending correction of the deficiency by the Subrecipient.
  - b. Disallow all or part of the cost of the services not in compliance.

- c. Wholly or partly suspend or terminate this Agreement.

## 2. Termination

- a. This Agreement may be terminated for convenience by either party upon giving not less than thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party. The Subrecipient shall be paid for all work satisfactorily performed prior to the date of termination provided the Subrecipient has otherwise complied with the terms of this Agreement, including the submission of all reports.
- b. The Recipient may suspend or terminate this Agreement if the Subrecipient:
  - (1) Fails to comply with any applicable rules, regulations or provisions referred to herein, or any other applicable state or federal statutes, rules, regulations, executive orders, federal guidelines, policies or directives;
  - (2) Fails to timely fulfill its obligations under the Agreement;
  - (3) Improperly or illegally uses funds provided under this Agreement; or
  - (4) Submits reports that are incorrect in any material respect.

## K. CLOSE OUT

- 1. Notwithstanding the termination of this Agreement, the Subrecipient's obligations to the Recipient shall survive until all close out requirements are completed. Close out activities shall include but are not limited to completing and submitting final reports, properly disposing of property, accounting for unspent cash advances and program income and transferring custodianship of records to Recipient or its designee.

### 2. Post-close Out Adjustments

- a. Any funds paid in excess of the amount to which the Subrecipient is entitled under the Agreement must be refunded to the Recipient within thirty (30) days after demand therefore by Recipient.

## L. AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

### 1. Audit Provisions

- a. If the Subrecipient is a state or local government or a nonprofit organization, the audit provisions as defined in 2 CFR, Part 200 Subpart F are applicable.
- b. If the Subrecipient is a commercial organization (for-profit), the organization will provide the Recipient with its annual audited financial statement or the annual tax return provided to the Internal Revenue Service.
- c. Audit provisions are not required for a Subrecipient who is an individual.
- d. In the event that the Subrecipient expends \$1,000,000 or more in federal awards in its fiscal year, the Subrecipient must have a single or program-specific audit conducted in accordance with the 2 CFR, Part 200 Subpart F.

- e. If the Subrecipient expends less than \$1,000,000 in federal awards in its fiscal year, an audit conducted in accordance with the provisions of 2 CFR, Part 200 Subpart F is not required. Records must be available for audit or review if necessary.
- f. If the Subrecipient expends less than \$1,000,000 in federal awards in its fiscal year and elects to have an audit conducted, the cost of the audit must be paid from non-federal resources.

## 2. Basis for Determining Federal Awards Expended

- a. In determining the federal awards expended in its fiscal year, the Subrecipient shall consider all sources of federal awards, including federal resources received from the Recipient.
- b. The determination of amounts of federal awards expended should be in accordance with the guidelines established by 2 CFR, Part 200 Subpart F.

## 3. Relation to Other Audit Requirements

- a. If the Subrecipient has an audit conducted in relationship to any other federal regulation or statute, the Recipient may determine upon review if the audit reports meet the needs of the Recipient. If so, an additional audit will not be required.
- b. An audit of the Subrecipient conducted by the Auditor General in accordance with provisions of 2 CFR, Part 200 Subpart F will meet these requirements.
- c. These provisions do not limit the authority of the federal agency, Inspector General, General Accounting Office (GAO), or Recipient to conduct or arrange for the conduct of audits or evaluations of federal financial assistance awards.

## 4. Frequency of Audits

- a. Audits shall be performed annually to meet this requirement.

## 5. Sanctions

- a. If the Subrecipient is unwilling or has a continued inability to have an audit conducted, the provisions for noncompliance will be enforced.

## 6. Subrecipient Responsibilities

- a. The Subrecipient shall arrange for the audit to be conducted in a timely manner and submitted as required in 2 CFR 200.512.
- b. The Subrecipient shall prepare the financial statements in accordance with 2 CFR 200.510.
- c. The Subrecipient shall promptly follow up and take corrective action on audit findings.
- d. The Subrecipient will provide the auditor with access to records, personnel, documentation, and other information as needed by the auditor.

## 7. Audit Findings Follow-up

- a. At the completion of the audit, the Subrecipient must prepare, in a document separate from the auditor's findings a corrective action plan to address each audit finding included in the current year auditor's reports.
- b. The corrective action plan must provide the name(s) of the contact person(s) responsible for corrective action, the corrective action planned and the anticipated completion date.
- c. If the Subrecipient does not agree with the audit findings or believes corrective action is not required, then the corrective action plan must include an explanation and specific reasons.
- d. Any deficiencies noted in audit reports must be fully cleared by the Subrecipient within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Subrecipient.
- e. Failure of the Subrecipient to comply with the above requirement will constitute a violation of this Agreement and may result in the withholding of future payments.

## 8. Report Submission

- a. The audit must be completed and the data collection form and reporting package must be submitted within the earlier of thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the auditor's report(s) or nine months after the end of the audit period. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, the reporting package is due the next business day.
- b. The Subrecipient must submit required data elements described in Appendix X to 2 CFR, Part 200 – Data Collection Form (SF-SAC), which states whether the audit was completed in accordance with this part and provide information about the Subrecipient, its federal programs and the results of the audit.
- c. A senior representative of the Subrecipient must sign a statement to be included as part of the data collection that the Subrecipient has complied with the audit requirements, the data was prepared in accordance with 2 CFR 200.512, the reporting package does not include protected personally identifiable information, the information is accurate and complete, and the reporting package and form will be publicly available on the web.
- d. The Subrecipient shall also submit to the Recipient's Grant Manager one copy of the audit report, reporting package, any management letter issued by the auditor, and the data collection form described in Appendix X to 2 CFR, Part 200.
- e. The Subrecipient is required to use the internet submission form on the Federal Audit Clearinghouse (FAC) website. The FAC website is located at <https://www.fac.gov/>.
- f. The Subrecipient shall ensure that audit working papers are made available to the Recipient's Chief Financial Officer or Auditor General, or its designee, upon request for a period of five (5) years from the date the audit report is issued, unless extended in writing by the Recipient.

## M. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Nothing contained in this Agreement is intended to, or will be construed in any manner, as creating or establishing the relationship of principal and agent or employer and employee

between the parties. The Subrecipient will at all times remain an independent contractor with respect to the services to be performed under this Agreement.

2. Indemnification. The Subrecipient shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors and shall fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Recipient, and their officers, agents, and employees, from suits, actions, damages, and costs of every name and description, including attorneys' fees, arising from or relating to personal injury and damage to real or personal tangible property alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the Subrecipient, its agent, employees, partners, or subcontractors, provided, however that the Subrecipient shall not indemnify for that portion of any loss or damages proximately caused by the negligent act or omission of the Recipient. Nothing herein contained shall be construed or operate as a waiver of sovereign immunity to the extent sovereign immunity, as set forth in Section 786.28, F.S., may otherwise apply.
3. Liability. The Recipient shall not assume any liability for the acts, omissions to act or negligence of the Subrecipient, its agents, servants, and employees, nor shall the Subrecipient disclaim its own negligence to the Recipient or any third party.
4. The Subrecipient shall not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, national origin, age, or disability and shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations related thereto, including without limitation, the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 USC 12101 et. Seq.); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC 795); and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 USC 6101-6107).
5. The Subrecipient acknowledges and agrees that the employment of unauthorized aliens by any person or entity is considered a violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1324a. If the Subrecipient knowingly employs unauthorized aliens, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of this Agreement. The Subrecipient avers that it is registered in the E-Verify system and further agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 448.095(2), F.S., during the term of the contract, including receiving and maintaining required affidavits from subcontractors.
6. This Agreement is contingent upon the availability of funding from the federal agency. This Agreement may be terminated by Recipient if funding from the federal agency is reduced or terminated.
7. The Subrecipient represents and warrants that neither it, nor its principals, is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency; and, that the Subrecipient shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier contract, or other covered transaction, with a person who is similarly debarred or suspended from participating in this covered transaction. Any lower tier contract provider who receives funds as a result of this Agreement shall be verified by Subrecipient through the General Services Administration (GSA) Federal Excluded Parties List: <https://sam.gov/SAM/>.
8. The Subrecipient shall comply with the Federal Acquisition Regulation 52.204-25 Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment, as currently in effect and as may be amended from time to time. Failure to comply or if the Subrecipient knowingly provides funds to any entity prohibited from receiving a contract or award pursuant to the Federal Acquisition Regulation 52.204-25 shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of this Agreement.
9. The Subrecipient acknowledges it has completed the certification regarding lobbying.

10. If prior written authorization for subcontracting is granted by the Recipient, any work or services subcontracted by the Subrecipient shall be specifically by written contract or Agreement, and such subcontracts shall be subject to each provision of this Agreement and applicable Federal, State or County guidelines and regulations as currently in effect and as may be amended from time to time. Prior to execution by the Subrecipient of any subcontract hereunder, the Subrecipient must submit such subcontracts to the Recipient for its review and approval.
11. The Subrecipient will comply with section 20.055, F.S.
12. This Agreement may not be modified except by a written instrument executed by a duly authorized representative of each party hereto.
13. In the event that two or more documents combine to form this Agreement, and in the event that there is any contradictory or conflicting clause or requirement in these documents, the provisions of the document(s) prepared by the Recipient shall be controlling.
14. This Agreement shall be controlled by Florida law, without regard to any conflict of law provisions thereof with venue in Leon County, Florida.
15. Severability. In the event that any clause or requirement of this Agreement is contradictory to, or conflicts with the requirements of Florida or federal law, including, but not limited to requirements regarding contracts with Florida's governmental agencies, the offending clause or requirement shall be without force and effect and the requirements of the applicable Florida or federal law shall substitute for that clause or requirement and be binding on all parties hereto.
16. Paragraph Headings. Paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience or reference only. They shall not be deemed to modify, limit, define or describe in any respect the provisions of this Agreement.
17. Compliance. The Subrecipient shall, at its sole cost and expense, comply with all requirements of all Municipal, County, State and Federal rules and regulations, statutes and/or ordinances now in effect and as may be amended from time to time pertaining to the duties and obligations arising from this Agreement.
18. Survival. The termination of this Agreement (whether by expiry, completion, the exercise of a termination right hereunder, or otherwise) will not relieve either party of any obligation, nor impair the exercise of rights, accrued hereunder prior to such termination. Without limiting the foregoing, the terms of Article D (entitled "FINANCIAL AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT"), Article I (entitled "RECORD RETENTION AND ACCESS"), Article K (entitled "CLOSE OUT"), and Article L (entitled "AUDIT REQUIREMENTS") hereof will survive the termination of this Agreement.
19. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument. Each person signing this Agreement warrants that he or she is duly authorized to do so and to bind the respective party to the Agreement.
20. The delay or failure by the Department to exercise or enforce any of its rights under this Agreement shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver of the Department's right thereafter

to enforce those rights, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right.

21. Administration of Agreement.

The Grant Manager for the Recipient is Todd Little and is located at 3125 Conner Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399.

The Grant Manager for the Subrecipient is Cassie Cordova and is located at 100 S. Myrtle Ave., Clearwater, Florida, 33756.

Substitution of a Grant Manager by any party after execution of this Agreement shall not require a formal amendment of this Agreement; however, the other Grant Manager shall be informed in writing within seven (7) business days of the substitution.

22. Notices. Any notice required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be sent via email to the contract manager and sent by a nationally recognized courier service which provides written proof of delivery (e.g., UPS, Federal Express) or mailed by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed, in either event, to the contract manager set forth above.

23. Entire Agreement. The instrument, including any attachments or exhibits, embodies the Entire Agreement of the parties for the use of the funds received under this Agreement. This Agreement supersedes all previous oral or written communications, representations, or Agreements on this subject.

N. STATE FUNDS; REPORTING

1. Inspection and Reporting Requirements. Upon request, the Subrecipient shall comply with Section 216.1366(3), F.S., inspection requirements. Any records, papers, and documents requested by the Department must be provided for inspection within ten (10) business days after the request is made. If the Subrecipient is a non-profit organization as defined in Section 215.97(2), F.S., then the Subrecipient must provide documentation that indicates the amount of state funds (1) allocated to be used during the full term of the contract for remuneration of any member of the board of directors or an officer of the Subrecipient, and (2) allocated under each payment by the Recipient to be used for remuneration of any member of the board of directors or an officer of the Subrecipient. The documentation must indicate the amounts and receipts of remuneration.
2. The Subrecipient is not classified as a non-profit organization as defined in Section 215.97(2)(m), F.S.; therefore the Subrecipient is not required to complete and return the [Total Compensation Paid to Non-Profit Personnel Using State Funds form \(FDACS-01324\)](https://forms.fdacs.gov/01324) located at <https://forms.fdacs.gov/01324.pdf> in accordance with Section 216.1366, F.S., no later than ten (10) business days from execution of this Agreement and with each invoice or reimbursement submission in accordance with Section D. If the non-profit Subrecipient maintains a website, the Subrecipient must post the information required by Section 216.1366(3), F.S., on its website.
3. Failure to comply with any of the requirements of Section 216.1336, F.S., may result in termination of the Agreement as prescribed in Section J.

**NOTE: Articles O and P do not apply to Individuals or Private Citizens.**

## O. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

1. The Subrecipient shall complete and return the [Executive Compensation Attestation for Agreements Involving State Funds form \(FDACS-01317\)](#) located at <https://forms.fdacs.gov/01317.pdf> no later than ten (10) business days from execution of this Agreement. Executive Compensation Attestation is required pursuant to Executive Order 20-44. Governmental entities as defined in Section 287.012(14), F.S., are excluded from the executive compensation reporting.
2. In the event that the Subrecipient receives fifty (50) percent or more of its budget from funding provided by the State of Florida, or a combination of funding from the State of Florida and the United States Government, or this Agreement results from the Subrecipient being named in statute as the required Subrecipient of a sole-source, public-private Agreement, then the Subrecipient shall provide an annual report to the Recipient due on or before June 30th. An annual report shall be required for each year that this Agreement remains in existence. The report shall detail the total compensation of the Subrecipient's executive leadership team, to include salary, bonuses, cash-in leave, cash equivalents, severance pay, retirement benefits, deferred compensation, real property gifts, and any other payout. The annual report must also indicate what percent of compensation comes directly from State or Federal allocations, and the report shall contain the Subrecipient's IRS Form 990.
3. The Subrecipient understands and agrees that it must provide Recipient of written notice detail any change in executive compensation in the intervening period between annual reports.
4. The Subrecipient understands and agrees that failure to comply with any provision of this section constitutes a material breach for which Recipient may seek termination of this Agreement pursuant to Article 7 of this Agreement.
5. The final annual report shall be delivered to the Recipient as part of the close out process detailed in Article 8.

## P. AFFIDAVIT FOR NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY

Pursuant to Section 787.06(13), F.S., when a contract is executed, renewed, or extended between a nongovernmental entity and a governmental entity, as defined in Section 287.138(1), F.S., an officer or representative of the nongovernmental entity must attest under penalty of perjury that the nongovernmental entity does not use coercion for labor or services as defined in Section 787.06, F.S. The [Non-Coercion for Labor or Services Affidavit \(FDACS-01364\)](#) located at <https://forms.fdacs.gov/01364.pdf> or a substantially similar affidavit must be completed and returned to the Recipient no later than ten (10) business days from the contract being executed, renewed, or extended. Email the completed affidavit to the Recipient's Grant Manager and reference the contract number in the subject line.

Federal resources awarded to the Subrecipient pursuant to this agreement are from USDA Forest Service, federal financial assistance funding opportunity under FAIN #24-DG-11083112-001, and Assistance Listing Number (ALN) (formerly known as Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number) 10.664, Cooperative Forestry Assistance.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, and in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth above and, in the attachments and exhibits hereto, the parties have caused to be executed this Agreement by the undersigned officials duly authorized:

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AND CONSUMER SERVICES

SUBRECIPIENT

Joey B. Hicks  
Signature

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Signature

Director of Administration  
Title

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Title

3/10/2026  
Date

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**SCOPE OF WORK**  
2 CFR 200

<b>1. Federal Financial Assistance Funding Opportunity Number:</b> 24-DG-11083112-001	<b>2. Subrecipient FEIN:</b> 59-6000289
<b>3. Subrecipient Legal Name:</b> City of Clearwater	

Please note section XII Public Records in the Notice of Federal Financial Assistance Funding Opportunity before including any proprietary or confidential information.

Performance Measures					
Deliverable #	Tasks	Task Description	Indicator	Costs per Unit	Outcome Measures
<b>1. Consultant Contract</b>	Issue RFQ & select consultant	Prepare and release informal RFQ; review proposals; execute contract.	Executed consultant contract	\$0	Qualified consultant hired to perform canopy assessment and plan development.
<b>2. Tree Canopy Assessment</b>	Data collection & analysis	Collect and analyze canopy data using GIS and existing inventories to quantify coverage, identify gaps and map priority planting zones.	Draft canopy assessment report	Contractual services included. (\$100,000 total).	Citywide canopy baseline established; priority planting zones identified.
<b>3. Draft Urban Forestry Management Plan (UFMP)</b>	Plan development	Develop strategic plan with canopy expansion targets, right tree right place planting strategies, storm preparedness and long-term maintenance framework.	Draft UFMP delivered	Contractual services included. (\$100,000 total).	Canopy target and strategies, operational efficiencies and long-term maintenance standards established.
<b>4. Community Engagement</b>	Workshop, Advisory board, Council update, public communications	Host 1 workshop, 1 Clearwater citizen advisory board, 1 City Council meeting and publish updates on city's social media and website.	Workshop and meeting attendance, feedback collected, and social media engagement metrics	Contractual services included. (\$100,000 total).	Increased resident awareness and input; stronger community support for urban forestry.
<b>5. Final Plan &amp; Implementation Roadmap</b>	Incorporate feedback & finalize the plan	Integrate public/stakeholder input; deliver final UFMP with phased implementation roadmap	Final plan adopted.	Contractual services included. (\$100,000 total).	Adopted roadmap guiding balanced canopy expansion, resilience and operational efficiencies across Clearwater.

**Describe in detail the activity or work to be conducted.**

**Deliverable 1 – Consultant Contract**

The city will begin by preparing and releasing an informal RFQ that clearly outlines the project scope, evaluation criteria and timeline. Staff will review proposals, evaluate consultant qualifications and select the most qualified consultant. The outcome of this task will be an executed contract by March 2026, ensuring that the city has engaged a consultant with the expertise to deliver the canopy assessment and management plan. Consultant selection will prioritize expertise in sustainable urban forestry, canopy assessment and GIS analysis to ensure best practices are applied. Indicators of success include the release of the RFQ, the number of proposals reviewed and the final signed contract.

**Deliverable 2 – Tree Canopy Assessment**

The selected consultant, in collaboration with city staff, will compile existing data, including the annual tree inventory, vulnerability assessment, and utility/sidewalk mapping and GIS layers. Using appropriate tools, the consultant will quantify canopy coverage, identify gaps and map priority planting opportunities across Clearwater. The assessment will document where tree roots, pavements, or subsurface utilities intersect and recommend mitigation strategies and long-term maintenance. This assessment will also quantify potential co-benefits such as urban heat reduction, air and water quality improvement and balanced canopy distribution across neighborhoods. Indicators of success will include a draft canopy assessment report with percentage coverage, gap areas, infrastructure conflict zones and a data package compiled by July 2026. This deliverable will establish a clear data baseline for the urban canopy and outline targeted planting and maintenance planning for a balanced canopy expansion.

**Deliverable 3 – Draft Urban Forestry Management Plan**

The consultant will prepare the Urban Forest Management Plan integrating canopy expansion targets, maintenance standards and infrastructure coordination measures. The plan will also include right-tree/right-place guidance, storm response practices, and lifecycle maintenance recommendations. The outcome will be a comprehensive draft Urban Forest Management Plan aligned with Clearwater’s priorities. The plan will be ready for public review, including a workshop and citizen advisory board. It will be presented to City Council to allow guidance from city leadership and elected officials. The draft plan will be reviewed with key Public Works divisions including Sustainability & Environmental, Transportation, Stormwater Maintenance, Right of Way (includes Urban Forestry and Streets & Sidewalks), along with other departments such as Public Utilities, Planning & Development, Parks & Recreation, and the Community Redevelopment Agency to ensure the strategy aligns across city and departmental needs. The plan will integrate guidance for community education on tree care, species selection and planting techniques, promoting long-term sustainability and informed decision-making.

**Deliverable 4 – Community Engagement**

Community engagement will be a core component of this project. The city will host at least one public workshop in a priority neighborhood, with attendance tracked and participant feedback collected. The project team will also present an update at a Clearwater citizen advisory board and at City Council, ensuring alignment with elected officials and policymakers. In addition, the city will run a communications campaign through social media, newsletters and its website, with indicators including the number of posts, engagement metrics and reach, adding all this information to the existing inventory website page. These activities will result in greater community awareness of the benefits of urban forestry and meaningful public input into the management plan. Engagement efforts will also highlight the social, economic and environmental benefits of a healthy urban canopy, reinforcing community support and participation.

**Deliverable 5 – Final Plan and Implementation Roadmap**

The consultant will incorporate feedback from staff, stakeholders, City Council and the public to revise the draft plan. The final Urban Forest Management Plan will be delivered by January 2027, complete with a phased implementation roadmap. The roadmap will provide step-by-step guidance for policy development, and budgeting over the next 5-10 years. The outcome will be an adopted plan that reflects community priorities, establishes clear strategies for canopy expansion and strengthens Clearwater’s resilience to heat and storms. The implementation roadmap will include measurable indicators for canopy coverage, stormwater management, urban heat mitigation and community engagement to track progress over time.

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**BUDGET PLAN**  
2 CFR 200

<b>1. Federal Financial Assistance Funding Opportunity Number:</b> 24-DG-11083112-001					<b>2. Subrecipient FEIN:</b> 59-6000-289		
<b>3. Subrecipient Legal Name:</b> City of Clearwater							
Category	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	Total Estimated Budget	*Grant Dollars	*Match Dollars
Personnel							
Fringe Benefits							
Travel (if authorized)							
Equipment (if authorized)							
Supplies							
Contractual (if authorized)	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Other Expenses							
<b>Total Direct Charges</b>	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
Indirect Charges							
<b>Total Amount</b>	\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$50,000

\* Note: For the grant dollars and match dollars columns of your budget plan, indicate total grant and total match dollars for each category.



WILTON SIMPSON  
COMMISSIONER

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**CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING;  
DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER  
RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS  
FOR EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL FUNDS**

**LOBBYING**

As required by 2 CFR 200, for persons entering into a contract, grant or cooperative agreement over **\$100,000** involving the expenditure of Federal funds, the undersigned certifies for itself and its principals that:

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- (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress, in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form - LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
- (c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

CASSIE CORDOVA

FDACS# 33510

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- (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification; and
- (d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transaction (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and

Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

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