

RESOLUTION NO. 2024- 125

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR DESIGNEE, TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS, ON AN ON-GOING BASIS, AND ANY OTHER REQUIRED PAPERWORK, IN ORDER TO SEEK PROGRAM ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE FISH FLORIDA FISHING EQUIPMENT DONATION PROGRAM.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Fish Florida allows organizations to make application through the Fish Florida Fishing Equipment Donation Program; and

WHEREAS, the County has reviewed the completed Grant application; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that none of the requirements, restrictions, and/or obligations associated with award of the Grant, of the Grant itself, negatively impact the interests of the County; and

WHEREAS, applying for grants under the Fish Florida Fishing Equipment Donation Program serves the overall interest of the county.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above Recitals are hereby incorporated into the body of this Resolution, and are adopted as Findings of Fact.

Section 2. The Board of County Commissioners hereby approves and authorizes the County Administrator, or designee, to submit applications, on an on-going basis, based on the approved guidelines for grant submittal (attached hereto, and incorporated herein), on behalf of the St. Johns County Parks and Recreation Department for a Fish Florida Fishing Equipment Donation Program for Youth Fish Camp program supplies in St. Johns County.

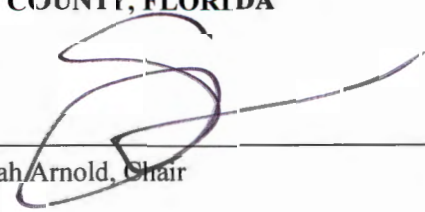
Section 3. To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors that do not change the tone, tenor, or concept of this Resolution, then this Resolution may be revised without subsequent approval of the board of County Commissioners.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be effective upon its execution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 19th day of March, 2024.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

Rendition Date: MAR 19 2024

By: 
Sarah Arnold, Chair

ATTEST: Brandon J. Patty
Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller

By: Crystal Smith
Deputy Clerk





FISHING EQUIPMENT PROGRAM SUMMARY

Fish Florida is a non-profit organization that provides support to groups teaching people, especially children, about Florida fish, aquatic habitats and resource stewardship. The education is accomplished with displays, classes, seminars, presentations, clinics and other means designed to teach and promote responsible angling.

Fish Florida's Fishing Equipment Donation Program assists organizations who teach fishing and conservation in Florida. **It is a REQUIREMENT that your program provide angling instruction to the participants.** We prioritize programs by the following:

- at least 30 minutes of fishing education
 - fishing during the program/event
 - quality of the education program
 - hands-on learning stations (ex. casting, knot tying)
 - benefit to children and inexperienced anglers
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- opportunity offered to underprivileged user groups
 - previous experience of your organization
 - community support
 - financial need
 - number of participants



If your program is approved, you will receive one rod and reel per participant, up to 400, as long as we have that equipment in inventory. **Our fishing equipment supplies are limited.** If you will have over 400 participants or we are unable to give you the full number of rods and reels needed, we can provide sources for purchasing additional fishing equipment.

For an example of a kids' fishing clinic with learning stations, timelines and other useful details, read the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Kids' Fishing Clinic protocol at http://myfwc.com/media/149246/KFC_Protocol.pdf.

Contact Fish Florida if you are uncertain whether your event qualifies, if you have questions about the program or if you have problems completing the application form. After receiving your application, we will review it for completeness, the Fish Florida Board of Directors will vote on it and we will notify you as outlined below.

Requirements

- A minimum of 30 minutes of fishing education must be part of your event
- Fishing equipment may not be used as prizes/awards
- Submit one letter of recommendation/reference
- Email your completed application to the address below
- Fishing equipment will only be shipped to a business address
- Promote Fish Florida at your event (include Fish Florida's logo on websites, press releases and brochures, display banner, distribute postcards)
- Submit a post-event report with photos after your event

Date of Your Program	Application Due Date	Notice of Decision	Equipment Ships After
January 1 - March 31	October 1	November 1	December 1
April 1 - June 30	January 1	February 1	March 1
July 1 - September 30	April 1	May 1	June 1
October 1 - December 31	July 1	August 1	September 1

Fish Florida's programs (grants, fishing equipment donations and scholarships) are possible because of the Fish Florida specialty license plate and community donations. The license plate is for sale at Florida tag agencies. Ask your community to support Fish Florida by purchasing the Fish Florida license plate and by making tax-deductible donations.

FLORIDA FOUNDATION FOR RESPONSIBLE ANGLING (dba FISH FLORIDA) REGISTRATION # CH12595

"A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL-FREE (800-435-7352) WITHIN THE STATE. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE."





FISHING EQUIPMENT

APPLICATION

Typed applications only. Use as much space as necessary to provide complete answers.
If you have ANY questions, contact Fish Florida.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Organization Name			
Contact Person			
Title			
E-Mail			
Phone			
Website			
Address			
City, State, Zip			
Organization Type?	Public	Private	Non-profit
Organization's History			

EVENT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

Title			
Date(s)			
Start Time			
End Time			
Location name the marina, pier, etc.			
Street Address, City			
# of Volunteers			
# of Participants			
Age of Participants			
Description of Participants ex. 5 th graders, scout troop			
Put an X next to the items that will be in your program			
ADA-Compliant Location		Angling Ethics Information	
Adults Accompany Children		Fishing Opportunity	
Drinking Water Available		Kids Keep Rods Used at Event	
Restrooms		Learning Stations	
		Casting Practice	
		Habitat Information	
		How to Tie Knots	
		Tackle Information	

Volunteer Training		Use of Circle Hooks at Event		Cost to Participant	\$
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EVENT/PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This is the most important information. Write a detailed description of the FISHING EDUCATION - learning stations, teaching tools, catch and release techniques, types of knots, pre- and post-tests, etc.

The mission of Fish Florida shall be to promote public awareness of and encourage the protection of marine fisheries and coastal habitats. This will be accomplished through displays, classes, seminars, presentations, clinics and other means designed to teach and promote responsible angling, particularly to Florida's youth.

Marketing and Publicity Summary	
How does this program relate to Fish Florida's mission?	

EVENT BUDGET - You must complete this section. If a category does not apply, indicate NA.

	Expenses	Provide details
example	\$200.00	hot dogs for 400 children
Administration	\$	
Awards	\$	
Equipment/Rentals	\$	
Fees	\$	
Food	\$	
Insurance	\$	
Marketing	\$	
Travel & Housing	\$	
Other	\$	
TOTAL	\$	
	Income	Income Source
example	\$200.00	value of in-kind donation of 400 hot dogs from Publix
Admissions	\$	
Donations*	\$	
Grants	\$	
Sales	\$	
Sponsorships	\$	
Other	\$	
TOTAL	\$	

*Do not include Fish Florida fishing equipment request.

DONATION REQUEST



# of Rods & Reels Needed	
Have you ever received a donation from Fish Florida? If so, explain the event, donation and # of participants	

APPLICANT SIGNATURE/DISCLAIMER

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have read and understand Fish Florida Donation Summary and Application and that all information included in this application is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant (typed name allowed)	Title	Date
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