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LCSO to Host Quarterly Farm Share on November 6

The Leon County Sheriff's Office will host its quarterly Farm Share food distribution at the main office, 2825 Municipal Way, on Wednesday, November 6, 2019.

Farm Share was created in 1991 as a response to food waste. The organization's founder, Patricia Robbins Alger, discovered that thousands of pounds of perfectly good fruits and vegetables were discarded daily by farmers and others because they weren't "pretty" enough to sell commercially.

Farm Share serves more than 2,000 partnering agencies and provides more than 88 million pounds of food annually – still at no cost – with the help of thousands of volunteers. Farm Share serves all 67 counties in Florida through its warehouses in Quincy, Jacksonville, Florida City, Homestead, and Pompano Beach. For every dollar donated, Farm Share can distribute 10 pounds of food.

State of Florida Agricultural Commissioner Nikki Fried and Farm Share CEO Stephen Shelley will be on hand for Wednesday's distribution.

LCSO has partnered with Farm Share since 2017 to help bring food to those in need in the Leon County community. Deputies and community volunteers are on hand to sort and load items into vehicles, as well as greet recipients. LCSO Farm Share distributions are a component of the ALLinLEON initiative to help make Leon County and safer place to live, work and play.

WHO: Farm Share and LCSOWHAT: Food DistributionWHEN: November 6, 2019 8AM until food runs outWHERE: 2825 Municipal Way, Tallahassee, FL



