

January 10, 2023

Ms. Takiyah Douse, City Administrator  
Augusta Richmond County  
535 Telfair Street, Suite 910  
Augusta, GA 30901

RE: Golden Harvest Food Bank – Produce Rescue Center (Fresh Warehouse)  
Funding Commitment Statement

Dear Ms. Douse,

Golden Harvest Food Bank is absolutely thrilled to receive a Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) block grant award for \$3.7 million. These funds will allow us to collect fresh farm foods from local growers and distribute them to thousands of hungry people across a 25-county service area.

Our Board of Directors voted to award a contract for construction in the amount of \$5,586,098 to Augusta-based RW Allen Construction to build our new Produce Rescue Center. The DCA will fund about two thirds of the cost, and Golden Harvest and our Board of Directors will be responsible for all project costs beyond the \$3.7 million grant amount.

We look forward to a groundbreaking in early February. On behalf of our Board, we hope you will express our sincere thanks to the Commission for adding their blessing to this project that will build distribution capacity and help bridge the hunger gap in the Augusta area.

If you have any questions about our project or programs, please feel to contact me.

Sincerely,



Amy C. Breitmann  
President & CEO  
Golden Harvest Food Bank