


<div>PLENITUD PUERTO RICO</div>		
BUDGET: SSARE PROPOSAL, 2022 - 2024		
Project Objectives and Budget Categories	Costs- SARE Funding	Costs- Matching & Inkind
1 Agroecological Incubator for Small Businesses		
We are creating a market gardening incubation program for 4 limited - resource and/or women farmers. These farmers have already participated in our basic sustainable agriculture practices training and will be entering our incubation program to start up their market gardens or improve their operations. They will prepare a full crop plan and business plan, complete 240 hrs. of training and receive the basic tools and materials to begin production, and gain access to clients and marketing support. They will also recieve consulting from the organization, Voz Activa for legal and financial support for their proyects.		
*4 (participants) x 48 sessions, x \$30/day stipend	\$5,760.00	
*Materials: small scale tools, compost, seeds	\$5,576.00	
*Voz Activa Organization Consulting Costs (20hr x 4 farmers x \$25/hr)	\$2,000.00	
Total	\$13,336.00	\$0.00
2 Test and distribute improved 2nd edition of sustainable agriculture book		
We will test and distribute the 2nd edition of our educational tool, a spanish sustainable agriculture book titled, <i>¡Siembra Boricua! Manual de agricultura en armonia con la naturaleza</i> . Last year we tested the first edition of this book and received positive feedback on the need of this tool and its effectiveness. After making the necessary improvements, we are currently completing the second edition and will be testing its effectiveness at supporting farmers in their sustainable agriculture practices and increase in Food Access and Literacy awareness. This process will improve our ability to create long shelf-life educational tools that can support beginning and established farms towards sustainable agriculture.		
*520 hrs. of Distribution and marketing x \$18/hr	\$9,360.00	
*Salary Costs to Plenitud PR (10%)	\$936.00	
*Purchase 26 manuals for main program participants (\$30 each)	\$780.00	
Total	\$11,076.00	\$0.00
3 Tools to simplify small scale sustainable farming management and marketing		
For small scale sustainable farming to become more and more common in Puerto Rico, it has to be more efficient. We want to test and teach how to use the following tools for that purpose. These will help with the most common and time consuming tasks in the farm including adding soil amendments, weeding and seeding. We will also be training with different two wheel tractor amendments that we have already aquired and tools like broadforks and stir up hoes.		
*Precision Seeder	\$450.00	
*Sillage Tarps	\$400.00	
*flail mower to integrate cover crops into biointensive systems	\$2,000.00	
*Shipping		\$700.00
Total	\$2,850.00	\$700.00
4 Small sustainable farmers collaboration program		
Coordinate and host 4 gatherings with at least 5 sustainable small scale producers to discuss opportunities for colaboration with farm efforts, resources and marketing. According to the needs, we will also provide free training and consulting on efficiency tools, minimizing costs, and provide space in our food hub and marketing efforts as a resource to support these developing begining farmers. They will recieve a stipend for each meeting attended and we will reserve funding for colaborative projects generated from the conversations or technical/legal support they my need.		
*Pueblo Critico Consulting Costs (75hr x \$25/hr)	\$1,600.00	
*Farmer Stipend (\$30/meeting x 4 meetings x 7 farmers)	\$840.00	
*Funds reserved for projects generated or technical/legal support	\$1,378.00	
Total	\$3,818.00	\$0.00
5 Revise and create educational material and farm planning tools		
This past year we created educational material for our interns, mentees and course participants, sharing the basics of crop details, rotations and planning in the tropics. We learned it was very important to create food literacy material since beginning farmers are having difficulty getting their sales up because consumers are not aware of the importance of buying fresh produce from local farmers. This year we will be revising the educational material created to make them more useful and understandable and will be creating more tools and materials to faciilitate their marketing. (6 months, 5hr./wk.); (6 months, 3 hr./wk.)		
*120 hrs. professional services in graphic design x \$18/hour		\$2,160.00
*72 hrs. professional services in preparing educational content x \$18/hour		\$1,296.00
*Salary Costs to Plenitud PR (10%)		\$345.60
Total	\$0.00	\$3,801.60
6 Educational programing implemented in the previous year		
Agroecological Apprenticeship for 15-20 participants. (Materials and Instructor costs)		5,000
Agroecological Mentorship for 1-2 participants (Materials and Stipends)		\$2,000.00
Agroecological Internship for 1 participant (Salary)		\$12,000.00
Total	\$0.00	\$19,000.00
7 Production and sale of vegetables in local markets		
Throughout the duration of the project, the production and sale of vegetables will generate an income stream for the project that will support with overhead costs as well as provide opportunities for workshop participants to gain valuable experience.		
*Daimier Castro, Lead Agronomist responsible for production and sales; Matching Funds utilized; 100 hrs. / month x \$12/hour		\$14,400.00
*Rosalia Martinez, Supporting farmer responsible for farm management; Matching Funds utilized; 80 hrs./month x \$12/hour		\$11,520.00
Agricultural materials and supplies including seeds, compost, tools, etc.		\$2,000.00
	\$0.00	\$27,920.00
8 Administration and Coordination		
There will be two investigators involved in the administration of this grant and its coordination. Mrs. Paula Paoli-Garrido will serve 132 hrs. in-kind to support with grant reporting and communications directly with SARE and overseeing weekly planning for the completion of projects and manual distribution. Mrs. Rebekah Sanchez-Cruz will serve 1,540 hrs. throughout the duration of the project (680 hrs. in-kind) coordinating main activities with collaborators, support creation and revisión of education material and evaluation tools, purchase materials and serve as the main instructor for educational programs.		
Rebekah Sanchez Cruz - Investigator 1 (Admin) 860 hrs. x \$20/hour	\$17,200.00	\$0.00
Paula Paoli Garrido - Investigator 2 In-kind (Project Supervisor) 132 hrs. x \$25/hour	\$0.00	\$3,300.00
Bryan Brunner, PhD - Consultant In-kind (Project Supervisor) 40 hrs. x \$60/hour (In-kind)	\$0.00	\$2,400.00
AmeriCorps Vista Member 1 Matching/In-kind (Assist coordination and outreach education); 75% of Time	\$0.00	\$11,251.50
AmeriCorps Vista Member 2 Matching/In-kind (Content creation and marketing); 25% of Time	\$0.00	\$3,750.50
*Salary Costs to Plenitud PR (10%)	\$1,720.00	
Total	\$18,920.00	\$20,702.00
Total Budget for Project	\$50,000.00	\$72,123.60