THE PROGRAM	LEAD ORGANIZATION	THE GENERAL FUND REQUEST
Farm to School & Early Childhood Current program in VAAFM that offers small grants to schools and	VT FEED/Farm to School Network	\$500,000 in base funding annually.
childcare providers to start or supplement farm to school programs. Also, grants to partner orgs to provide technical assistance.	VI I ELD/I allii to school Network	(FY21 - \$171k)
Vermont Farm Share	NOFA-Vermont	\$75,000 in base funding annually. (new request – would double number of shares currently available through other funding)
Subsidized Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) shares for low-income people.		
Agency of Education Position in Child		
Nutrition Program	Hunger Free Vermont	~\$100,000 in base funding annually (new request)
To support schools with transition to universal school meals. (Also in <u>H.32</u> , but needed in FY22 regardless of bill passing)		
Vermonters Feeding Vermonters		\$500,000 in base funding annually. (new request, but some CRF\$ was allocated toward this program in 2020)
Foodbank purchasing local food direct from Vermont producers at market rate for distribution to families in need. Funding would supplement existing program to allow more local food purchasing.	Vermont Foodbank	

BILL AND APPROPRIATION	LEAD ORGANIZATION	THE GENERAL FUND REQUEST
Vermont Food for Vermont Kids – H.150 (local food purchasing incentive)	VT FEED/Farm to School Network	Reimbursement incentive for meeting local purchasing % goals in schools. Incentive funds would come from general fund, as bill is drafted now.

COVID/ONE TIME APPROPRIATION NEED	LEAD ORGANIZATION	THE ONE-TIME REQUEST
Vermont Farmers to Families Food Boxes	Vermont Foodbank	\$1.5million The Vermont Foodbank has continued the food box program during the gap created by the USDA not funding it in January and February. The Foodbank is distributing 500 boxes of food/day, with more than half of the box containing local food. These costs are being paid now – in January and February of 2021.
Doubled Distribution of Food for Vermonters in Need due to COVID	Vermont Foodbank	\$5.5million for calendar year 2021 Increased food insecurity is continuing and ongoing, and the Foodbank is responding as needed – and needs continued emergency funding for this response.
Vermont Everyone Eats	Southeastern Vermont Community Action	(funded in BAA – no additional FY22 request at this time)