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## **Sarasota County receives grant for family nutrition**

Sarasota County's Family Nutrition Program has been approved for grant funding of almost \$482,000 from the United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) for fiscal year 2011. The funding will continue to provide nutrition, budgeting and food safety education.

The program provides nine program assistants and one program coordinator who teach at the four health department locations, social service offices, senior centers, food commodity locations, preschools and Sarasota County public schools, targeting food-stamp eligible residents.

Provided by the University of Florida/Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences and Sarasota County, the Family Nutrition Program is part of USDA's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and is the largest in the Florida. The grant for 2011 is the ninth consecutive year the program received funding from USDA.

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