

U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Ethics

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

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This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed. Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Gisselle Reynolds
  2. a. Name of accompanying relative: \_\_\_\_\_ *or* None   
 b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
  3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: Feb. 21, 2018 Return: Feb. 23, 2018  
 b. Dates at personal expense (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ *or* None
  4. Departure city: Washington, D.C. Destination: West Palm Beach, FL; Clewiston, FL Return city: Washington, D.C.
  5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): South Florida Agriculture Foundation, Inc.
  6. Describe meetings and events attended: Meetings and visits related to agriculture industry
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*):
- a.  a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
  - b.  the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
  - c.  page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; **and**
  - d.  the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*):   
 b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER: Gisselle Reynolds DATE: 03/05/18

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

NAME OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: Mano Diaz-Bryan DATE: 3/5/18

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: [Signature]

**U.S. House of Representatives  
Committee on Ethics**

**SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM**

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. *A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.* You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc.
2. Travel Destination(s): West Palm Beach & Clewiston, Palm Beach & Hendry Counties, Florida
3. Date of Departure: Feb. 21, 2018 Date of Return: Feb. 23, 2018
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Gisselle Reynolds  
(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)
5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	<b>\$272.09</b>	338.00	146.40	
Accompanying Relative				

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box):

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: *Ardis Hammock*

Name: Ardis Hammock Title: President

Organization: South Florida Agricultural Foundation

**I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box):**

Address: 224 Datura Street, Suite 1114  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Telephone number: 561-315-0481

Email Address: Contact: Cheryl@soflagfoundation.org

*Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.*

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Gisselle Reynolds
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc.
3. Travel destination(s): West Palm Beach, Clewiston and Belle Glade, FL
4. a. Date of departure Wed., February 21, 2018 Date of return: Friday, February 23, 2018  
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  Yes  No  
If yes, dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense?  Yes  No  
b. If yes:  
(1) Name of accompanying relative: \_\_\_\_\_  
(2) Relationship to traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age:  Yes  No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)?  Yes  No  
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms:  Yes  No  
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.  
I am the Legislative Assistant handling agriculture policy in the office  
and this visit is connected to the issues I handle.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip?  Yes  No

10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:**  
**TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:**

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: 1/21/17

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Employing Member

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**PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM**

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.**

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): \_\_\_\_\_  
South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc. \_\_\_\_\_
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box):
3. Check only one: I represent that:
  - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip  *or*
  - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds  *or*
  - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.   
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):  
See attached list \_\_\_\_\_
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)?  Yes  No
6. Date of departure: Wed., February 21, 2018 Date of return: Friday, February 23, 2018
7. a. City of departure: Washington Reagan Airport, Washington, DC  
b. Destination(s): West Palm Beach, Clewiston and Belle Glade, FL  
c. City of return: Washington, DC
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
  - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965:  *or*
  - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent:  *or*
  - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. Check one of the following:
  - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
  - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
  - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night:  *or*
  - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights:   
If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (indicate agenda is attached by checking box):

11. Check one:

- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (signify that the statement is true by checking box):  or  
b. N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

The South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc. is the sole sponsor of this congressional staffers trip. The mission of the South Florida Agricultural Foundation is to provide educational and stewardship

opportunities within the South Florida agricultural industry, including sugarcane, citrus, sweet corn, celery, rice and other local crops. Each stop on the trip represents an important part of food

production in the area, which ranks in the top 10 in the nation for agricultural revenue.

13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.

- a. Mode of travel: Air  Rail  Bus  Car  Other  (Specify: Airboat)  
b. Class of travel: Coach  Business  First  Charter  Other  (Specify: \_\_\_\_\_)  
c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

15. I represent that either (check one of the following):

- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees:  or  
b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation:

If "b" is checked:

- 1) Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \_\_\_\_\_  
Wed. lunch/dinner \$44.25, Thurs. brkfast/lunch/dinner \$79.00, Fri. brkfast/lunch \$20.00  
2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: \_\_\_\_\_  
To provide first hand knowledge and experience of the inner workings of the South Florida agricultural industry.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel name: Roland Martin Marina Hotel City: Clewiston, FL Cost per night: 99.00

Reason(s) for selecting: Located in the heart of the Glades area farms on the western part of the tour route

Hotel name: West Palm Beach Marriott City: West Palm Bch, FL Cost per night: 239.00

Reason(s) for selecting: Located near the farms and the airport which is at the eastern end of the tour route

Hotel name: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost per night: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) for selecting: \_\_\_\_\_

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box):

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total <i>Transportation</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Meal</i> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$318.10	\$338.00	\$143.25
For each accompanying relative			

	<i>Other</i> Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee		
For each accompanying relative		

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19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below.  *or*  
 b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: *Ardis Hammock*  
 Name: Ardis Hammock  
 Title: President  
 Organization: South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc.  
 Address: 224 Datura St., Ste. 1114, West Palm Beach, FL 33401  
 Telephone number: 561-315-0481  
 Email address: Questions contact: Cheryl@SoFLAgFoundation.org

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

Committee on Ethics  
 U.S. House of Representatives  
 1015 Longworth House Office Building  
 Washington, DC 20515  
 (202) 225-7103 (phone)  
 (202) 225-7392 (general fax)

Susan W. Brooks, Indiana  
*Chairwoman*  
Theodore E. Deutch, Florida  
*Ranking Member*



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## U.S. House of Representatives

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Ms. Gisselle Reynolds  
Office of the Honorable Mario Diaz-Balart  
440 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Reynolds:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Clewiston and West Palm Beach, Florida, scheduled for February 21 to 23, 2018, sponsored by South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Susan W. Brooks  
Chairwoman

Theodore E. Deutch  
Ranking Member

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**South Florida Agricultural Foundation**  
**ITINERARY**  
**2018 Congressional Staff Tour**  
**Feb. 21-23, 2018**

**Wednesday, February 21, 2018**

6:59 – 9:40 AM	Depart Washington-Reagan National Airport on American Airlines Flight #527.
9:40 – 10:00 AM	Arrive West Palm Beach International Airport.
10:00 – 10:30 AM	SFAF group leaders will meet guests at the West Palm Beach airport, locate luggage and board bus. Guests will be transported by bus for the duration of the trip.
10:30 – 11:30 AM	Depart airport – snacks on board during route to agricultural area. A representative from the Florida Sugarcane League will also be on the bus and narrate sites along the drive through the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) which surrounds the Southern area of Lake Okeechobee.
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Arrive at Everglades Equipment Group in Belle Glade where SFAF will provide a catered lunch. Presentation by Jason Tucker, Everglades Farm Equipment, discussing new technology used in farming, how EPA regulations affect farm equipment and other issues of equipment compliance. Agricultural tractors and other equipment will be on display and staffers will be provided a tour of the facility.
1:00 – 1:30 PM	Depart Everglades Equipment Group to travel to Roland Martin Marina in Clewiston.
1:30 PM	Arrive at Roland Martin Marina.
1:30 – 3:00 PM	Depart for airboat tour of Lake Okeechobee; Out on the lake, William Baker, P.E., MacVicar Consulting, Inc., will explain the relationship between the lake and agriculture, discuss water quality and quantity issues and how EAA farmers must comply with federal water regulations.
3:00 – 4:30 PM	Check into Roland Martin Marina hotel, prepare for citrus tour and dinner presentation.
4:30 – 6:00 PM	Depart hotel, drive to Southern Gardens Citrus in Clewiston – presentation by Southern Gardens Citrus Team: Denise Roth, Plant Manager, will discuss the citrus processing industry, utilization of every part of an orange and address related food safety issues. During grove stops, Tim Eyrich, Vice President of Development, will discuss citrus greening, hurricanes and other issues destructive to citrus crops, and how they work with the USDA’s APHIS (Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service) to develop new citrus varieties and combat citrus diseases.
6:00 – 6:45 PM	Arrive at Dunwody Lodge in Clewiston for welcome reception and opportunity to speak one-on-one with local farmers who grow sugarcane, corn, green beans, kale and broccoli.
6:50 – 9:00 PM	Dinner and American Farm Policy & Trade presentation by Judy Sanchez, Senior Director Of Corporate Communications, U.S. Sugar Corp., discussing renewal of the farm bill, NAFTA and other trade issues. SFAF will cater dinner, steaks cooked by Cattlemen’s Association highlighting local beef industry. Local elected officials such as mayors, city commission and county commission will also attend, relating how local government coordinates with state and federal officials on agricultural issues.
9:00 PM	Return to Roland Martin Marina Hotel



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**Thursday, February 22, 2018**

8:00 – 8:30 AM	Pick up breakfast-to-go from marina, provided by SFAF and board bus
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Bus departs marina and drives to U.S. Sugar Corp. Mill & Refinery
9:00 – 10:30 AM	Arrive at United States Sugar Corp. Mill and Refinery for tour of sugarcane processing procedures. Discussion at the mill will include compliance with OSHA and federal air quality standards, while the refinery will focus on FDA food safety and labeling issues.
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Tour Sugarcane Field operations and harvesting – Les Baucum, U.S. Sugar Corp. and Judy Sanchez, Senior Director of Corporate Communications, U.S. Sugar Corp., will discuss compliance of worker protection standards, burning regulations, pesticide and herbicide issues and other Federal regulations that have an impact on the cost and procedures of farming sugarcane.
12:15 – 12:30 PM	Stop at Clewiston Chamber of Commerce, SFAF will provide lunch to pick up and eat on the bus while traveling to next tour.
12:30 – 1:00 PM	Travel to Branch Packing in South Bay.
1:00 – 1:30 PM	Tour Branch Packing vegetable operations where fresh Florida sweet corn, green beans and other vegetables and herbs are processed for distribution. Brett Bergmann will discuss federal regulations that affect food safety, packaging and labeling.
1:30 – 2:00 PM	Travel to A. Duda vegetable farm in Belle Glade
2:00 – 3:30 PM	Arrive at Duda vegetable farm for in-field experience of celery harvesting and other operations as available. Sam Jones will discuss labor issues, H2A worker program and food safety regulations that affect how they harvest vegetables in the field.
3:30 – 5:00 PM	Depart Duda to travel to West Palm Beach.
5:00 – 6:30 PM	Check in at Marriott Hotel, West Palm Beach, prepare for dinner and evening program.
6:30 – 6:45 PM	Meet in hotel lobby.
6:45 – 7:00 PM	Board bus and depart for dinner.
7:00 – 9:00 PM	Dinner at The Regional, CityPlace, West Palm Beach, farm to table restaurant featuring local produce. Palm Beach County Commissioner Melissa McKinlay, who represents the area where the western county farms and some of the eastern farms are located, will discuss the importance of agriculture to Palm Beach County. Clay Hollis, External Affairs Director, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, will talk about the importance of the Everglades Agricultural Area to the State of Florida and the challenges the state has coordinating with federal agricultural regulations.
9:00 PM	Return to Marriott Hotel.

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**Friday, February 23, 2018**

8:30 – 8:50 AM	Check out of Hotel and load bus for tour, continental breakfast on the bus provided by SFAF.
8:50 – 9:15 AM	Drive to Mounts Botanical Gardens in West Palm Beach
9:15 – 9:30 AM	Frank Dowdle of The Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service and a staff member of Mounts Botanical Gardens will give a short presentation about Mounts Botanical Garden. The Palm Beach Cooperative Extension Service is housed at Mounts Botanical Gardens. A presentation on the 23 different gardens on site, including how water and resources affect soil types, a discussion of the variety of plants grown at the gardens, how cooperative extensions are the feet on the ground for education and training of Federal Regulation programs pertaining to agriculture
9:45 – 11:00 AM	One-on-one roundtable discussion with farmer members of Florida Farm Bureau's eastern Palm Beach County region moderated by Eva Webb, Assistant Director Field Services, Florida Farm Bureau Federation. Farmers representing sweet corn, green beans, peppers, tomatoes and other vegetables, nursery operations and agricultural research will discuss issues with federal pest management regulations, H2A worker programs, wage and labor compliance, NAFTA and how farming is impacted by state and federal issues.
11:15 AM – 12:00 PM	SFAF will provide lunch featuring local produce, while SFAF Board gives a wrap-up overview of the previous days' presentations and explains how a broad understanding of agricultural issues plays a vital role in the lives of the farmers in Florida.
12:00 – 12:30	Tour of the gardens will be conducted.
12:45 – 1:00 PM	Depart for West Palm Beach International Airport.
2:50 – 5:25 PM	Depart for Washington-Reagan National Airport on American Airlines Flight #1849.
5:25 PM	Arrive Reagan National Airport.

\*Note: All food/catering/transportation/lodging paid for by the South Florida Agricultural Foundation

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11:30 AM	Arrive at Everglades Farm Equipment in Belle Glade for lunch & tour
1:00 PM	Depart Everglades Farm Equipment to travel to Roland Martin Marina
1:30 PM	Arrive at Roland Martin Marina, Clewiston for airboat tour of Lake Okeechobee; discussion with Ernie Barnett, Florida Water and Land Advisors
3:00 PM	Check into Roland Martin Marina hotel, personal time
4:30 PM	Depart hotel, drive through Southern Gardens Citrus, Clewiston – Nursery/grove stops, presentation by Citrus Team (Denise Roth, Plant Manager and presentation on Citrus Greening by Tim Eyrich, Vice President of Development, Southern Gardens Citrus)
6:00 PM	Arrive at Dunwody Lodge for welcome reception and dinner, Clewiston – American Farm Policy & Trade presentation by Judy Sanchez, Senior Director Of Corporate Communications, U.S. Sugar Corp. Local sugarcane farmers and elected officials will attend. Cattlemen’s Association will cater dinner, highlighting local beef industry
9:00 PM	Return to Roland Martin Marina Hotel

**Thursday, February 22, 2018**

8:00 AM	Get breakfast-to-go from marina
8:30 AM	Bus departs marina
9:00 – 11:00 AM	Arrive at United States Sugar Corp. Mill and Refinery for tour of sugarcane processing procedures
11:15 – 12:30 PM	Tour Sugarcane Field operations – Les Baucum, U.S. Sugar Corp. and Judy Sanchez, Senior Director of Corporate Communications, U.S. Sugar Corp.
1:00 PM	Lunch on the bus while traveling to next tour
2:00 – 3:30 PM	Tour vegetable operations: Branch Packing, South Bay – Tour a vegetable packing house where fresh Florida sweet corn is processed for distribution. A Duda vegetables, Belle Glade – In-field experience of vegetable operations.
3:30 PM	Depart Duda to travel to West Palm Beach

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5:00 PM Check in at Marriott Hotel, West Palm Beach, Personal time  
6:30 PM Meet in hotel lobby  
6:45 PM Depart for dinner  
7:00 PM Dinner at The Regional, CityPlace, West Palm Beach, farm to table restaurant featuring local produce. Palm Beach County Commissioner Melissa McKinlay, who represents the area where the western county farms and some of the eastern farms are located, will discuss the importance of agriculture to Palm Beach County. A representative from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will talk about the importance of Palm Beach County agriculture to the State of Florida.  
9:00 PM Return to Marriott Hotel

**Friday, February 23, 2018**

8:30 AM Check out of Hotel and load bus for tour  
Breakfast in lobby/on the bus - Drive to Mounts Botanical Gardens  
9:15 – 10:15 AM Short gardens presentation, then tour at leisure  
10:30 – 11:30 AM One-on-one roundtable discussion with farmer members of Florida Farm Bureau's eastern Palm Beach County region; Eva Webb, Assistant Director Field Services, Florida Farm Bureau Federation. Agricultural industry representatives will feature sweet corn, green beans & other vegetables, rice, nursery operations and ag research.  
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM Lunch featuring local produce  
12:45 PM Depart for West Palm Beach International Airport  
2:50 PM Depart for Washington-Reagan National Airport on American Airlines Flight #1849  
5:25 PM Arrive Reagan National Airport

**SOUTH FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL FOUNDATION  
FEBRUARY 2018 CONGRESSIONAL STAFFERS INVITATION LIST**

These key congressional staffers were invited to educate them on the vital role that Federal research programs and policy have played in building and maintaining a robust agricultural industry in Florida. They were chosen because their position or their Members' committee assignments include participation in agriculture policy.

Trevor	White	House	Agriculture	Committee	HAC
John	Weber	House	Agriculture	Committee	HAC
Josh	Maxwell	House	Agriculture	Committee	HAC
James	Hauser	Rep.	Alma	Adams	NC
Zellie	Duvall	Rep.	Rick	Allen	GA
Elissa	McLerran	Rep.	Jodey	Arrington	TX
Jeffrey	Kuckuck	Rep.	Andy	Biggs	AZ
Johnathan	Vecchi	Rep.	Gus	Bilirakis	FL
Michael	Reed	Rep.	Sanford	Bishop	GA
Paul	Smith	Rep.	Rod	Blum	IA
Matt	McCullough	Rep.	Mike	Bost	IL
Helena	Mastrogianis	Rep.	Brendan	Boyle	PA
Sean	Brady	Rep.	Vern	Buchanan	FL
Andrew	Bell	Rep.	Ted	Budd	NC
Steffanie	Bezruki	Rep.	Cheri	Bustos	IL
Robert	Schroeder	Rep.	John	Carter	TX
Steve	Thornton	Rep.	Katherine	Clark	MA
Ryan	McManus	Rep.	Barbara	Comstock	VA
Lauren	Fleming	Rep.	John	Culberson	TX
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