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I am a metro rider. I believe that the highest number of Metro riders are in our neighborhood. There have been a handful of times the 18 is packed with people and groceries at the west transfer station. The comments I hear from riders and drivers are some thing like this, "Don't worry 3/4 of the bus will clear out once we pass Allied area." Now, I am "allied area", although they may not have assumed as such. So, instead of sassing or being defensive, I watch, wait and note what does happen. They indeed were more than correct. This "allied area" is until Seminole Highway; however. So, there are many riders in Dunn's Marsh. Also, many of them with bags of groceries swaying about. I have a call out to Ann Schroder(spelling?) of Metro for statistical facts. So, in behalf of every one who can not drive or own a car for whatever reason in all of Dunn's Marsh; it makes no difference what color of the human rainbow we are- we all need food!

The entire area below the beltline to county PD/McKee Rd. and the entire geographical region between Verona Road/Highway 151 and Seminole Highway, needs to eat! It am not sure of the population in this area; but, it is a lot. We may not be rich; but, the majority of us are working or trying to work at working. There are many good people in our neighborhood. We are all in a food dessert. My husband and I believe, strongly, that our neighborhood deserves a grocery store! We believe in the neighbors owning and running it. Dunn's Marsh Neighborhood Association was the first to put our money in and are partnering with Allied Community Cooperative. John and Thea Bach were the second ones to put our money and membership in. That was not enough; however, Thea jumped at the opportunity to be an employee of the Allied Community Cooperative. I am also on council of Dunn's Marsh Neighborhood Association.

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