



## Participatory Budgeting (PB) Cycle 7 Proposal Decision

### Background

PB was put on hold as of March 2020. The Cycle 7 PB vote did not occur as planned given the high reliance on in-person outreach efforts for community engagement.

As of January 2021, the PB Steering Committee is considering how to proceed with Cycle 7 voting. They will be reviewing the Cycle 7 proposals at the March Steering Committee meeting and deciding on the next steps, including which proposals to include in the Cycle 7 vote given the decrease in allocated program funds. A request was made to reach out to all budget delegates to ask if they would like to update their proposal, have it considered in Cycle 8, or withdraw it. The PBSC will use this information to inform their decision-making.

### Instructions

Please complete the form indicating your preference in moving forward with your proposal and submit it by February 8, 2021.

Please email [Felicia.Flores@cityofvallejo.net](mailto:Felicia.Flores@cityofvallejo.net) with any questions.

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Proposal Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Budget Delegates

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Implementing Partner

Our team would like to:

- Update our proposal and submit it by March 5<sup>th</sup> for consideration in Cycle 7
- Have our proposal be considered for Cycle 8
- Withdraw our proposal

Comments

**1. Title:**  
**No Child Goes Hungry**

**2. Total Budget:**  
**\$74,800**

**3. Name:**  
**Mary Ann Buggs**  
**Jeffrey Hall**

**4. Email:**



**5. Type of Project:**  
**Service**

**6. Detailed Project Description:**

The target population that would be served are school age children that are receiving free or reduced cost lunches. This proposal would serve 187 of the neediest children, from Vallejo City Unified School Districts schools, weekend meals for forty weeks. The food will be distributed discreetly to maintain the children's dignity. VCUSD will subcontract the project to an appropriate non-profit organization. They will obtain bids using best practices. Students will be chosen based on the following criteria:

1. Students must be eligible for the district free and reduced priced meal program
2. Family must be determined by site administration to be a family under economic hardship or homeless.
3. The family has responded with interest in participating in the No Child Goes Hungry Program based on the invitation of the principal.

These criteria will maintain the confidentiality and dignity of the student participants.

**7. Why is This Project Needed?**

The first answer is you can't teach a hungry child. Studies have shown myriad of problems caused by hungry and mal-nourished children. Children who know that they will not get enough to eat on weekends start acting out on Friday afternoons and their behavior doesn't stabilize until Monday afternoon. Because of this acting out they learn less resulting in lower achievement and test scores. Acting out can lead to these children being ostracized by other children resulting in retarded social growth. Studies have shown that this retarded social growth can follow them into adulthood. This period of hunger stunts emotional and physical development. 100 percent of the children served by this program are below poverty level.

**8. How Will This Project Address or Solve This Need and/or Problem?**

This program will deliver weekend meals approximately 40 weeks a year to low income students of VCUSD. This program will serve 187 students. As a result, these students will achieve higher test scores, and be healthier, mentally[JH1] , physically, emotionally and socially.

**9. Describe in Detail How Residents, Visitors, Groups, Communities, Geographic Areas, or the City of Vallejo Will Benefit from This Project:**

The students that are in the program get a direct benefit as they will receive approximately forty meals per school year. The need for this program is steadily growing. Happy, healthy children perform better in school and develop their full potential. The result for Vallejo is better educated citizens, which is our future.

**10. Describe the Potential Challenges and/or Obstacles for This Project:**

This type of program has been implemented in other school districts. The challenges for this program will be the advertising, recruitment, purchasing and distribution of the food.

**11. Who Will Implement This Project:**  
Vallejo City Unified School District

**12. Where Will the Project be Implemented?**  
The City of Vallejo and Vallejo schools.

**13. Itemized Budget:**  
The amount requested will provide weekend meals 187 children for approximately forty weeks during the school year. (\$7.480= 7,400 weekend meals @ \$10.00 per meal). This request is for raw food expenses only.

**14. Describe the Project Timeline/Schedule:**  
For approximately forty school weeks after funding

**Recommended US caloric requirements for children:**

Children 5-10 : Moderately active: 1400-1800/day

Children 11-16: Moderately active: 1800-2800/day

**Friday dinner - 410 total calories**

Bumble Bee Chicken snack can - 220 calories \$.59

Capri Sun 100% Juice - 70 calories \$.28

Lara Bar, Blueberry - 120 calories \$.45

**Saturday (1830 total calories)****Breakfast - 520 total calories**

Belvita protein cracker pack (4) - 230 calories \$.34

Carnation Milk carton - 220 calories \$.85

Capri Sun 100% Juice - 70 calories \$.28

**Lunch - 580 calories**

Bumble Bee tuna snack pack - 220 calories \$.59

Fruit snacks - 80 calories \$.14

Combo snacks - 140 calories \$.35

10 Saltine crackers - 140 calories \$.29

Dannon blueberry probiotic dairy drink - 100 calories \$.30

**Dinner - 630 calories**

Hormel Chili with Beans - 220 calories \$.63

Animal crackers pack - 120 calories \$.25

Carnation milk - 220 calories \$.75

Mixed fruit plastic cup - 70 calories \$.33

**SUNDAY (1470 TOTAL CALORIES)****Breakfast - 500 total calories**

Ocean Spray Ruby Red grapefruit juice bottle - 130 calories \$.545

Nutri Grain mixed berry breakfast bars - 130 calories \$.25

Quaker protein bar - 240 calories \$.40

**Lunch - 420 total calories**

Turkey Snack Bites - 120 calories \$.40

Muscle milk blueberry smoothie carton - 180 calories \$.45

Barnum's Animal Crackers - 120 calories \$.25

**Dinner - 550 total calories**

Chicken chunk chicken breast in pop top can - 80 calories \$.40

Row of Ritz crackers - 200 calories \$.30

100% fruit cup in juice - 90 calories \$.33

Muscle milk carton - 180 calories \$.35

**TOTAL COST: \$10.00**