

Lead Agency: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program

Related Programs: 25139, 25145

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request, Measure 5 Education

Executive Summary

The Child & Family Hunger Relief program is a one-time request for a CGF investment to lessen food insecurity and improve healthy eating by allowing SUN Community School (SUN CS) sites to increase the number of meals served to hungry children and families and developing on-going capacity for food support. The offer will serve an additional 100,000 meals to over 3,500 children and 600 parents/guardians at SUN CS sites and an additional 800 families through a weekend "backpack" food program. The program is a partnership between the SUN Service System, six school districts, Oregon Hunger Relief Task Force and the Commission on Children, Families and Community.

Program Description

Oregon is currently ranked #2 in hunger, yet millions of dollars in available federal food funding for children goes untapped. 50% of children in the County are eligible for Free or Reduced (FRL) price meals through schools and over 70% of SUN CS participants receive FRL. However, these students don't have access to food on non-school days during the school year and in summer only 31% of the students who eat FRL meals during the school year are fed. Parents/guardians of these students also suffer the effects of poverty including hunger, often foregoing regular meals so their children can eat.

The SUN CSs are designed to act as a vehicle for delivering services to children and families in an easily accessible and non-stigmatizing environment. This offer capitalizes on SUN's community-based capacity in four ways: 1) Increasing the # of non-school days that SUN CSs serve a full USDA meal to children; 2) Providing pilot sites where parents access meals; 3) Developing the capacity for weekend "backpack" food programs at 20 SUN sites; and 4) Offering nutrition education and activities at summer food sites to improve healthy eating and physical activity. The offer supports staffing for 10 additional school-year days that 44 SUN CS would be open to feed children, and 4 additional weeks in the summer at 30 SUN CS. During the summer, college interns will deliver nutrition education to support healthy food choices, budgeting and exercise. This offer also includes one-time start-up costs of a weekend family food "backpack" program at 20 SUN CS sites and a .5 FTE Program Development Specialist to coordinate the programs, develop partnerships and secure in-kind resources and supports.

Experts agree that healthy nutrition is vital to brain development and capacity to learn for children and youth in all age groups. Even moderate under-nutrition has lasting impacts on cognitive development and school performance. This offer leverages over \$300,000 in federal meal reimbursement and significant in-kind for weekend food for families.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY08-09)	Current Year Purchased (FY09-10)	Current Year Estimate (FY09-10)	Next Year Offer (FY10-11)
Output	# of meals served to children	0	0	0	100,000
Outcome	% of children and adults who demonstrate increased knowledge of healthy eating	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	90.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Legal/Contractual Obligation**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2010	2010	2011	2011
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$42,043	\$0
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$144,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$0	\$186,043	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$186,043	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00
Program Revenues				
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

\$186,043 - County General Fund Subsidy

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: