



Flagstaff Sustainability Commission,

Flagstaff Community Fridges seeks to amend the budget submitted with the original application from 2023. Attached is the revised budget based on current circumstances. In compliance with the Coconino County Health Department's food safety guidelines, we have chosen a commercial fridge that will best suit our project. Purchasing a new fridge is important to guarantee the sustainability, safety, and efficiency of this project. We have consulted with local growers and the CSA to understand what fridge will work best for this project and decided on the one linked in the budget. In addition to this change, a metal cabinet will need to be purchased to prevent rodents from entering the pantry portion of the structure.

Since the fridge is now in collaboration with the Murdoch Center as a Resiliency Hub, we are able to eliminate the solar, electrical, and composting dollar amounts¹. With this new pool of funding, we seek to pay the artist Chip Thomas an increased dollar amount to not only include his labor, but also the materials he will be using. The choice to change artists comes back to the need for this project to be place based and Chip's artwork will take into account the Southside Community-please reference the work he most recently did in the Southside (attached).

The need for a concrete pad to place the fridge and the structure on has been another unexpected barrier. We currently request to set aside the value of \$1,732.09 for this labor and material requirement, however we are also working with the City to see if we can receive additional funding, given the building is City owned. This, in turn, decreases the dollar amount for labor to build the structure. Additionally, wood and metal for the structure will be purchased at a discounted rate from Flagstaff Community Assistance Teams (CATS) through their new reuse program.

While Flag Fridges has been working at this project for quite some time, we are appreciative of the support from the community and the ability for resources to be pooled together to create what will be a community owned project. We want to thank the Flagstaff City Sustainability Office and the Flagstaff Sustainability Commission for their patience and belief in this.

With Gratitude,
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¹ The Murdoch Center will be placing a community garden next to the community fridge. This garden will include a compost system that the fridge will use. The Resiliency Hub grant also contributed to the install of the electrical outlet needed for the fridge, and the main building will have solar.