

May 1, 2018

City of San Luis
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Mr. De La Hoya;

This year the Yuma Community Food Bank (YCFB) is celebrating 40 years of serving Yuma County with donated food and food through multiple programs, to the San Luis Community. These programs include the distribution of USDA Commodities through The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) all managed by DES, privately donated produce distributions and food support to the San Luis Senior Nutrition Center location. Having multiple monthly visits has been well received by the San Luis residents.

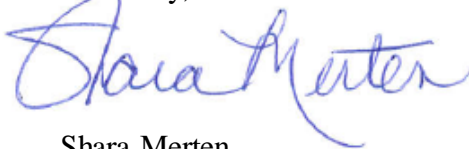
In fiscal year 2016-17 YCFB served 4404 residents in San Luis, this is an increase of 28% over FY16, and in this fiscal year we have served 3710 residents through April and our fiscal year ends in June.

With sustained funding from San Luis, YCFB has looked to enhance our ability to serve the needs of the underserved members in your community. YCFB continues to provide any and all resources available toward procuring food and providing efficient distribution of it. In this current fiscal year, we are adding another program specifically for the Youth Center program this year, as well. I have included the details for this pilot program, with the hopes that the outcome will be well received with the children. This program is designed to have purchased nutritional foods for young children, similar to our Back Pack Program in some of the area schools.

YCFB respectfully requests support in the amount of \$25,000 for fiscal year 2019. YCFB has truly appreciated the support and partnership that the City Council has provided to the Food Bank previously. We look forward to a greater collaboration in our fight against hunger in your community.

If you need any additional information or if I may make a presentation to your council, please feel free to contact me: (928) 259-2203 or smerten@yumafoodbank.org

Gratefully,



Shara Merten
President/CEO

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SAN LUIS YOUTH CENTER

SNACK PACK PROPOSAL

NARRATIVE

During the past months, the Food Bank has been in discussions with Louie Galaviz, Aracely DeLaHoya and Enrique Partida to explore many different options to better serve San Luis. We are so pleased to be able to widen the area to include partnering with the Youth Center and provide a Snack Pack to every child in the program for a twelve-month period.

There are other items that can be added or substituted depending upon the desired outcomes of the City of San Luis Parks and Recreation.

In using our resources to look at food costs, we propose to provide for twelve months, 4,800 snack packs that would contain:

- Macaroni and cheese
- Juice box
- Granola bar
- Fruit cup
- Educational cookies, in English and Spanish

IMPLEMENTATION

If accepted, this project could be launched as early as June or as late as August, depending upon vendor deliveries.

PROJECTED FUNDING REQUEST

\$10,000 to fund the purchase and processing.