



Sample Proposal AGRI Dairy Cooler Grant 2020

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* indicates required item

Applicant Information

House District(s) 2013-2022

Select the House district(s) the organization is located in or provides direct services. In most cases, you will only select one district. Some entities (e.g., service cooperatives, school districts, large farms) may need to select multiple districts).

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Eligibility

Eligibility Option #1*

Applicant is a Minnesota ECE organization serving children and participants in the CACFP, meets the meal requirement, and was eligible for reimbursement in August and/or September 2018.

No

Eligibility Option #2*

Applicant is a public or private school that participates in the NSLP

Yes

Project Overview

Increase MN Dairy*

How will the new milk cooler increase the purchase of MN Dairy products?

We currently have a very old milk cooler at Calf Elementary School that is in poor shape with some rust on the inside and outside. It keeps milk at a safe temperature but our students prefer ice cold milk. By purchasing a new milk cooler for the school we will ensure that the milk is kept cold in an attractive, rust free milk cooler that will function correctly and not need constant repair. Serving milk out of a clean and attractive milk cooler will enhance the student's meal experience assuring them of deliciously ice cold milk.

Describe the type of cooler you plan to purchase. Include the estimated costs and the reasons why you chose this cooler. *

We plan to purchase a Holstein Triple Valve Milk Dispenser that accommodate 5 gallon bags for \$1,800.00. Our analysis of bulk milk dispensing coolers will reduce both our school's container waste as well as wasted milk. Several studies indicate that bulk milk is preferred by students due to colder serving temperatures and fresher taste. Other considerations include:

- *We are interested in trash and liquid milk waste reduction*
- *We can save 10 cents on each 8 oz. serving of bulk milk*
- *We can commit 15 min. food service staff time each day*
- *We can wash student's reusable cups*
- *We can best meet the Federal Child Nutrition Standards with bulk milk*

How will students/youth benefit from the new milk cooler? *

On average 220 students eat lunch and 175 students eat breakfast. Milk is full of calcium, vitamin D, phosphorous and a balance of other nutrients that are proven to build your bones and teeth as well as promote the healthy function of your muscles and blood vessels. Kids like milk ice cold. Kids at a young age are more likely to become lifelong consumers of milk which is good.

Where are you currently sourcing your milk product? *

We currently purchase milk from Barnyard Creamery located in Yogurt MN. This is a farmer-owned coop of local dairy farms who pledge not to use artificial growth hormones. They currently sell bulk milk to restaurants, schools and hospitals.