

S.L Gimbel Foundation Fund  
Grant Evaluation Form  
Holiday Grant  
July 11, 2013

- **Describe the project's key outcomes and results based on your goals and objectives. Provide the number of clients served and other relevant statistics.**

27,765 pounds of fresh cantaloupes were distributed from 14 sites throughout Kern County  
42,020 pounds of fresh watermelons were distributed from 19 sites throughout Kern County  
27,000 pounds of fresh onions will be distributed throughout Kern County.

9,633 individuals and 2,640 households received produce purchased with the funding. The fresh onions are still in inventory to be sent out. This represents a 6 month period 1/1/13-6/30/2013

- **What were the challenges and obstacles you encountered (if any) in attaining your goals & objectives? How did you overcome and/or address the challenges and obstacles. What were the lessons learned?**

One challenge was the limitation of 10% or \$900 for transportation cost. With our partnerships we can find truck loads of produce at free or very low cost but the freight can easily be \$400-800 per load. This limited some of our opportunities to purchase or procure produce because we wanted to stay compliant with the grant. We found that the transportation line item was used within the first 2 orders so we used other sources of funding to complete the transactions.

Another challenge was with some of our distribution sites. Although we are able to bring in the produce to the food bank warehouse not all of our sites have the capacity to properly store and distribute produce. This continues to be a challenge; however, with our recently added Agency Relations position the Food Bank is working with existing sites to increase capacity.

- **Describe any unintended positive outcomes as a result of the efforts supported by this grant**

The CAPK Food Bank continues to strive to be a source of healthy food items for our clients. Many times we find that clients are not able to purchase healthy produce items and additionally they may not know how to prepare them properly.

The CAPK Food Bank has recently partnered with Kern County Public Health's Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention (NEOP) program. With this partnership Human Service Technicians (HST) go out to our distribution sites and teach clients about health eating, provide healthy recipes and other health related information. The grant helped the CAPK Food Bank to provide additional produce and an opportunity for nutrition education.

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- Describe the overall effect this grant has on your organization.

Community Action Partnership of Kern Food Bank did not use any of the funding for administration costs. Barring less than 10% of the funding used for the transportation of the produce, all of the funding went directly to the community. 9,633 individuals and 2,640 households received produce that otherwise would have not have.


By having funding to purchase produce from the growers, we established new relationships. We will now have an opportunity to talk with them about future support and other programs like "Donate, Don't Dump".

- Tell us a few success stories that made an impact on your organization and/or the community as a result of this grant.

I personally attended the food distribution at Friendship House when the watermelons were distributed. This occurred when our community was experiencing a heat wave. That day we served almost 400 households. The common theme of the comments I heard that day were "I haven't had watermelon in I can't tell you how long." "Watermelon cools you down". "It brings back childhood memories". "Watermelon is a treat in this weather" and "This will be a healthy snack for the kids".

**Expenditures**

Line Item	Line Item Description	Requested Amount	ending balance
Food	fresh produce	\$9,100	\$0.00
Transportation	gasoline, oil, freight, etc	\$900.00	\$0.00
Ending Balance		\$10,000.00	\$0.00

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**From:** Ian Anderson <ianderson@CAPK.ORG>  
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Good afternoon Penny,

Attached is a copy of Community Action Partnership of Kern Food Bank's final report. Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thank you very much for this opportunity

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