

Part 2 -- Core Program ▾

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When submitting your application please include your plans for Summer 2024 as they currently stand. We understand that plans at this point are often tentative; changes in plans can be reviewed with California State Library staff throughout the grant period.

Are you planning any significant changes to your Lunch at the Library Core Program plans compared to last year? (i.e. adding or subtracting meal sites, switching from pop-up libraries to become a meal site, or adding a youth development program).

- Yes
- No
- NA (did not participate last year)

If yes, please explain.

Adding three additional pop-up sites.

Farm to Summer

Farm to Summer enrichment programming is now incorporated into the Core Program funding allocation and is an expectation of the Lunch at the Library grant. Examples of possible Farm to Summer enrichment ideas include:

- Farm and/or gardening story time
- Building a garden
- Planting activity with vegetable starts or seeds
- Cooking/nutrition education
- Hosting a local farmer
- Visit to local farms (u-pick, stories at the farm, etc.)
- Environment/sustainability activities i.e. composting

Do you foresee any challenges in providing a Farm to Summer element?

- Yes
- No

Library Meal Sites

Do you plan to serve meals at any of your library sites? *

- Yes
- No

How many of your library locations are planning to serve meals? Include the main library, branches, and/or bookmobiles. *

Site 1 -- Library Site Name

Planned number of days per week that meals will be served at the site:

Site 1

Planned total number of weeks that meals will be served at the site:

Site 1

Is this a new meal site (no days of service in Summer 2023)?

- Yes
- No

Do you need help confirming eligibility or connecting with a USDA meal sponsor for this site?

- Yes
- No

Planned total number of meal service days (auto-calculated):

How many of your planned library meal sites are new this year (no days of service in Summer 2023)? Please note, for first time applicants this number should match the total number of library meal sites.

Enrichment programs are expected to occur alongside meal service at Library meal sites. Examples of enrichment activities include:

- Art-making/crafts
- Books provided to youth and families to build home libraries
- Connecting community members to library summer reading and learning programs and materials
- Early childhood literacy/family literacy (e.g. story time)
- Farm to Summer
- Film/photography
- Mental health and fitness: mindfulness, anxiety management activities, etc.
- Music/theater/dance
- Physical health and fitness: sports / physical activities/games
- S.T.E.M. science/technology/engineering/math
- Video gaming/VR
- Writing/storytelling

Do you foresee any challenges in providing enrichment programming for Library meal sites?

- Yes
- No

Pop-up Libraries at Community Meal Sites

Summer meals happen at various community sites, including local schools, neighborhood parks and community centers. Libraries can help children and teens access healthy food by taking a pop-up library to other community meal sites. (Suggested 3-4 visits per site)

Does your library plan to visit (non-library) community summer meal sites to provide pop-up library enrichment activities? (Community meal site examples: Schools, YMCAs, Parks & Recreation locations, food banks, etc.) *

- Yes

No

Enrichment programs are expected to occur alongside meal service at Library pop-up sites. Examples of enrichment activities include:

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- Books provided to youth and families to build home libraries
- Connecting community members to library summer reading and learning programs and materials
- Early childhood literacy/family literacy (e.g. story time)
- Farm to Summer
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- Writing/storytelling

Do you foresee any challenges in providing enrichment programming for community-based USDA meal sites?

Yes

No

Youth Development

How do you plan to incorporate Youth Development into your Lunch at the Library Core Program plans? (Mark all that apply.)

- Scholarships
- Hiring teens to staff
- Partnering with a youth development agency (that provides teen workers)
- Creating internship opportunities
- Working with teen interns to boost job readiness skills
- Providing teen volunteers with job readiness opportunities
- Other
- I am not planning to include Youth Development as any of these options would present a challenge

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