

Improving Health Care and Outcomes for Residents of Lincoln Parish

Grant Summary

Initiative: Healthier Living

Project Name: Boys & Girls Club Summer Feeding Program

Funding Period: June – August, 2014
Project Coordinator: Eldonta' Osborne

Project Administration: United Way: Boys & Girls Clubs of North Central LA

Total Funding Requested: \$ 15,000.00

Program Summary

The purpose of the grant is to assist the Boys & Girls Club in expanding its summer feeding program to provide meals at 13 sites during the summer. Any child age 0-18 is eligible to receive a meal at any site where meals are served. Meals served are based on a 5-day planning menu, prepared in advance and based on healthy meal choices.

The Summer Feeding Program is partially funded through a reimbursable grant from the State of Louisiana which covers only the cost of the meals and a small administrative allowance. In 2013, with the aid of \$15,000 in funding from the Foundation, the Boys & Girls Club was able to expand its meal services by two weeks and serve an additional 10,743 meals. No fees are charged by the facilities where meals are distributed, and most sites are housed in neighborhoods where children are within walking distance of the feeding site. All food is prepared, cooked, and packaged at the Boys & Girls Club kitchen every morning. A representative from each site comes to the Club and picks up the food to transport back to their facility one hour before serving.

Funding Objectives

Funding by the Foundation for the 2014 summer feeding program will provide for the addition of 40-50 children to the summer feeding program and fund additional costs that are not covered under the program reimbursement criteria. The funds will also provide for the following:

- Additional kitchen equipment (utensils and storage containers to transport food)
- Hire additional cooking / serving staff in Grambling
- Add an additional feeding site in Dubach