

REPORT 2018 October Cycle

GENERAL INFORMATION

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REPORT INFORMATION

Report Funding Cycle: 2018 October Cycle	Report Date: 09/18/2019 12:00 am
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1: Please include in your report the dollar amount of the funds that were awarded, the date they were funded and what the funds supported.

Awarded Amount: 30,000	Date: 10/19/2018
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2: Were the objectives cited in your original proposal met? Please address each started objective and how it was met.

The following objectives established for the original proposal were met.

A large number of children were impacted through The Najim Charitable Foundation funding, which provided greater access to food for food-insecure children throughout San Antonio. A total of 323 children were served in the first quarter of 2019, and 235 children were served in the second quarter.

From the San Antonio Distribution Center, CHF distributed 15,411 Food Paks from October 2018 to October 2019, to children and families in need. During the same timeframe in the city of San Antonio alone, CHF distributed 3,305 Food Paks. Through The Najim Charitable Foundation funding, essential food items were purchased to fill these Food Paks. Each CHF Food Pak cost \$12, on average, to fill.

Through The Najim Charitable Foundation funding, CHF was able to support the work of local churches throughout San Antonio. In 2018, a total of 77 churches were served by the San Antonio Distribution Center, and 15 of these churches were in San Antonio specifically. Currently, each of these churches distribute Food Paks provided by CHF to local families in need on a monthly basis. This Mercy Network is expanding to reach even more children in impoverished areas, and now partners with 78 Mercy Network churches. The San Antonio area experienced growth, with a total of 23 Mercy Network Churches. In the next 3 months, CHF San Antonio plans to add another 14 churches to the regional Mercy Networks, 5 in San Antonio alone.

3: Please explain any changes from the original proposal and the circumstances that lead to the modification of the objective.

Our objectives did not change. The Food Pak program is still the top priority of Children's Hunger Fund.

4: What needs were addressed?

Children's Hunger Fund addressed the needs of food-insecure children throughout San Antonio. The Food Pak program delivers up to 20-pound boxes of nutritious food (i.e. rice, beans, canned fruits and vegetables, pasta, tomato sauce, etc.) to the homes of people in need. These boxes are designed to supplement the nutritional needs of a family of four for about a week, and contain approximately 48 meals each. What makes this program unique is that Food Paks are delivered by volunteers from local churches directly to the homes of the recipients, maintaining their dignity, and developing trusting relationships between caring volunteers and those served. CHF trains these church members to begin spiritual conversations, share the gospel through mercy ministry, and also provides them with resources to reach families in need in their very own community with help and hope. This enables them to be more effective, intentional, and gospel-centered. This relational model of home distribution is extremely effective by mobilizing local community members to compassionately serve the poor, CHF is helping revitalize impoverished communities in San Antonio, such as Lackland, Northside, West, Far West, North West, North Central, Far South, South Central, Far North East. CHF's San Antonio distribution center also serves surrounding areas by supplying Food Paks and training to churches in Del Rio, Houston, Gulf Coast, Coastal Bend, Laredo, Houston, Brownsville, and McAllen, allowing the work of CHF to reach throughout much of South Texas.

5: What method of evaluation did you use to monitor and measure the project's outcome and what are the result?

CHF gathers process and outcome data to measure the success of each project. Tools used to evaluate the Food Pak program are available in Spanish and English and include: 1) Annual evaluations completed by CHF and each participating Mercy Network church (e.g., discussion with ministry leaders to determine ministry effectiveness and ensure the implementation of ministry plans) 2) On-site visits from CHF staff to further evaluate ministry effectiveness (e.g., meetings with pastors to discuss ministry and also accompany partners on Food Pak deliveries) 3) Monthly Statistical Reports required from each partner to track specific details on Food Pak recipients (e.g., family size, number of children, two parent or single parent homes) as well as general details about the Food Pak Program (e.g. number of families, individuals, children served; number of families served for the first time to track unduplicated recipients); 4) Food Pak shipping receipts required to document the number of Food Paks received by each partner; 5) Mercy Network Training rosters used to record the church leaders who have been trained by CHF; 6) Partner tracking logs maintained by CHF Regional Directors.

6: Do you plan to continue this project, and if so, how do you plan to sustain it?

CHF maximizes community partnerships to serve the poor, receives generous financial and in-kind product donations, and heavily utilizes volunteers to maintain small administrative costs. CHF builds partnerships with three entities: 1) Mercy Network churches, located in low-income, food insecure areas who deliver Food Paks to those in need in their communities (e.g., Covenant Life Fellowship, Iglesia Bautista Los Angeles Heights, Iglesia Centro Cristiano, Cristo de Poder, Primera Iglesia Bautista de Clute), 2) Resource Churches, typically located in middle class or affluent areas that contribute filled Food Paks or give monetary gifts to support local Mercy Networks (e.g. Oak Hills Church, Community Bible Church, The U, Gateway Church, The Park, Christ Fellowship, Concordia Lutheran, Wayside Chapel, Grace Community Church, Summit Christian Center), and 3) individuals, corporations, and community groups (e.g., Feed My Starving Children, la Madeleine Country French Caf?, Legacy Mutual Mortgage, etc.) who provide in-kind donations, cash, and volunteer contributions. In 2018, CHF received over \$42 million worth of in-kind donations, and over \$5 million came in through the San Antonio distribution center alone. Much of this product was used to support the Food Pak program. This fiscal year, CHF anticipates receiving \$45 million worth of in-kind food donations as an organization from various donors, which offsets the cost of Food Paks distributed worldwide, including San Antonio residents.

7: Please provide any other comments of information relevant to this grant.

CHF is extremely grateful for the many families who received help and hope through the generosity of The Najim Family Foundation. Below is a story from one of these families:

Armando and Rosa Gomez have three daughters, Sara (15), Melanie (14), and Isabella (9). Their family had been struggling since Armando lost his job and had been out of work. As bills piled up, they suffered another devastating blow: they were evicted from their home. It was becoming increasingly difficult for Rosa and Armando to care for their girls.

As Rosa walked the girls to school each day, she would pass by a church, Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana (First Mexican Baptist Church). One day, she noticed a sign outside the church for CHF's Food Pak ministry. Rosa was intrigued, and in desperate need of help, so she went inside to ask about it. The church welcomed her in and happily began delivering Food Paks to her home.

Since they began receiving Food Paks, Rosa and her daughters started attending church. Rosa also began receiving counseling from the pastor's wife. She is working to do all that she can to support her family, including selling cheesecakes to make extra money. She is able to find joy and hope amid her family's trials, which has allowed her family to have hope as well.

8: Please provide an updated detailed projected budget with expenses for the received grant. Also include the totals for the budgeted and actual amount. Explain any discrepancies between the budgeted and the actual expenses for the project.

Line Item Description	Total Project Funds Allocation	Najim Requested Funds	Project Funds Actual	Najim Funds Allocation
Food Pak Purchases (e.g., canned vegetables)	\$78,000	\$30,000	\$86,943	\$30,000
Freight Donated/Purchased Food	\$52,000	\$0	\$58,644	\$0
Warehouse Personnel	\$44,064	\$0	\$44,064	\$0
Program Training/Monitoring Personnel	\$102,222	\$0	\$102,222	\$0
TOTAL:	\$276,286	\$30,000	\$291,873	\$30,000

Signature

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