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Honorable Nury Martinez, Chairperson  
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**AD HOC COVID-19 RECOVERY AND NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENT COMMITTEE -  
CF#20-0862 SENIOR MEALS PROGRAMS – REPORT BACK**

As instructed by the Ad Hoc Covid-19 Recovery And Neighborhood Investment Committee for CF No. 20-0862 at the October 21, 2020, meeting, the Los Angeles Department of Aging (LADOA) is submitting the additional information as requested.

The Committee requested more information on the cost to implement an alternative program model that would provide new eligible senior participants with food boxes of groceries instead of meals. Unfortunately, in speaking about a potential partnership with the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank the department was informed that they were at capacity and will not be able to expand further at the time. We will continue to explore opportunities to increase food access to older adults.

LADOA has identified grant funds to provide grocery delivery for older adults who cannot afford the extra fees associated with deliveries. We have also established a partnership with LA County to assist with grocery deliveries as needed.

Sincerely,

LAURA TREJO, MPA, MSG  
General Manager

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cc: City Administrative Officer  
Chief Legislative Analyst



**Attachment**

Adjusting the numbers to reflect the recent FEMA extension to October 9th, the revised cost is \$37,265,768 for the 12 weeks from Oct 10-Dec 31.

Breakdown below:

Number of clients as of August 24, 2020: 21,704

Meal costs per meal: \$13

Delivery cost per meal box of 5 meals (\$6/\$9) \$6

Weekly costs per senior: \$142 =  $((\$13/\text{meal} \times 10) + (\$6/\text{delivery} \times 2))$

Weekly cost - total \$3,081,968

Number of weeks from Oct 10th to Dec 31. 12

(Actually 12 weeks and 1 day)

Total Cost to continue GP from Oct 10-Dec 30: \$37,265,768

Cost for Dec. 31 w/o delivery charge if boxed as 6 instead of 5 meals \$282,152

Total Cost to continue GP from Oct 10-Dec 31 is \$37,265,768