



Farmer's Fridge Sales Report

**Sustainability Program Manager
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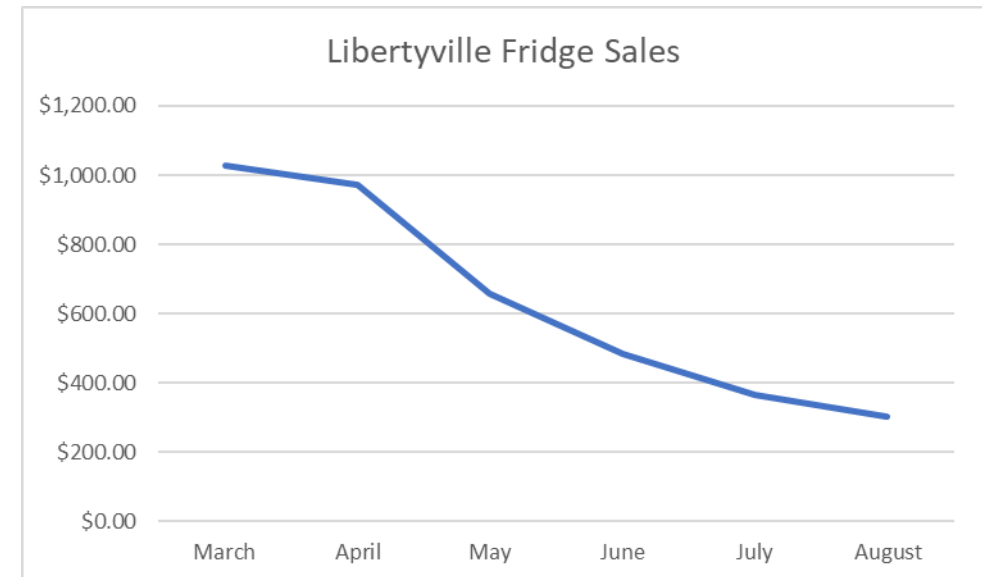
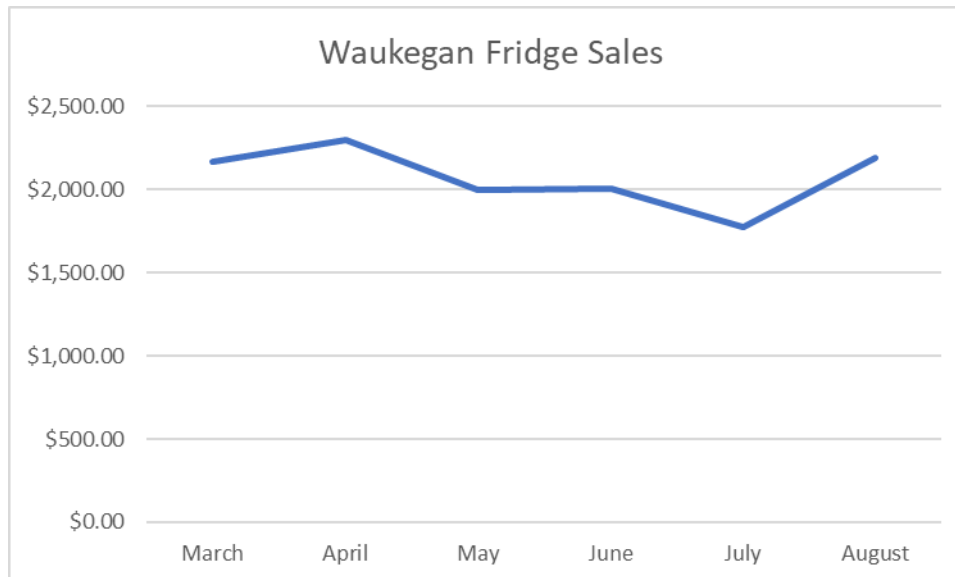
Farmer's Fridge

- Romaine Empire, Inc., “Farmer’s Fridge” has hosted two self-service food fridges at Lake County facilities for the past 6 months
- Staff have evaluated the estimated amount of subsidy required to maintain the equipment on an ongoing basis



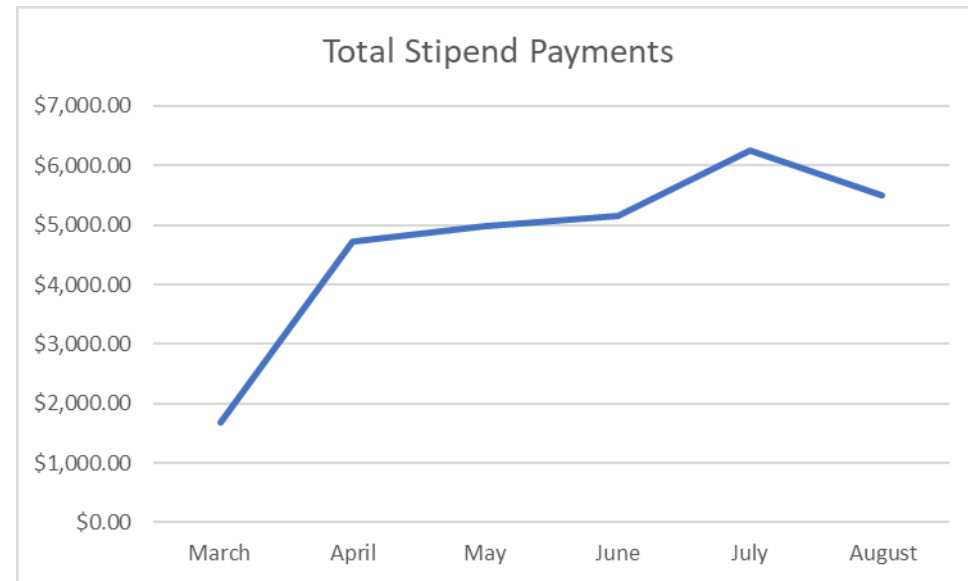
Sales Totals

- **Waukegan Fridge**
 - Somewhat steady sales
- **Libertyville Fridge**
 - Sales have decreased each month



Stipend Totals

- Each fridge is required to reach \$4000/month in sales to avoid paying a stipend
- No month has reached the \$8000 total to avoid paying the stipend
- As sales at Libertyville have decreased, required stipend payments have increased



Recommendation and Discussion

- If Lake County were to remove one of the fridges in operation the monthly subsidy would drop to \$4000/month
- There is no limitation for the Waukegan Fridge being outside of Farmer's Fridge service area
 - Remove the Libertyville Fridge based on sales record
 - Continue operations with the Waukegan Fridge
 - Seek out additional siting options for Waukegan Fridge to increase sales



Questions