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FY2018 One-Time Request

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FY2018 One-Time Request Summary

Cultural Taste of Houston
 Total

\$36,206.10

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The Cultural Taste of Houston hosts a variety of restaurants from around the city of Houston to provide students a sample from their menu. Students can purchase a ticket for \$1 which will buy one sample from a restaurant of their choice. Each ticket purchase will get a student a free t-shirt as well. Once in, students will have access to visit as many restaurants they want and enjoy music being played by bands representing cultures from around the world. In addition, students will access a variety of pop-up shops providing items representing a host of cultures of which students can purchase. The anticipated amount from the sales of tickets is \$6,000.00 with an **attendance figure of 1200 students** purchasing at least 5 tickets each.

The Cultural Taste of Houston will include:

- 20 restaurants representing various cultures and regions such as:
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- Variety of musical performances such as:
 - Mariachi Band (representing Mexico), Steel Band (representing America), and musicians singing songs featured from around the world
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Tents for vendors	\$9,717.00
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Music vendors	\$2,325.00
Tickets printing cost	\$503.60
6% Administration Fee	\$2,532.37
Total Expenses	\$42,206.10
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FY2019 Base Augmentation Request

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