

# **Environmental Health Services 2025 Food Facility Fee Adjustments**

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# Fee Analysis and Methodology

- Activity-based cost analysis performed by Wohlford Consulting
- Analysis to determine the cost of providing fee-for-service activities is comprised of two basic elements:
  - Staff time spent to provide the service
  - Hourly rate of staff providing the service
- The product of staff time and the hourly rate yields the cost of providing the service.

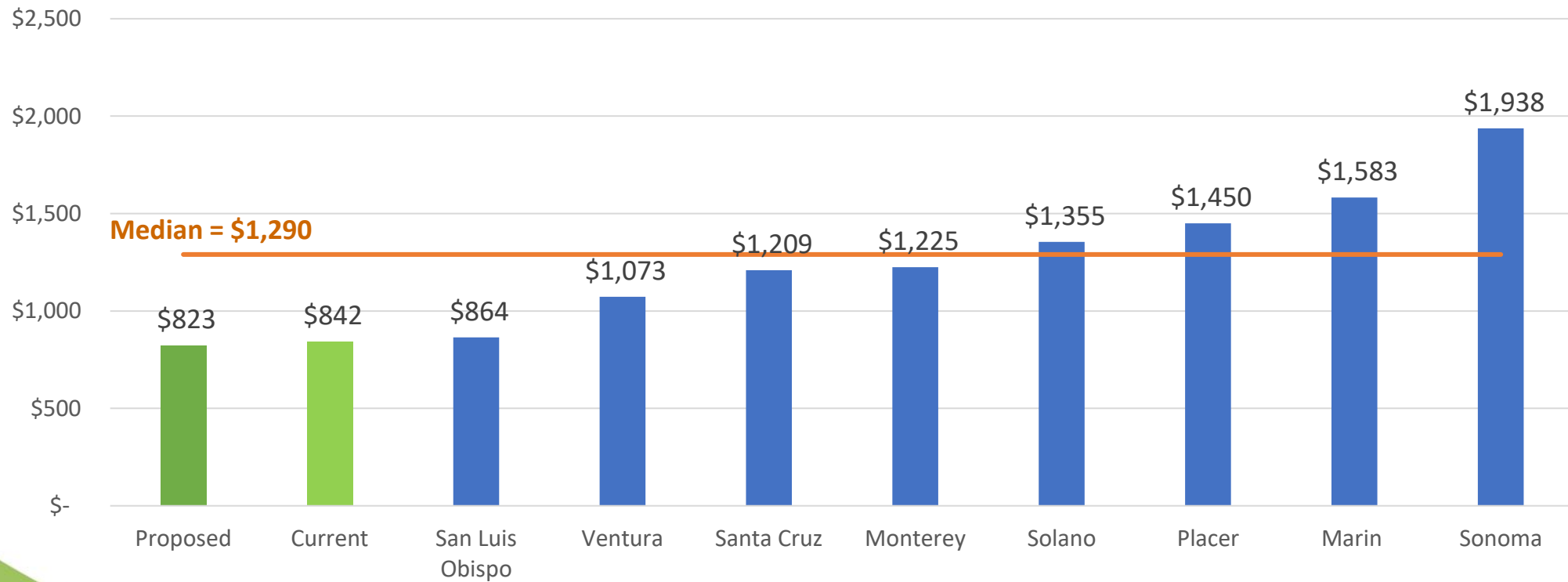
# Fee Proposal Summary

Total Number of Fees	36
# Increased	20
# Decreased	12
# Unchanged	1
New Fees Added	3
Current Fees Deleted/Restructured	2
Application Fees	Decreased from \$255 to \$145
Hourly Fees	Increased from \$161 to \$214 per hour

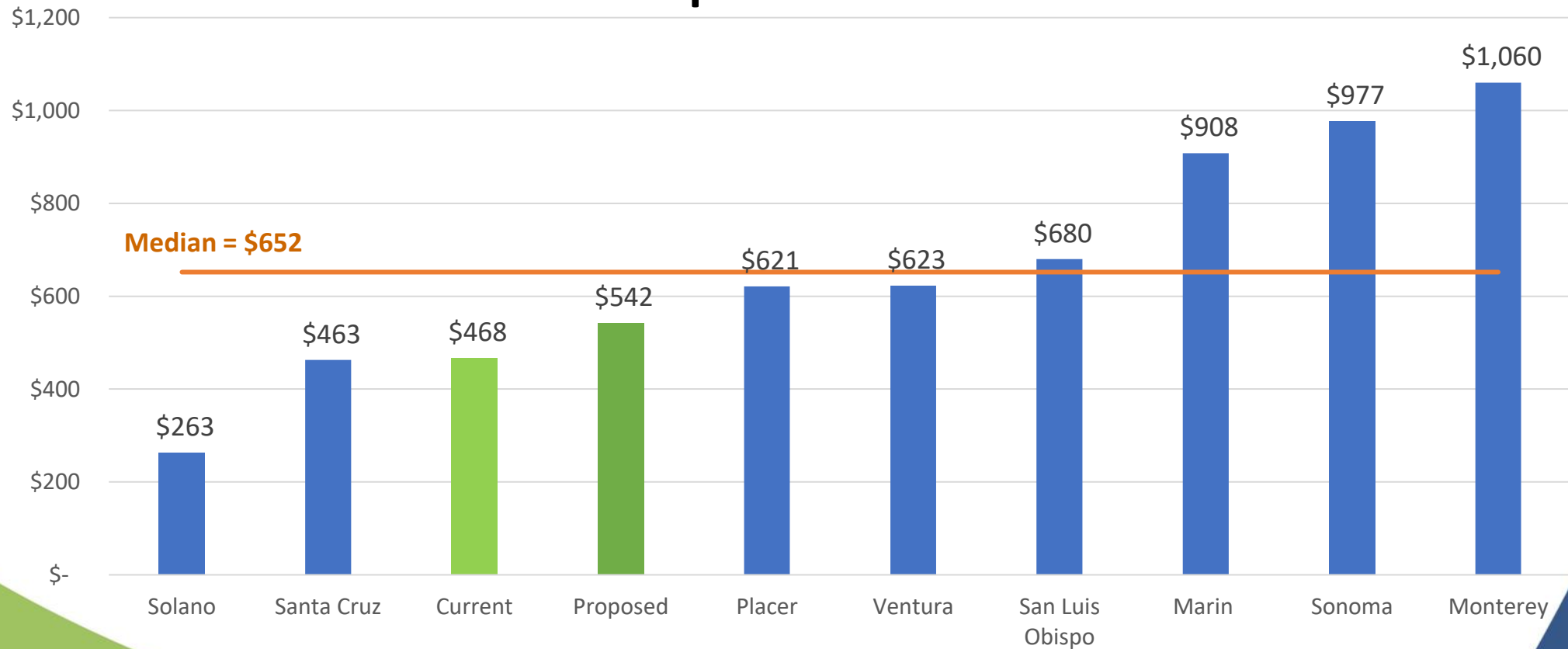
## Fee Proposal Sample

Fee Title	Current Fee	Full Cost per Unit	Surplus / (Subsidy) per Unit	Full Cost Recovery Rate
Food Annual Health Permit: 1501-3000 sf	\$ 842	\$ 823	\$ 19	102%
Mobile Food Facility (Truck): Food Prepared in the Vehicle	\$ 468	\$ 542	\$ (74)	86%
Cottage Food A	\$ 0	\$ 86	\$ (86)	0%
Cottage Food B	\$ 354	\$ 342	\$ 12	104%
School Dining Facilities	\$ 585	\$ 806	\$ (221)	73%
Satellite Dining Facility	\$ 410	\$ 253	\$ 157	162%
Certified Farmers Mkt PHF 2-10	\$ 535	\$ 682	\$ (147)	78%
TFF Booth One-Time Event	\$ 196	\$ 342	\$ (146)	57%

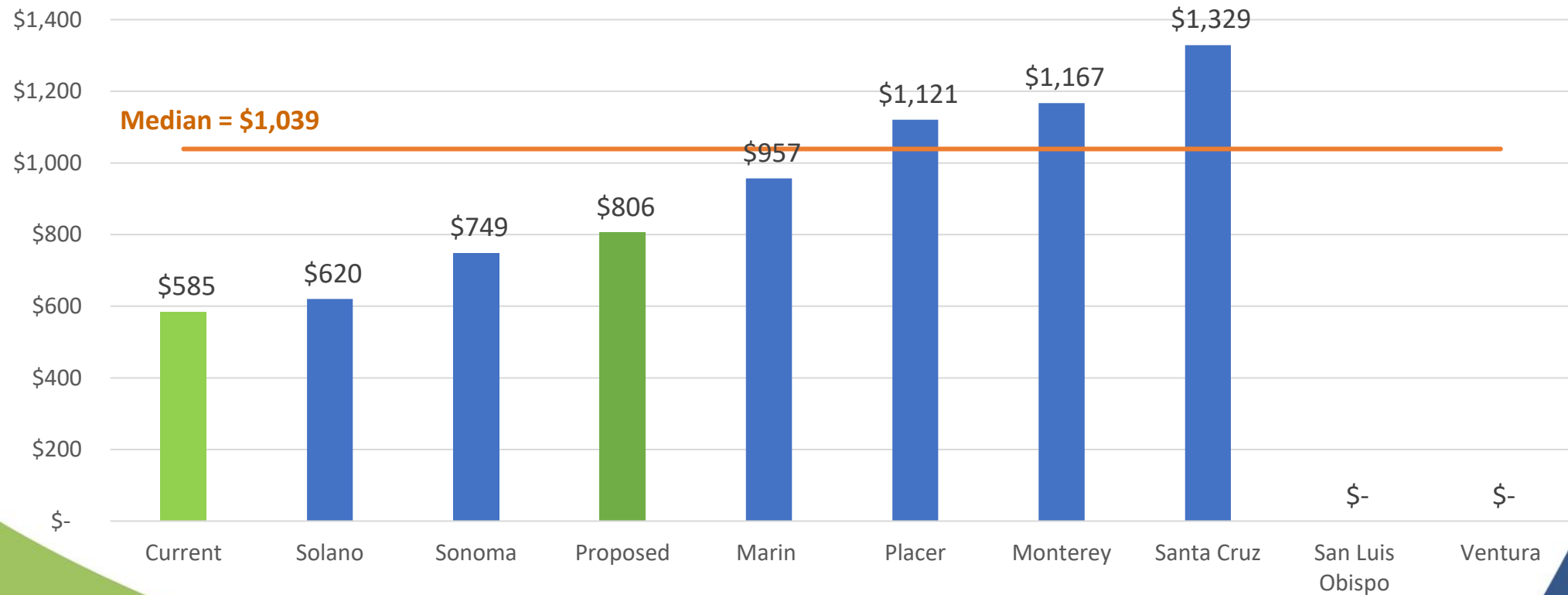
# Food Annual Health Permit: 1501-3000 sf



# Mobile Food Facility (Truck) Food Prepared in Vehicle



# School Dining Facilities



# Stakeholder Outreach

- Mass email to regulated facilities/operators and industry contacts
  - ~3,000 email addresses
- Posting on EHS' Public Notices and Announcements webpage
- Seven (7) public outreach meetings



# Recommendations

- Adopt Resolutions Amending Fees For Retail Food Facilities
- Approve, ratify, and authorize the Director of County Health, or designee, to extend the term and make certifications for the grant funding allocation award of \$44,548.47 in Assembly Bill (AB) 178 Local Government Microenterprise Home Kitchen Operation Assistance Program funding through the California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health for the period of May 31, 2025 through November 30, 2025 with no change to the total grant amount; and
- Determine that the recommended actions are not a “Project” within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and are exempt pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378(b)(4), since the recommended actions are the creation of governmental funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption on that basis.

# Questions?

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Environmental Health Services

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