# Budgeting, Materials, & Resources

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# Budgets - Why do I need to do this?

- Sets priorities what MUST be done with available funds
- Find gaps between current funding and anticipated expenditures
- Helps you apply for additional funding
  - Blum, Jastro, etc.
- Major costs underestimated or omitted = incomplete budget
  - Better to overestimate costs
- Sets your obligation to host what you CAN do given time and funding



## How do I make a complete budget?

- Go through each step of your work plan/Gantt chart
- Estimate costs: Labor, materials, cost of living, transportation
- Think about in-kind costs (labor, office space, etc.)
- Overestimate unknown costs
  - Unforeseen expenses will occur- Motorbike repair, medical care, extortion
- Contact organization for cost information
- Ask past fellows working in the country



## Cost of Living

- Housing
  - Organization & PI
  - Airbnb.com
  - Hotels.com
- Food
  - Numbeo.com
  - Expatistan.com
  - Eating out vs. Cooking
- Personal Care Products

| Markets   | [Edit]  |           |
|---|---------|-----------|
| Milk (regular), (1 gallon)                          | 7.51 \$ | 5.68 9.46 |
| Loaf of Fresh White Bread (1 lb)                    | 1.11 \$ | 0.73 1.36 |
| Rice (white), (1 lb)                                | 0.37 \$ | 0.27 0.68 |
| Eggs (regular) (12)                                 | 1.58 \$ | 1.25 2.00 |
| Local Cheese (1 lb)                                 | 6.05 \$ | 4.54 9.07 |
| Chicken Breasts (Boneless, Skinless), (1 lb)        | 1.86 \$ | 1.13 2.72 |
| Beef Round (1 lb) (or Equivalent Back Leg Red Meat) | 4.18 \$ | 2.27 5.90 |
| Apples (1 lb)                                       | 1.40 \$ | 0.91      |
| Banana (1 lb)                                       | 0.50 \$ | 0.23 0.91 |
| Oranges (1 lb)                                      | 1.30 \$ | 0.91 1.81 |
| Tomato (1 lb)                                       | 0.47 \$ | 0.34 0.79 |

|           | Personal Care   | [Edit]        |
|-----------|---|---------------|
| $\otimes$ | Cold medicine for 6 days (Tylenol, Frenadol, Coldrex, or equivalent brands) | 9,239 Riels   |
|           | 1 box of antibiotics (12 doses)   | 23,641 Riels  |
| 4         | Short visit to private Doctor (15 minutes)                                  | 169,000 Riels |
|           | 1 box of 32 tampons (Tampax, OB,)   | 14,788 Riels  |
| 0         | Deodorant, roll-on (50ml ~ 1.5 oz.)   | 13,217 Riels  |
|           | Hair shampoo 2-in-1 (400 ml ~ 12 oz.)                                       | 14,541 Riels  |

#### Labor

- Talk to Organization or PI about appropriate pay ranges
- Translation
  - Local staff
  - Undergraduates
- Transcription
  - Local staff
  - Online Transcription Services
- Lab tests
- Field assistants



### **Transportation**

- International
  - Kayak.com
  - Google Flight Matrix
- Regional (vans, buses)
- To-from fieldwork
- To-from office (taxis, uber, tuk-tuk, motorbike rental, etc.)
- Drivers





# Equipment

- Video/audio Recorders
- Laptop, tablet
- Test materials
- Printing costs
- Research materials (posters, tape, etc.)
- Cell phones & SIM card





#### Incidentals

- Interviewee payments
  - Local staff
  - Gifts or cash (comparable to opportunity cost)
- Extra travel
  - Conferences
  - Workshops
- Payment for assistance



#### **Materials**

What are you bringing with you?

- Will you run out of it?
- Is it extremely valuable to you?

What do you need to purchase beforehand?

- Does your host organization have this already?
- Do friends/past fellows have this?

What do you need to purchase there?

- •Is it available?
- •If not, can it be sent to you?
- •How much does it cost?



#### Common Items

- Technology: computers/laptop, recorders, tablet, chargers, adapters, camera
- Office supplies: Notebooks, pens, clipboards, printing access, receipt book
- Communication: cell phone, SIM card, WhatsApp, Roaming
  - Owning vs. payment plans for your phone
- - Visa lengths

| Expenses                  |   | Estimated Cost (USD) | Quantity | Cost (USD) | Funding<br>Source |
|---------------------------|---|----------------------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| Travel and transportation | Roundtrip airfare from San Francisco, US to Hanoi,<br>Vietnam | 2000                 |          | 2000       | RIFA              |
|                           | Train - Hanoi to Dong Hoi (2)                                 | included in 2000     |          |            |                   |
|                           | Motorbike/bus from Hanoi lodging to CIAT headquarters         | included in 2000     |          |            |                   |
|                           | Motorbike/bus from Dong Hoi to field sites                    | included in 2000     |          |            |                   |
| Subsistence               | Meals and lodging for 3 months                                | 1000                 | 3        | 3000       | RIFA              |
| Supplies                  | Sony digital recorder   | 100                  | 1        | 100        | JASTRO            |
|                           | Health insurance (UC SHIP)                                    | 0                    |          | 0          |                   |
|                           | Cell phone and SIM card                                       | 30                   | 1        | 30         | JASTRO            |
|                           | Three month multiple-entry business visa                      | 160                  | 1        | 160        | JASTRO            |
|                           | Nvivo Qualitative Data Software (Student 1 year license)      | 75                   | 1        | 75         | JASTRO            |
|                           | Printed materials - consent forms, interview templates, etc.  | 100                  | 1        | 100        | CIAT              |
|                           | Office space - Hanoi  |                      |          |            | CIAT              |



| Item  | Justification  | Unit Cost (USD) | Quantity | Estimated Cost (USD) |
|---|--|-----------------|----------|----------------------|
| Roundtrip Airfare Ticket to Bogota, Columbia  | Travel required for proposed work with<br>Columbian farmers  | 800.00          | 1        | 800.00               |
| Fuel for Transportation to Interview Farmers from<br>Local Experiment Station (assumes 50 km average<br>trip distance, ~ \$1 per liter of fuel, and ~ 20 miles<br>per gallon (8.5 km per liter) | Travel to individual farmer's fields in order<br>to conduct research and extension<br>activities to fully involve them as a major<br>stakeholder | 6.00            | 50       | 300.00               |
| Printed Materials for Farmer data collection (assumes ~ \$1 per farmer)   | Data sheets and materials needed to record fuel costs, fuel use, and rice prices   | 1.00            | 50       | 50.00                |
| Transporation to and from Local Experiment Station and to and from CIAT headquarters  | Travel between main rice growing regions, CIAT headquarters, and airport   | 40.00           | 3        | 120.00               |
| Lodging in Bogota, Columbia (arrival and departure)   | Brief stay in capital to make arrangements after arrival and before departure  | 40.00           | 4        | 160.00               |
| Lodging in Cali, Columbia (while working with CIAT)   | Two-week stay in Cali to work with collaborators at CIAT headquarters  | 30.00           | 14       | 420.00               |
|   |  | Blum Center     | Total    | 1850.00              |
| Graduate Student (Principal Researcher) Monthly<br>Stipend  | Maintenance costs for meals / incidentals and financial obligations in the U.S.  | 1000.00         | 6        | 6000.00              |
| Travel and Transportation Costs   | Airfare and domestic travel in order to<br>conduct agronomic and environmental<br>field experiments on AWD                                       | 2000.00         | 1        | 2000.00              |
|   |  | RIFA            | Total    | 8000.00              |
| Research Equipment and Supplies   | Seeds, fertilizer, flux chambers, glass vials, gas chromatograph, etc.   | 1000.00         | 1        | 1000.00              |
| Lodging at Experimental Station in Tolima, Saldana  | Lodging during field experiment duration   | 10.00           | 160      | 1600.00              |
|   |  | CIAT In-Kind    | Total    | 2600.00              |

| Item   | <b>Total Cost</b> | RIFA    | Blum    | Jastro |
|--|-------------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Health Insurance                             | 253.8             | 253.8   |         |        |
| Health Services                              |                   | 305.25  |         |        |
| Room and Board                               |                   |         |         |        |
| Food   | 1685              | 574.41  | 1230.59 |        |
| Housing                                      | 1263.64           | 415.67  | 888.97  |        |
| Laundry                                      | 5                 | 5       |         |        |
| Travel to/from Airport                       |                   |         |         |        |
| Davis to SFO                                 | 42.87             | 42.87   |         |        |
| New York to Philly                           | 39                | 39      |         |        |
| Flights                                      |                   |         |         |        |
| SFO to PP                                    | 447.1             |         | 447.1   |        |
| BKK to Philly                                | 710               | 710     |         |        |
| Philly to Sacramento                         | 198.3             | 198.3   |         |        |
| Translator                                   |                   |         |         |        |
| Translator in Kandal                         | 125               |         | 125     |        |
| Translator in Battambang                     | 500               | 500     |         |        |
| Document Translation                         | 60                | 28.91   | 21.09   |        |
| In-Country Travel                            |                   |         |         |        |
| Bus to Vietnam                               | 12.89             | 12.89   |         |        |
| Bus Kampot-PP                                | 11                |         |         | 11     |
| Airport-PP                                   | 20                |         | 20      |        |
| Mr. Tou- Transportation to RUA               | 295.5             |         | 295.5   |        |
| Phenom Penh to Kandal                        | 200               |         | 200     |        |
| Bus PP to Battambang                         | 12                | 12      |         |        |
| Motorbike                                    | 210               | 210     |         |        |
| BB to Tasey and Anlongrun                    | 471               | 471     |         |        |
| Battambang to Phenom Penh                    | 10                | 10      |         |        |
| PP to Takeo                                  | 50                | 50      |         |        |
| Visa   |                   |         |         |        |
| Visa Applications                            | 111               |         | 111     |        |
| Headshots for Visas                          | 28.09             | 28.09   |         |        |
| Supplies                                     |                   |         |         |        |
| Supplies from IBC                            | 15.75             |         | 15.75   |        |
| Voice Recorder                               | 34.77             |         |         | 34.77  |
| Adapters                                     | 16.98             |         |         | 16.98  |
| External Hard drive                          | 54.99             |         |         | 54.99  |
| Phrasebook                                   | 7.87              |         |         | 7.87   |
| Printing Supplies Vann Sophea Printing House | 140               |         | 140     |        |
| Gifts for Farmers                            | 130               | 130     |         |        |
| Printing in Battambang                       | 5                 |         | 5       |        |
| Camera and Equipment                         | 100               |         |         | 100    |
| Total  | 7250.8            | 3997.19 | 3500    | 225.61 |



## **Budgeting Tips**

- Start with Fixed Costs
  - Health Insurance
  - Airfare
  - Necessary equipment and materials
- Assess Available Funds
- Add Expenses to Budget Regularly
- Keep Track of Receipts
  - Buy Receipt Book
- Treat. Yo. Self.



