

Hello Vineyard!

It's been a busy month for us on the Project Team! Check out below for what's been happening in each area of the Project:

**BUILDING:**

The new cost estimate we needed, which includes subcontractor bids, finally came in! Unfortunately it was a little higher than we anticipated. The good news is that as we've been working through the details, we think it will be possible to lower the project cost back to \$1.2M. As part of that, we're going through one more round of design changes, including shaving off a bit of square footage from the addition without changing the overall layout. Once our professionals have completed those changes, we'll be ready to get the approvals and permits needed to begin construction!

We're also evaluating which, if any, parts of the project we might want to do ourselves as a church family. Up to this point it has been hard to say what volunteers would be able to do, but we're getting a much better sense for that now with the help of our general contractor. More on that to come! We also wanted to let you know that through the work done by our civil engineer and our general contractor, we have also discovered it would not be wise to significantly expand our parking lot at this time. We will still do some much-needed work on the existing lot and should be able to add a few spaces in the process. We'll revisit the parking lot situation after the addition is complete.

**PARTNERSHIP:**

Over the last several months, the Partnership Team has continued to evaluate our various partnerships. While we have not disbursed any project funds yet, we are seeking God for wisdom on how and when to distribute our support to each partnership.



In the mean time, our ongoing support of these organizations has not stopped! For instance, at CAC just in the last several months our church has financially supported several activities, including a Mother's Day Banquet, "Ball & BBQ," (a Father's Day event), a Field Trip to Mississippi, Easter Week Activities and their Read, Right and Run Program. For more information on how else we support CAC or to get more involved, email Susan Tarr at [susantarr@gmail.com](mailto:susantarr@gmail.com).



## RESPONSE:

The responses continue to come in – we have 51 families who have responded so far. Our goal continues to be for each person in our church to have an authentic conversation with God about the response He wants each of us to have. We know that many of you are still processing through your response – know that you can still respond any time here: [www.stlvineyard.org/expansion/respond](http://www.stlvineyard.org/expansion/respond). If you'd like to talk to a pastor as you are processing your response, don't hesitate to contact David or one of the Leadership Community Pastors, listed below.

### July 2017 Update:

Total Responses:	51
Prayer Commitments:	48
Partnership Interest:	11
Total Fund + Commitments:	\$672,325

### Leadership Community Pastors:

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Thanks!

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