

Helmet Description/ Justification

The helmet recommended for purchase for the proposal "Funding for Challenge Program Helmets" is the Black Diamond Half Dome Helmet. Each helmet will cost \$35.97.

The Half Dome is a hybrid helmet with an internal shell of molded EPS foam and a rigid external shell. The helmet comes in two sizes, S/M and M/L. In order to ensure the best fit possible for Challenge Program participants and facilitators, the proposal recommends the purchase of an even share of S/M and M/L helmets. Black Diamond makes five color options for the helmet, and, for the participant helmets, the S/M and M/L helmets will be distinguished by color for easy fitting. All of the facilitator helmets will be Orange to ensure visibility and differentiation from participant helmets.

Black Diamond is the chosen vendor due to the fact that the Outdoor Center has a pre-existing wholesale account with them. Other comparable helmets on the market would cost the Outdoor Center anywhere between \$40 and \$70 per helmet. The Black Diamond Half Dome is an industry-accepted helmet for comfort and safety. Because of the helmet's satisfactory safety and durability and the savings in cost, the Black Diamond Half Dome Helmet is the best choice for this purchase.



BLACK DIAMOND HALF DOME HELMET - \$35.97