



Summer Meals Support Fund 2020 Grant Guidelines

Since 2009, Partners For a Hunger-Free Oregon has provided small grants of up to new or expanding Summer Food Service Programs (SFSP) in Oregon through the Summer Meals Support Fund. Grant funds support new and existing programs with equipment purchases, staffing, transportation costs, and activity, and outreach supplies. Grants are awarded up to \$5,000 per program.

In the 2020 grant cycle, Hunger-Free Oregon will be prioritizing applicants who prioritize equity and inclusion for underserved communities, with priority considerations for programs seeking to maximize engagement and support to marginalized groups (such as communities of color, immigrant communities, homeless youth, LGBTQIA+ communities, etc).

In addition to financial support, we strive to work one-on-one with grant recipients to promote best practices, raise awareness, and provide technical assistance and/or support throughout the state. For questions, please contact Fatima Jawaid, Senior Program Manager, at 503-595-5501x307 or fatima@oregonhunger.org.

Applications are open Monday, March 2nd through Friday, April 17th, 2020

Please submit completed applications to SMSFgrants@oregonhunger.org

GRANT OBJECTIVES

1. Help bring summer meal programs to communities that need them.
2. Increase the number of summer meal sites and the number of meals served in Oregon.

We encourage applications from the following:

- New SFSP sponsors and sites
- Programs offered by community based or culturally specific organizations; and/or sponsors/sites that provide targeted inclusion and outreach to marginalized communities (communities of color, immigrant communities, homeless youth, LGBTQ+, etc)
- Programs located in rural or high poverty areas; and/ or catered towards middle and high school students

GRANT DETAILS

Who is eligible to apply?

Sites or sponsors of the USDA Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) or Seamless Summer Option (SSO), or applicants who plan to apply to be a SFSP or SSO site or sponsor. **If a new SFSP or SSO site or sponsor, grant funds will be dependent on successful completion of the application process with the Oregon Department of Education.** Youth activity and enrichment partners or family service organizations that partner with SFSPs can apply, but should submit a collaborative application with their sites or sponsors.

What expenses are allowable?

Grants are awarded up to \$5,000 per program. If you are also applying for funding through the Oregon Department of Education's Start-up and Expansion Grant (ODE SUE), please request funding with this in mind (funding requested for new/additional or ODE SUE supporting costs). Funds can be expended

on any direct or indirect program costs, including: food service equipment; site environment equipment such as seating or shelter supplies; transportation; staffing; outreach activities*; activity supplies; and health inspection costs. **Food costs for meals are not allowable costs.**

Outreach costs and materials are allowable under this grant, however, we encourage all applicants to contact ODE CNP and Hunger-Free Oregon for free printed outreach materials.

How will grantees be selected?

Successful applications will show a clear plan to expand access to summer meal programs for children in Oregon; with priority considerations for programs seeking to maximize engagement and support to marginalized groups (such as communities of color, immigrant communities, LGBTQ+ etc). See application for more detail.

GRANTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The grantee organization agrees to the following:

- Expend all grant funding by the end of the 2020 summer meal cycle
- Participate in at least one mid-summer check-in about your programs through email, phone interview, or a site visit with a Hunger-Free Oregon staff member during the summer you receive an award.
- Provide at least one photo from your summer program, and secure a signed photo-release form if children are included in the photo.
- Complete an evaluation report at the end of the grant period describing how funds were used, outlines programs successes and challenges, and provides 2020 participation data.