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2020 FFA STATE DAY OF SERVICE: CHAPTER MINI-GRANTS

in partnership with Missouri Farmers Care Drive to Feed Kids

Living to Serve

Due to the unprecedented times in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic, Missouri FFA in partnership with Missouri Farmers Care Drive to Feed Kids is offering chapters an opportunity to take part in a \$300 matching mini-grant.

The goal of the Chapter Mini-Grants is to provide FFA chapters a Living to Serve opportunity to address food insecurity needs or awareness. This is a one-time only opportunity.

Funded FFA Chapter Requirements/Details:

While we wish we were together packing meals for the food banks use and enjoying each other's company – this pivot will allow approximately 70 FFA chapters to provide efforts related to food insecurity at the local level.

Outlined below are the expectations for chapters who may take part of this \$300 matching mini-grant opportunity.



FOOD

Apply for Mini-Grant AUGUST 5, 2020 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

This is not a competitive proposal process. Proposals will be reviewed and funded based upon individual merit and adherence with program guidelines. Proposals will stop being accepted and reviewed should funds be depleted prior to September 30, 2020.

- The grant will be a \$300 matching mini-grant. The "MATCH" can be in-kind or dollars.
- To receive the application, email Keith Deitzchold at keith.dietzschold@dese.mo.gov.
- Submit the one-page mini-grant application to provide an overview of the service project that addresses a need related to food insecurity.
- Applications can be submitted by emailing them to moffa@dese.mo.gov.
 Email subject line: FFA/MFC Mini-Grant Application.



Food Insecurity Service Activity

BE COMPLETED IN 2020 CALENDAR YEAR

The service project must take place in the 2020 calendar year and the required impact reports are due December 1, 2020.

- Adhere to safety procedures and state guidelines in relation to health protocols and the pandemic.
- Work to use the <u>Strengthening Food</u> <u>Insecurity through Experiential</u> <u>Learning</u> to make an impactful experience.
- Resources such as food bank contacts and template promotional materials will be located at www.mofarmerscare.com/driveffa.



FOOD INSECURITY SERVICE IDEAS

Proposals must address food insecurity efforts – could be but not limited to:

- Packing event
- Backpack programs
- Hunger awareness efforts
- Education about food insecurity in your community
- Food drop off boxes (sometimes called blessing boxes)

- Organize/participate or start a farmer to family food box program
- Hold a collection contest between grades at your school
- Ask <u>your local food pantry</u> how you can help

See how food insecurity affects your Missouri county

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Visit Map the Meal Gap at <u>https://map.feedingamerica.org/.</u>



Submit Impact Reports

BY DECEMBER 1, 2020

Submit service project impact reports to the Living to Serve Chapter Challenge and Missouri Farmers Care portal no later than December 1, 2020. Submission links are located below.

- Living to Serve Chapter Challenge: <u>https://www.jotform.com/form/9134394</u> <u>2661156</u>
- Missouri Farmers Care Drive Impact: <u>https://aeotm.formstack.com/forms/ffa</u> <u>drive_impact</u>



Questions

If you have grant specific questions please contact Keith Dietzchold at keith.dietzschold@dese.mo.gov

Additional resources and information can be located at <u>www.mofarmerscare.com/driveffa</u>.



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