



2025 Food Security Fund – Grant Application

The Rotary Club of Perrysburg is inviting selected organizations in Wood County to apply for grant funding from our 2025 Food Security Fund. We are seeking 501(c)(3) nonprofits and religious/faith-based organizations that provide food or meal support to Wood County residents, including pantries, meal sites, backpack/child nutrition programs, and mobile or outreach services.

Eligibility Requirements

To be considered, your organization must:

- Be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit or a religious/faith-based organization, and
- Operate a program that directly addresses food insecurity for residents of Wood County, Ohio

SECTION 1: Organization Information

1. Organization name: _____

2. Program name (if different from organization name): _____

3. Mailing address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

4. Primary contact name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

5. Executive Director (if different from primary contact) name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

6. Website (if any): _____

7. Organization status (check one):

- 501(c)(3) nonprofit
- Religious/faith-based organization
- Other (please describe): _____

8. If 501(c)(3), please provide:

- EIN: _____
- Please attach a copy of your most recent Form 990 (or 990-EZ or 990-N)
- You may also be asked to provide your IRS determination letter

9. Does your program primarily serve residents of Wood County, Ohio?

- Yes No – If no, please briefly explain how your program or organization impacts residents of Wood County:

SECTION 2: Funding Request

1. How much funding are you requesting from the Rotary Club? \$ _____

2. How do you plan to use these funds? Please note that grants will not be issued to cover administrative or overhead costs. Grant money must be dedicated in total to directly addressing food insecurity. (Examples: restock pantry shelves, extend program hours, expand to a new location, purchase refrigeration, etc.)

3. What are your main sources of financial and in-kind support for your food program overall? (Examples: individual donations, churches, foundations, government programs, corporate sponsors, food bank partnerships, donated food)

4. How would Rotary funding complement (not replace) your existing support? (Examples: Help us fill a gap, expand hours or locations, purchase items we can't usually afford, serve more people, etc.)

5. Did 100% of your board or governing body make a financial contribution to your organization in your most recent completed fiscal year? If not, please explain.

6. If selected for a grant, you might be asked to send representatives to our annual fundraiser, to be conducted on April 24, 2026, at 6 PM at the Hilton Garden at Levis Commons. Do you have any concerns with doing so? If yes, please explain.

SECTION 3: Tell Us About Your Work (Maximum 750 words)

Please describe your organization and the food program for which you're seeking Rotary support. Help us understand:

- **Your mission and what you do** – What's your organization's core purpose, and what type of food assistance do you provide (pantry, hot meals, mobile delivery, weekend backpacks, senior meals, etc.)?

- **Where and who you serve** – Which communities, neighborhoods, townships, or schools do you reach? Are there any focus areas for those you serve (e.g., families with children, seniors, students, people with disabilities, etc.)?
- **Your reach and frequency** – Approximately how many households or individuals do you typically serve each month, and how often can people access your services (weekly, twice monthly, etc.)? What criterion, if any, are applicable to those who wish to access your services, e.g., financial criteria, residency requirements? If you know roughly how many households are in your service area and what percentage regularly rely on your program, please share those estimates.
- **The gap you fill** – What specific need does your program address that might otherwise go unmet? This could be geographic (a rural area with few options), timing (evening, weekend, or holiday coverage), or serving a particular vulnerable population. If other food programs operate nearby, how is yours different or complementary?
- **Your impact** – If you track any simple metrics (households served monthly, meals provided, pounds of food distributed, children receiving weekend food, etc.), please share 2–3 key numbers that illustrate your reach.

We're looking for a clear picture of your program's role in addressing food insecurity in Wood County. Write naturally – there's no need to address every bullet separately. Focus on helping us understand the who, what, where, and why of your work. *[Write your response below]*

SECTION 4: Signature and Consent

If your organization is selected to receive a grant:

- You consent to our use of your organization's name, grant amount, and the nature of your project as set forth in this application or in interviews with our team, in our marketing materials and social media.
- You release and waive all claims against the Rotary Club of Perrysburg, the Perrysburg Community Rotary Foundation, and any of their members or contractors that arise, in any way, from this grantmaking process or the ultimate award of grants, including claims regarding use of your information in our communications.

By entering your initials below, you confirm that you have read and agree to the terms of this application.

Name (print): _____ Title: _____

Applicant Initials: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for your application. Our committee will review all eligible applications and notify organizations of decisions. We might request an interview with your Executive Director or program manager to get more information about your organization and program. Please note that completion of this application or participation in the interview process is not a guarantee of grant funding, nor is there any guarantee that an organization will receive the total amount requested.