



**Drive to Feed
Kids™**

**Changing lives
one meal at a time**

Missouri Farmers Care

2024 FFA SERVICE - CHAPTER MINI-GRANTS

in partnership with
Missouri Farmers Care Foundation's
Drive to Feed Kids

LIVING TO SERVE

Missouri FFA, in partnership with Missouri Farmers Care Foundation's Drive to Feed Kids, is offering chapters an opportunity to take part in a \$250 matching mini-grant program.

The goal of the chapter mini-grants is to provide FFA chapters a "living to serve" opportunity to address food insecurity needs or awareness in their community. Learn more at www.MOFarmersCare.com/Drive.



FFA CHAPTER REQUIREMENTS & DETAILS

Drive to Feed Kids is a year-round effort by Missouri farmers, agri-businesses and partners to address food insecurity in our state while sharing how we utilize science and technology to produce food for our communities. Through the program approximately 16 FFA chapters will be awarded \$250 grants to provide efforts related to food insecurity locally. Outlined below are the expectations for chapters to take part in this opportunity.



APPLY FOR MINI-GRANT

BY DECEMBER 15, 2023

Proposals will be reviewed and funded based upon merit and adherence with program guidelines.

- The grant will be a \$250 matching mini-grant. The “match” can be in-kind or dollars.
- To access the application, visit www.mofarmerscare.com/drive.
- Submit the one-page 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 info@mofarmerscare.com. Email subject line: FFA/MFC Mini-Grant Application.



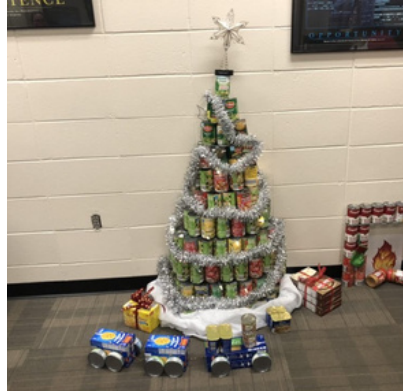


FOOD INSECURITY SERVICE ACTIVITY

BE COMPLETED BY
APRIL 1, 2024

The service project must take place by April 1 and the required impact reports are due April 14, 2024.

- Work to use the Strengthening Food Insecurity through Experiential Learning Resource to make an impactful experience.
- Resources such as food bank contacts and template promotional materials are located at www.mofarmerscare.com/drive.



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
- Create a community garden
- Ask your local food pantry how you can help



SEE HOW FOOD INSECURITY AFFECTS YOUR COUNTY

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



SUBMIT IMPACT REPORTS

BY APRIL 14, 2024

Submit service project impact reports to the Missouri Farmers Care portal no later than April 14, 2024.

Missouri Farmers Care Drive FFA Mini-Grant Impact Report Portal:
<https://aeotm.formstack.com/forms/2024impactreport>



QUESTIONS

If you have grant specific questions please contact Heather Dimitt-Fletcher at heather@missouriffa.org

Additional resources and information can be located at www.mofarmerscare.com/drive.



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This partnership is made possible by the efforts of Missouri farmers and ranchers, Missouri Farmers Care Foundation, Missouri FFA, ADM, Brownfield Ag News, Feeding Missouri, Missouri State Fair, and many agricultural organizations.

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