



# 2016 Grant Guidelines

## Information for Applicants

**Who is Eligible:** Any 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization located in Idaho whose services include hunger-relief. Applicants are NOT required to be a member of The Idaho Foodbank partner network, Catholic Charities, or the Idaho Community Action Partnership in order to apply.

**What We Fund:** Funds can be used to support ongoing hunger-relief programs and services, purchase food, and/or expand existing capacity (new freezers, shelving, transportation, etc). The typical grant amount is between \$500 and \$5,000.

**Deadlines:** Our 2016 grant cycle opens Friday, July 1 and applications are accepted through midnight mountain time on Monday, August 1. Grant awards are announced in late September and funds are dispersed in early October. Recipients will need to submit progress reports in March 2017 and October 2017.

**For More Information:** Visit our website at [www.idahofoodbankfund.org](http://www.idahofoodbankfund.org). You can also email us at [grants@idahofoodbankfund.org](mailto:grants@idahofoodbankfund.org) or call Michael Shumann at (208) 577-2682 for more information.

**How to Apply:** We prefer applicants use our online form, which can be found at [www.idahofoodbankfund.org](http://www.idahofoodbankfund.org). Applicants can also download a fillable PDF from the website which can be completed and emailed to [grants@idahofoodbankfund.org](mailto:grants@idahofoodbankfund.org), or printed and mailed to the address below. Mailed applications must be postmarked by August 1, 2016.

Idaho Food Bank Fund  
c/o The Idaho Foodbank  
3562 South TK Ave  
Boise, ID 83705

## Purpose and Background

Thousands of children, families, and senior citizens across Idaho depend on access to free emergency food. The Idaho Food Bank Fund provides financial support to local nonprofits who offer this important service in their communities. Grant awards help these organizations—which are often volunteer-driven—cover vital costs and activities associated with their work.

The Fund was established by the Idaho State Legislature in 2009 and monies are accepted on behalf of donors by the Idaho Tax Commission through what is commonly known as a 'tax check off' on Idaho State tax returns. The Idaho Foodbank is the recognized fiduciary agent for the Idaho Food Bank Fund, which is administered through an agreement between three statewide organizations: The Idaho Foodbank, Catholic Charities of Idaho, and the Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho. Idaho Food Bank Fund legislation reads:

57-824. There is hereby created in the state treasury, the Idaho Food Bank Fund. Moneys in the fund shall be appropriated to The Idaho Foodbank to provide food, information and support services to hungry people of this state through partnerships with nonprofit agencies, the food industry, government, volunteers, corporations and individuals by serving as a central clearinghouse for donated and purchased food.