

**The Presbytery of Middle Tennessee**  
**Hunger Grant Program**

**PLEASE NOTE**

**Applications can be submitted throughout the year, but grants will only be awarded on February 28 and August 31.**

**The deadline for winter applications is January 1, and the deadline for summer applications is July 1.**

**Please keep in mind that funding for the Hunger Grants can be limited, making the grant process competitive.**



## The Presbytery of Middle Tennessee Hunger Program

### Operating Guidelines

The Hunger Program is a ministry of the Committee on Mutual Support of the Presbytery of Middle Tennessee and follows the policies and guidelines of The Presbyterian Hunger Program based on the “Common Affirmation on Global Hunger” as amended by the 203rd General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in 1991. Grants are awarded in good faith based on offerings received through the Cents-Ability Program given by the congregations of the Presbytery of Middle Tennessee.

### Hunger Program Priorities

This program assists churches and organizations addressing hunger-related issues through:

1. **Direct Food Relief** – Providing food relief to hungry people through food supplements and feeding programs in local communities.
2. **Developmental Assistance** – Providing programs that combat hunger through integrated development and empowerment of people in such areas as agricultural training, nutrition education, economic development, and community organization.
3. **Influencing Public Policy** – Providing advocacy and support in just and peaceful means for policy changes that will provide food for the hungry, empower their self-development, and enable them to be free from oppressive and unjust systems that fail to meet their basic needs.
4. **Life-style Integrity** – Fostering corporate and family lifestyles sensitive to the reality of the earth’s limited resources and the critical needs of the human family.
5. **Education and Interpretation** – Providing resources and training strategies to educate about the root causes of hunger and motivate people to action.

### Criteria for Grants

1. Proposals shall be consistent with at least one of the five priorities of The Hunger Program.
2. The proposal shall come from an established church or 501(c)(3) organization.
3. The maximum grant awarded will be \$4,000.

### Application Procedures

1. Grants will be awarded twice a year: Feb. 28 (due Jan. 1), and Aug. 31 (due Jul. 1).
2. Organizations applying for grants should complete the grant application in full.
3. Submit the completed application via email to: [bobby@mborofpc.org](mailto:bobby@mborofpc.org) and [claire.k.harris@gmail.com](mailto:claire.k.harris@gmail.com) or mail to:

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**Hunger Grant Application 2026**

**Please create a separate document for responses**

**1. Organization Information**

- a. Organization Name
- b. Mailing Address and Street Address (if different)
- c. Telephone and Website (if applicable)
- d. Contact Person
- e. Contact Person's Phone and Email
- f. Date Application Submitted
- g. Amount requested

**2. Ministry Information**

- a. Tell us about your church or organization in 2-3 sentences
- b. Describe your organization's activities and food/feeding program in 3-5 sentences. (Types of assistance given, guidelines used, number of people/families assisted, etc.)
- c. Describe your organizational/administrative structure in 3-5 sentences. (Director, staffing, paid/volunteer ratio, etc.)
- d. In a few sentences, how does your work relate to at least one of the five priorities?
- e. Narrative Statement. Please share a fuller picture of what you're hoping to do in 3-5 sentences. How would this grant contribute to your broader mission?

**3. Applications must include the following attachments:**

- a. Proof of non-profit status 501(c)(3)
- b. Current list of board/committee members
- c. Budget summary (income/expenses for actual year and projected year)

**4. Endorsement of Local Presbyterian Church (USA) Congregation  
(please use a separate document for responses)**

- a. Name of Church
- b. Name of Pastor or Clerk of Session
- c. Date Completed
- d. Comments from endorsing congregation
- e. How do members of your congregation participate in this work?
- f. Does your congregation give direct financial support to this work?
- g. Does your congregation participate in the Cents-Ability offering program?
- h. Please list other hunger relief programs in which your church is involved. (Souper Bowl of Caring, Second Harvest, local food pantry, community garden etc.)