



Eos Foundation's Community-Wide Children's Meals Grant Program

The Eos Foundation's Community-Wide Children's Meals grants are intended to help school districts in Massachusetts provide any child in their communities (not just the school district) access to **two daily meals. Meals must be reimbursable through the USDA's** emergency meals program. To help districts maximize meals for children (ages 0-18 or 0-21, depending on which program they utilize), we are providing grants of up to \$10,000 per district (see application on next page). Monies are primarily intended for equipment, as food costs are reimbursable via the USDA. All districts **must** provide for home delivery for students who need it. To help districts set up or optimize their programs, we have videos and other resources on our [Facebook page @EosFoundation1](#) and [website](#), in addition to the tips below. To submit your application or for more information, please contact emergencygrants@eosfoundation.org or 508-430-8130.

Smart strategies to maximize participation in children's emergency meals programs

- Schools/sites should offer **2 free meals/day** (bagged breakfast and bagged lunch) to all children (0-21 for Seamless Summer Option and 0-18 for Summer Food Service Program). Kids (or parents/guardians on behalf of kids) can take both meals at once.
- **Kids do not need to be present for parents/guardians to pick up the meals.**
- School districts should make sure communications are clear to include **all children 0-18** (or 0-21 for SSO). Some districts have mistakenly publicized the program as for "school age children."
- **On Fridays, sites should provide families 6 meals** to cover both a breakfast and a lunch on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
- Any child from any district/community can pick up meals. Children do not have to be from your school, or even from your district. This is a community-wide feeding program.
- Some sites have experienced low uptake due to concerns around social distancing, and because kids may be home alone and unable to come on their own. To increase participation, districts should open multiple sites including bus stops, public housing developments, parking lots, etc. Barnstable started with 4 fixed sites and added 10 bus stop sites where the bus stops to hand out meals for 20-30 minutes on a consistent daily schedule (see attached flyer).
- Wherever possible, sites should offer drive-thru pickup, so caregivers can stay in cars.
- All sites should offer mobile to door service for children who are homebound. These meals are also reimbursable under new 3/18/20 guidance from USDA.
- To increase participation, use social media. See this [video](#) with Dennis-Yarmouth Food Service Director, Rooney Powers, as she discusses her drive-thru and door-to-programs. Create your own video and share it broadly. Please see other videos on the [Eos Foundation website](#) and [Facebook page @EosFoundation1](#).



Community-Wide Children's Meals Grant Application

The Eos Foundation is committed to working with school districts and emergency feeding sites to ensure the nutritional safety net for children amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. **Leveraging USDA reimbursed meals is our top priority.** To help you maximize meals for children (0-18 or 0-21, depending on the emergency feeding program your district utilizes), we are making emergency grants of up to \$10,000 per district. Monies may only be used for non-food costs, primarily equipment. All grantees must be serving mobile meals to those who need them. Please consult with your district's school nutrition director (SND) when completing this application and submit to emergencygrants@eosfoundation.org and call 508-430-8130 with questions.

1. Contact information – include the name of your district, and the name and contact information for your superintendent and SND. If applicant is other than the SND, please include name, title, and contact information. Consultation with your district SND on this application is encouraged.
2. Did your district serve meals last summer (2019) through the USDA's Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) or Seamless Summer Option (SSO)? If so, which one? Did anyone else in your district serve as an SFSP sponsor last summer?
3. Have you opened emergency sites in response to C-19 school closures? When did you open your sites, and how many are you operating? Please provide detail.
4. Which USDA meal program are you operating (SFSP, SSO or other)? What funds are you utilizing to cover the costs of your meal program during school closures?
5. How many children are you feeding on a typical day (not a Friday)? What mobile meal solutions are you operating and how many children are you reaching via them?
6. How many children attend your district schools and what percentage (approximately) qualify for Free/Reduced (F/R) meals? How many on average participate in the F/R school breakfast and lunch programs on a typical day?
7. What is your plan to reach all the children in your district schools and community who need meals? How will you reach children ages 0-5 who are not enrolled in school but are eligible for the free USDA meals?
8. What resources do you need to maintain or expand your C-19 meal operations? What is the grant amount you are requesting and how will those funds be used? Please provide a basic budget. See example answer below.

We need to expand our capacity to package, store and transport meals for distribution. To do this we need more coolers, ice packs, hot packs, and cases of the plastic bags we use to package the meals. We are requesting: \$8,600 in order to purchase:

84 coolers at \$30 each = \$2,520

92 hot packs at \$24 each = \$2,208 plus approximately \$80 shipping = \$2,288

4 cases of ice packs at \$114 each = \$456 plus approximately \$35 shipping = \$491

26 cases of meal bags at \$120 each = \$3,120

52 units of tape to seal the meal bags at \$3.70 each = \$192

9. What other emergency food partners have you worked with/are you reaching out to?



GRAB & GO

Breakfast and Lunches

Bus Stop Locations/Times

Along with the pick-up locations at BIS, BUES, HyWest, and HYCC. In an effort to reach more students, starting Friday, March 20, BPS will have the following meal drop off locations Monday-Friday for ALL students.

BUS STOPS MONDAY - FRIDAY

ROUTE A (Five Star bus)

465 Sea Street (Sea Street Beach)	10:45 am to 11:15 am
200 Main St (Health Offices)	11:30 am to 12:15 pm

ROUTE B (Five Star bus)

367 Main Street (Town Hall)	10:45 am to 11:30 am
767 Independence Dr (Village Green Apts. entrance)	11:50 am to 12:30 pm

ROUTE C (Five Star bus)

852 Bears's Way (Hyannis Elks)	10:45 am to 11:30 am
2095 Main Street (Old Marstons Mills Elementary)	11:50 am to 12:35 pm

ROUTE D (BPS bus)

117 Turtleback Rd (Turtleback Triangle)	11:00 am to 11:30 am
168 Barnstable Road (Cromwell Court)	11:50 am to 12:35 pm

ROUTE E (BPS bus)

2377 Meetinghouse Way (Lombard Field)	11:00 am to 11:30 am
3195 Rt. 6A (County Complex lot, behind Fire dept.)	11:45 am to 12:15 pm