



**Network of Jewish
Human Service Agencies**

Request for Proposals: Capital Grants To Address Food Insecurity

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Due Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2026

For questions please contact [Linda Blumberg](#)

Introduction

The Network of Jewish Human Service Agencies (The Network), with generous funding support from The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, announces an opportunity for Network U.S. member agencies in good standing to apply for funding to support capital improvements for capacity building for food pantries and food programs to address the needs of those struggling with issues of food insecurity. Grants are available to strengthen and expand food pantry programs through investments in critical equipment, technology, and infrastructure upgrades.

Target populations may include, but are not limited to, individuals and families in the Jewish and broader communities who, as a result of government actions, policies, and legislation have experienced reductions in or lost access to SNAP and Medicaid or other benefits, to resettlement program services, or Temporary Protected Status (TPS), and/or have been furloughed or laid off. These groups encompass a range of vulnerable populations including older adults, Russian speaking elderly, Holocaust Survivors, single parents with school age children, persons with disabilities, the unemployed, refugees or asylum seekers, domestic violence survivors and others facing economic or social hardship.

Funding is available through a challenge grant to support capital need improvements to increase agencies' capacity to better address food insecurity experienced by Jewish and broader communities resulting from government actions, as well as other urgent community needs. Agencies are required to provide 70% of the project funding in order to be eligible to receive the remaining 30% match.

TEN: Together Ending Need will offer office hours and introductions, where it has them, to local funders for applicants seeking match support. Please indicate in your application if you're interested in an introduction.

Grant requests may range from a minimum of \$10,000 to a maximum of \$150,000.

Funding requests may address the following needs:

a. **Food Service Equipment and Infrastructure:** Purchase or installation of equipment to expand food storage, preparation, distribution, or service capacity, such as freezers, refrigerators, shelving, loading and unloading equipment, food preparation or packaging equipment, and other related capital purchases.

b. Database and Tracking Systems: Development or purchase of electronic or other systems to support food service operations, including systems for tracking client participation, food inventory, distribution, deliveries, or other program data.

c. Fresh Food Production Resources: Capital investments that support the production or availability of fresh foods, such as establishing or expanding gardens that provide fresh fruits, vegetables, or other food products.

d. Mobile Food Pantry Infrastructure: Purchase of vehicles, equipment, ramps, or other capital needs that establish or expand mobile food pantry services and increase access to food.

e. Home-Delivered Meal Program Infrastructure: Capital investments that increase capacity to prepare, package, store, track, or deliver home-delivered meals, including food service equipment, packaging equipment, delivery vehicles, and tracking systems.

f. Pre-Development Costs: Eligible pre-development expenses associated with planning or preparing for a capital project.

g. Other Capital Improvements: Other capital investments that demonstrably increase the capacity, efficiency, geographic reach, or scope of food services and/or increase the number of clients served.

APPLICATION:

* 1. Agency Name:

* 2. Agency Information:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Agency EIN #:

* 3. Contact Person at Agency for this Project:

Title:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Head of Agency, Title:

Head of Agency, Email
Address:

* 4. Agency Mission:

* 5. Is your agency participating in the current NTEN NTR cohort?

Agencies participating in the NTEN NTR cohort need to confer with Network staff if they want to apply for an NTEN NTR capital needs project that is related to or overlaps with the project proposed in this RFP. The combined grants requests cannot equal more than 30% of the total capital project cost.

☐ Yes

☐ No

* 6. Are you interested in having office hours from TEN: Together Ending Need?

☐ Yes

☐ No



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Program Description and Grant Request:

* 7. Brief Summary of Proposed Project and proposed use of the funding:

* 8. Total Project Cost:

* 9. Amount of Grant Request (cannot exceed 30% of Project cost):

* 10. If full request exceeds available funds, can the project still proceed?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

11. If yes, please explain to what extent it will be implemented:

* 12. Describe the issue or need addressed by this grant proposal:

Project Description:

* 13. Describe the agency's current services which address food insecurity. Include service components, populations served (demographics/income level), geographic scope (include whether you will be serving underserved regions), length of time in operation and track record of service to the community:

* 14. Describe any agency participation in local coalitions or networks to collaboratively address food insecurity:

* 15. Number of individuals provided with food in the most recent program year for which you have data:

* 16. Describe for what the grant funding will be used:

* 17. Is this project a new or innovative approach to address food insecurity?

☐ Yes

☐ No

18. If yes, please describe:

* 19. Will the project enable the growth in the number of individuals provided with food?

☐ Yes

☐ No

20. If yes, projected number of individuals to be served following project implementation and explain how the project will contribute to this growth.

* 21. Explain how the project will serve vulnerable populations, including but not limited to low, underserved, rural, etc:

* 22. Geographic scope of the project – does this include underserved regions?

☐ Yes

☐ No

23. If yes, please explain:

* 24. Indicate estimated percentage of current Jewish community clients and of anticipated Jewish community clients who will be served with the increased capacity provided by the grant funding:

* 25. Indicate how the grant funding will increase the capacity and efficiency of the food program (improve client experience, streamline operations, widen geographic scope, etc.):

* 26. Include an explanation of the impact this grant will have on the program and the community:

27. List goals of the project:

Goal:

Goal:

Goal:

Goal:

Goal:

* 28. Discuss how you will measure whether these goals were addressed:

* 29. Location and address of the project:

* 30. Plan for funding the remaining 70% of the project beyond the 30% grant:

Sustainability Plan:

* 31. Plans for maintaining the capital improvements and continuing the services beyond the grant period:



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Financial Information

* 32. Agency Annual Operating Budget.

33. If applicable, square footage to be added and cost per square foot.

* 34. Other Funding Sources:

List any anticipated challenges, if any, to raising the matching funds.



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Timeline:

* 35. Please indicate the anticipated timeline from grant approval to full implementation of the project (including the timing required to raise matching funds):

Agency Approval:

* 36. Please indicate that the CEO/ED of the agency has approved the submission of this application.

☐ Yes

☐ No

* 37. If a project of this type would require board approval at your agency, please indicate that the agency's board of directors is supportive of this application:

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ N/A