



Elks National Foundation 2014-15 Promise Grant Application

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1. Contact Information [View/Change](#)

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Please list the date of the meeting when this grant was discussed.

Meeting Date: 2/10/2014

2. Grant Description [View/Change](#)

Category: Crisis Support, Food Pantry/ Distribution, Other Youth Activity

Audience: Hunger Issues, Youth

Describe your Lodge's charitable youth project or projects.

Childhood hunger is common problem in our community. Children often receive meals at school but may not have sufficient food to last over a weekend. Our project is to provide weekend food backpacks to local elementary students in partnership with our local food shelf (ICA). Through the food shelf we can purchase food at a steep discount thus stretching our donation dollar further.

We plan to hold two "packing" events one in September and one to be scheduled in which we partner with local youth groups to prepare the food backpacks for distribution. Our project is "Kids Helping Kids".

How is the Lodge serving youth with this grant? Is the Lodge making an effort to reach out to youth in need?

We are serving youth in two ways. First by providing a most basic human need - food - to a child in the community. Second, we plan to work with youth groups such as our local Treehouse serving teens in need to help us prepare the back packs. Kids need positive adult interaction and a vehicle for achieving self worth. Volunteering and paying it forward are two ways to help both adults and kids feel like they are contributing to society and feel positive about themselves.

Elks participation is required. Tell us how Lodge members are actively involved in this project, how many will be involved and how the community will know this as an Elks project.

We expect 8-10 Elks members to participate in each packing session as well as distributing the backpacks to the local schools. We plan on including a brochure with our lodge information but also local social services in our area to help educate these families in need.

We hope to get local media coverage as well promote this as one of our many activities at our major public events during the year.

Who will benefit from this project and how? What does the Lodge expect to accomplish with this project?

The youth will benefit in two ways - through receiving much needed food but also through packing of the bags and contributing to the needs of others.

Elks members benefit by upholding our Elks Care Elks Share motto and continuing a community presence through this event.

We have a number of new, young families joining the Lodge this year and we want to encourage their participation by finding events and initiatives that they can relate to as a young family.

Anticipated date of project completion: 01/31/2015

3. Budget [View/Change](#)

Item	Estimated Cost
Backpacks	\$500.00
Food	\$1,950.00
Brochures, signage	\$50.00
Total Grant request:	\$2,000.00

Total cost of event:

\$2,500.00

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If you're completely finished with your Promise Grant application, you must submit it for consideration. If you have questions before you submit, contact us at ENFPrograms@elks.org or call 773/755-4730.

Once submitted, you can no longer edit your application.

This form must be submitted by the Lodge Secretary. By submitting this form, you agree to complete the Final Report Form that will be sent to you upon approval, and send all grant-related receipts. Failure to return the Final Report Form and receipts will render the Lodge ineligible to participate in future grant offerings. If for some reason the Lodge needs to cancel the Promise Grant event described on this form, the Secretary is required to notify the ENF as soon as possible so that we may award the Promise Grant to another Lodge.

I agree to these terms.

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