



## Stronger Communities

Since our earliest days, the Kroger family of companies has been a good neighbor and trusted local partner to the communities we serve from coast to coast. Our commitment includes charitable giving, service and outreach that supports and strengthens neighborhoods and helps families live healthier lives.

We're proud to be America's grocer and your local partner.

### Request a Donation

We support organizations that share our mission to transform communities. Kroger's Zero Hunger | Zero Waste social impact plan is our commitment to end hunger in our communities and eliminate waste across the company by 2025.

We focus charitable giving to advance these key focus areas:

- Zero Hunger | Zero Waste
- Diversity & Inclusion
- Health & Nutrition
- Stronger Communities

To request a donation, please visit [www.communitygifts.com](http://www.communitygifts.com).

### Guidelines

We consider donation requests from 501(c)(3) registered nonprofit organizations through this platform. We verify all 501(c)(3) nonprofits through the *Guidestar Charity Check*, to confirm they meet all IRS requirements to receive grants and donations.

When requesting a donation, please specify the type of support needed from these options:

- **Cash Donation:** nonprofit organization request for charitable cash support to help drive community impact. This includes Foundation Grants for philanthropic support to transform our communities without any commercial incentive
- **Sponsorship:** nonprofit organization request for cash support with the purpose of achieving commercial objectives
- **Gift Card:** nonprofit organization request for gift cards
- **Product:** nonprofit organization request for in-kind or product donations

Eligible organizations are not guaranteed to receive funding. We may also fulfill your requests at a different donation amount than requested on the original application.

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### Additional Notes:

- Nonprofit organizations may submit an online request any time during the year. Please submit your request a **minimum of four weeks** before the event or deadline
- You can view the status of your donation request by logging into your account at any time.
- We do not make donations to the following:
  - Individuals,
  - Travel expenses,
  - Political campaigns,
  - Sectarian or religious organizations for projects that serve only its own members or supporters; and
  - Organizations that discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, mental or physical ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity and/or expression.

We also provide an alternative fundraising option for 501(c)(3) charitable organizations, local schools and churches through **Community Rewards**.

Through Community Rewards, we make it easy to support the local nonprofit organizations that matter most to you. Choose from school groups, churches and synagogues, youth sports, food banks, animal support groups and many more. Community Rewards is a good way for schools (K-12), churches and local 501(c)(3) charitable organizations to generate financial support from members and supporters who shop with us. [Learn more](#).

**For Smith’s customers:** If your closest store is Smith’s, you can enroll in **Inspiring Donations**. More details are available [here](#).

## Our Foundations



The Kroger Co. Foundation places our communities  at the center of what we do. With our Purpose in mind – To Feed the Human Spirit™ – we help make a difference in the communities we call home in 35 states and the District of Columbia. The Kroger Co. Foundation primarily support nonprofit organizations focused on ending hunger, improving food security and bringing balanced meals to families who need it most.

The Kroger Co. Zero Hunger | Zero Waste Foundation is on a mission to help create communities free of hunger and waste. We are looking for scalable and innovative solutions to help create communities free of hunger and waste.

Please note that grants from The Kroger Co. Foundation and The Kroger Co. Zero Hunger | Zero Waste Foundation are processed quarterly with the following application deadlines: 04/21/2022, 07/14/2022, 10/06/2022, 01/04/2023.

Working together, we will achieve meaningful change that transforms our communities.