Help us create a Nashville where all children have access to healthy food.
According to Alignment Nashville, 72.4% of Metro Nashville Public School students live at or below the federal poverty line and are food insecure. The 2016 Nashville Community Needs Evaluation identifies children in low-income families as the most vulnerable in our city’s population. Children who do not receive adequate nutrition are more likely to fall behind in school, experience behavioral problems and have more emergency room visits.

The Nashville Food Project’s (TNFP) meals are designed with whole health in mind, to support complete physical, mental and social well-being for those who enjoy these meals. TNFP’s scratch-made meals exceed federal requirements for fruits and vegetables, ensuring that children are receiving the nutrient-dense foods they need to support proper growth, learning and development.

Since 2017, The Nashville Food Project has partnered with YMCA of Middle Tennessee to provide daily, healthy meals for thousands of children participating in YMCA Fun Company after-school programs. YMCA Fun Company provides a safe place for students (ages 3-13) to learn, grow and thrive in the critical hours before school, after school and during the summer, bridging the gap between home and school. In 2020, TNFP will share over 60,000 meals to nearly 500 children participating in Fun Company programs at 11 school-based sites.

While a portion of the costs to produce these meals are reimbursed through federal nutrition programs, that reimbursement does not cover the full cost of these meals, leaving a critical funding gap. Your corporate sponsorship dollars will help fill that gap, ensuring as many children as possible have access to healthy, delicious meals.

I literally could not be happier - and more proud - to partner with TNFP! The food you guys provide us is absolutely head and shoulders above what we are able to get elsewhere. We are so thrilled to serve healthy, delicious meals to our kids!

YMCA representative
2020 Sponsorship Opportunities

In 2020, The Nashville Food Project will partner with YMCA to share nearly 70,000 healthy, made-from-scratch meals with 465 children in our community. We are seeking corporate sponsors to support this program through area- or site-based sponsorship. Each sponsorship will support the sharing of roughly 23,000 meals, served daily Monday - Friday, to an average of 155 children. Sponsors are invited to choose their preferred area or site on a first-come, first-served basis.

North Nashville
Supports daily meal service to children enrolled in YMCA Fun Company programs at Alex Green Elementary, Amqui Elementary, Bellshire Elementary Design Center, Old Center Elementary and Taylor Stratton Elementary.

West Nashville
Supports daily meal service to children enrolled in YMCA Fun Company programs at Carter-Lawrence Elementary, Hull Jackson Montessori Magnet, Jones Paideia Magnet, Park Avenue Elementary and Robert E. Lillard Elementary.

Buena Vista Elementary
Supports daily meal service available to all children enrolled at Beuna Vista Elementary School, a Pre-K through fourth-grade school where 97% of students are currently eligible for free and reduced lunch.

Each sponsorship opportunity is available for $10,000 per single semester or $20,000 for a full calendar year. Sponsorship dollars support roughly 50% of program costs not covered by federal reimbursement programs. Sponsor benefits include:

- Recognition of sponsorship in all program mentions on TNFP online media
- One guaranteed mention on TNFP’s Facebook Page, which has 6,180 followers, 1,7K average post reach and 144 average post engagements
- One guaranteed mention on TNFP’s Instagram account, which has 6,518 followers, 1,655 average post reach and 121 average post engagements
- Logo or name on “Supporters” page of TNFP website
- At least one meal prep volunteer time for up to 12 people in TNFP kitchen during duration of sponsorship term (January-May for spring, August-December for fall, both for full school year)
- Follow-up impact report after completion of sponsorship term, presented at a lunch hosted by TNFP for up to 20 people

To secure your sponsorship, please contact our Development Director Teri Sloan at teri@thenashvillefoodproject.org or 615-460-0172 ext. 103.