Getting Started
The process for setting up a local chapter can take some time and effort, but it should be fun too! The best way to ensure that it is both productive and fun is to work with a team of people who share your passion for spreading the Slow Food message. You’ll need a minimum of five people committed to serving on your chapter’s leadership team in order to get started. Once you’ve found your teammates, get together (in person and over food is best, of course!) to work through answering this form as a group. The primary purpose of completing this form is to get your ideas down on paper.

Proposed Chapter Name
No answer given

This application's point person's email address:
No answer given

Location
One of Slow Food USA’s greatest strengths is that we are a true grassroots network. Chapters are rooted in a specific community and geography. We act locally and collaborate nationally for the most effective change toward good, clean, and fair food for all. Please provide the mailing address you will use as a chapter- this address will be used to locate your chapter, receive Slow Food mail, and be used as the IRS address for the chapter.

Street Address
No answer given

City
No answer given

State
No answer given

Zip Code
No answer given
Please briefly describe the geographic area your chapter will focus. For instance, many chapters focus on a town or city, others focus on a natural region, and some focus on an entire state (140 characters or less).

No answer given

Are you applying as a campus chapter?

No answer given

If you answered yes above, what is the name of your school?

No answer given
A Chapter’s Leadership Team is the most critical key to a successful chapter. A founding team is required to have at least five people filling the roles of Chairperson, Board Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, and one more leadership role. We require a minimum of 5 founding leaders because you must start a chapter with a board of directors of 5. Other leader roles include: membership Chair: focus on engaging donors and members. Also can be called fundraising chair social justice/equity Chair: focus on ensuring chapter operation and activities are just, equitable, and anti-oppressive events Chair: Focus on creating and coordinating chapter events marketing Chair: Focus on outreach, especially email lists, social media, and media partners co-Chairperson: active chapters can be quite busy. Having a co-chairperson is a great way to share the responsibility. all five leaders can concurrently be board members and hold another leader role. But no leader can concurrently hold two or more of any of these roles: chairperson, co-chairperson, board chair, treasurer and secretary.

**Chairperson**

The chairperson is the main active leader of the chapter. This position is best related to an executive director. This person is mainly responsible for a chapter’s activities.

Chairperson First Name  
No answer given

Chairperson Last Name  
No answer given

Chairperson Email Address  
No answer given

Chairperson Phone Number  
No answer given

**Board Chair**

The Board Chair is the main leader of the board of directors. This person is mainly responsible for ensuring the bylaws and charter for chapter is being followed. This includes ensuring good governance, mission adherence, and proper financial records.

Board Chair First Name  
No answer given

Board Chair Last Name  
No answer given
No answer given

Board Chair Email Address

No answer given

Board Chair Phone Number

No answer given

Treasurer

The treasurer is primarily responsible for the financial health, filings, and bookkeeping for the chapter. This includes ensuring that chapter decisions are financially sound, maintaining proper financial books, and reporting annually to the IRS.

Treasurer First Name

No answer given

Treasurer Last Name

No answer given

Treasurer Email Address

No answer given

Treasurer Phone Number

No answer given

Secretary

The Secretary is quite an important role as they will keep the official minutes for chapter meetings and decisions. This is very important so that all chapter leaders and members consistently have common understanding and expectations. The Secretary is also responsible to ensure that decisions that require voting actually have a recorded vote- and is not just a the decision of one leader.

Secretary First Name

No answer given

Secretary Last Name

No answer given
Secretary Email Address

No answer given

Secretary Phone Number

No answer given

**Fifth Leader**

The fifth founding member of the team. Suggested roles include co-chairperson, membership/fundraising chair, events chair, marketing chair, and social justice/equity chair. Short descriptions of each found in this page intro above.

Leadership Role

No answer given

First Name

No answer given

Last Name

No answer given

Email Address

No answer given

Phone Number

No answer given

**Additional Leader**

Additional Leader if applicable. The more the merrier! A vibrant chapter with strong leadership is the key to success!

Leadership Role

No answer given

First Name

No answer given
Last Name

No answer given

Email Address

No answer given

Phone Number

No answer given

Additional Leader

Additional Leader if applicable. The more the merrier! A vibrant chapter with strong leadership is the key to success!

Leadership Role

No answer given

First Name

No answer given

Last Name

No answer given

Email Address

No answer given

Phone Number

No answer given

Additional Leader

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Leadership Role

No answer given
First Name

No answer given

Last Name

No answer given

Email Address

No answer given

Phone Number

No answer given

Additional Leader

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Leadership Role

No answer given

First Name

No answer given

Last Name

No answer given

Email Address

No answer given

Phone Number

No answer given

Additional Leader

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Leadership Role

No answer given

First Name

No answer given

Last Name

No answer given

Email Address

No answer given

Phone Number

No answer given

Extra Credit: Selfies!! Bonus points if you snap a group photo of your team and send it in with this application - we love to be able to put faces to names :)

No answer given
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Strategies/Areas of focus
There are many ways to fight for good, clean, and fair food for all. It is very important to define the main strategies/focus areas you will concentrate on as a chapter. Chapters may have many areas of focus, but we recommend that less is more. The more focus the better. Some examples: Building active partnerships with other local organizations, Creating a strong social media presence or web presence to communicate to members, Building strong fundraising strategies, Creating active events, Creating programming, Advocating to local government, Creating activist movements.

What will be the main focus areas or strategies for your chapter's activities?

No answer given

Specific Goals
One of the keys to a successful chapter is to be active and engaged. For your first year and every year after, we ask you to set annual goals you seek to achieve. These goals are taking your strategies stated above and now setting concrete goals. We suggest these goals to be S.M.A.R.T. -- specific, measurable, assignable, realistic, and time-bound. Some examples: Establishing healthy and active partnerships with three local organizations where you supporting each other's organizational goals, Fundraising $10,000 for chapter programs/activities, Hosting three events for advocacy campaigns for xxx issue, Executing one social media campaign that either raised awareness by increasing followers by X amount or raised X dollars.

For this first year, what are your specific goals that you aim to achieve? Please list at least three.

No answer given

National groups and campaigns
Slow Food has many national groups and campaigns that will help you with your local efforts and can raise your efforts to a national level. You can join in preserving bio-culturally endangered foods by participating in the Ark of Taste. You can give a national food award to your local businesses with the Snail of Approval. You can find descriptions of these on our website: https://slowfoodusa.org

Please choose which national groups and campaigns that you plan on engaging with as a chapter.

No answer given
The fight for good, clean, and fair food for all is fundamentally a justice fight. Access to quality food is a human right. We call our focus on justice and anti-oppression "joy + justice". Through seeking just food systems, we will also achieve real joy-- in our journey, our actions, our events, our food, and our relationships. For more information and perspective, please refer to the Slow Food Equity, Inclusion, and Justice Manifesto.

How will your chapter center your actions on joy + justice? How will your chapter's actions and internal operations remain consistently dedicated to good, clean, and fair food for all? For example, can you point to one of your focal strategies and to a goal?

No answer given

Is your leadership team representative of your communities demographics-- this includes gender, race, socio-economic status, and more?

Yes

Please describe how your leadership team is appropriately representative of the community you seek to serve. And please describe how you will seek to maintain this.

No answer given

How will you work together to establish a chapter culture of consensus/consent, gratitude, and fun?

No answer given

Is there anything else you want to include here for consideration during the review of this phase of your chapter application?

No answer given

You did it! Please review this application and click submit when ready!