



## PETITION FOR NONUSE VARIANCE HOLLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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To the Petitioner: A nonuse variance (also known as a dimensional variance) is a variance granted upon showing of "practical difficulty" created by a dimensional requirement in a zoning ordinance. If granted, the variance is a license to violate the zoning law. Dimensional variances typically involve setbacks, height limitations, bulk, lot area and other numerical standards in an ordinance.

The Michigan Courts have set standards to be used when considering nonuse variances. These standards require the petitioner to demonstrate a "practical difficulty" unique to the property - not the petitioner - in order to qualify.

Please print or type:				
Applicant's Name:	Kids' Food Basket	Phone: <u>616.235.4532</u>		
Applicant's Address:	652 Hastings Ave	E-mail:kim.moore@kidsfoodbasket.org		
	Holland, MI 49423			
Property Address:	Kids' Food Basket Farm 340 104th Ave.	, Holland, MI 49423		
Parcel Number:	70 - 16 - <u>36</u> - <u>300</u> - <u>016</u>	Zoning: <u>F9952 T15165</u>		
Owner's Name:	Ridge Point Community Church	Phone: 616.395.2600		
Owner's Address:	340 104th Ave., Holland, MI 49423	E-mail: scottp@fearlessfollower.org		
	intion of Your Request: Since 2015, Kide! Fo			
Provide a Brief Descr	iption of Your Request: Since 2015, Kids' Fo	ood Basket (KFR) has provided		
	eals to children in Ottawa Co. In 2020, KF			
Holland to expand	its nutrition programming to more than 1,1	100 kids in Ottawa and Allegan		
counties. In order to	o provide more equitbale access to health	y food for lakeshore families KFB		
secured a farm. Th	e KFB farm is a 10-acre shared property i	n partnership with Ridge Point		
Community Church	L KFB leases the land to grow produce for	r its Nourish program and		
community partner	s to increase healthy food access in Ottav	va Co.		

Standards for Granting of Variance. No variance in the provisions or requirements of this ordinance (Zoning Ordinance) shall be authorized by the Zoning Board of Appeals unless it is found from the evidence that all the following conditions exist:

- 1. That compliance with the Zoning Ordinance would result in practical difficulties due to exceptional, extraordinary, or unique characteristics or conditions of the land or lot of record, including but not limited to:
  - a. Exceptional narrowness of the width or depth of a lot of record, or an irregular shape.
  - b. Exceptional natural or topographic features located on the lot of record, such as steep slopes, water, existing significant trees, or other unique or extreme physical conditions of the land.
  - c. Extraordinary location of an existing building or structure that allows no other practical or feasible location for expansion because of exceptional features of the land.
  - d. Other exceptional or extraordinary dimensional conditions or characteristics of land or lot of record.
- 2. That the unusual circumstances do not apply to most other lots of record in the same manner or to the same extent to other lots of record in the same zoning district.
- 3. That the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right. The possibility of increased financial return shall not of itself be deemed sufficient to warrant a variance.
- 4. That the granting of the variance will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent and nearby land uses and properties.
- 5. That the applicant shall not have created the problem for which the variance is being sought.
- 6. That the granting of the variance will not be contrary to the public interest and that the spirit of this ordinance shall be observed, public safety secured, and substantial justice done for both the applicant and other property owners in the district.

Describe how this petition meets all of the above conditions (attach additional sheets as necessary):

Kids' Food Basket Farm is a separate entity from Ridge Point Community Church. Currently, there is no visual recognition or signage that identifies KFB's Farm to community stakeholders and potential volunteers. The location of the KFB farm, barn and greenhouse is not visible to motorists. KFB hosts hundreds of students, volunteers & community members daily, the need for signage and visibility is critical to our work in the community. We are constantly told that volunteers have difficulties locating our facility because there is not signage that identifies KFB or distinguishes it from Ridge Point Community Church. The proposed signage will not be a detriment to Ridge Point Community Church or the adjacent neighbors and businesses.

A filing fee of \$400.00 must be submitted along with nine (9) complete copies of: this form, related documentation, and the site plan including an electronic copy of the site plan on CD or other file sharing device. This petition must be submitted as least four (4) weeks before the scheduled hearing date. Incomplete applications will not be scheduled for a hearing.

You or your authorized agent must be present at the hearing to present your petition. You will be notified as to the date and time. Your neighbors within 300 feet will also be notified concerning your hearing.

## **Property Owners Certification**

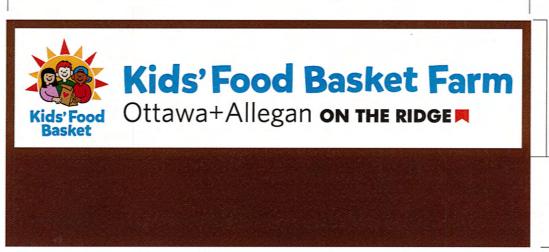
I hereby certify that I am the owner of the above-described property and have authorized the applicant to seek this variance on by behalf. I further understand that conditions and restrictions may be place upon this property by the Holland Township Zoning Board of appeals and hereby agree to conform to and abide by any and all such conditions.

I further agree and authorize representatives from Holland Charter Township to enter my property in order to review the particulars of my request.

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69" Width of sign, including frame



18" Height of sign, including frame

12" Base

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