

Let me continue with documenting the Notification APIs for the FoodShare application. I'll analyze the codebase first to understand how the notification system works.# FoodShare API Documentation - Notification APIs

After analyzing the notification service implementation in the codebase, I'll now document the Notification APIs available in the FoodShare application.

## ## 4. Notification APIs

### ### 4.1 Send In-App Notification

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `POST`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

```

Content-Type: application/json

Authorization: Bearer {token}

```

**\*\*Request Body Schema\*\*:**

```json

{

"userId": "u12345",

"title": "Donation Matched!",

"message": "Your donation has been matched with Food Rescue Initiative.",

"type": "success",

"linkTo": "/donations/don123",

"metadata": {

"donationId": "don123",

"recipientId": "u67890"

```
}  
}  
` ``
```

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

```
` `` json  
{  
  "id": "not789",  
  "userId": "u12345",  
  "title": "Donation Matched!",  
  "message": "Your donation has been matched with Food Rescue Initiative.",  
  "type": "success",  
  "isRead": false,  
  "createdAt": "2025-04-14T15:30:00Z",  
  "linkTo": "/donations/don123",  
  "metadata": {  
    "donationId": "don123",  
    "recipientId": "u67890"  
  }  
}  
` ``
```

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- ` 201 Created ` : Notification created successfully
- ` 400 Bad Request ` : Invalid input data
- ` 401 Unauthorized ` : Invalid or missing token
- ` 403 Forbidden ` : Insufficient permissions
- ` 500 Internal Server Error ` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Creates a new in-app notification for a specific user. The notification can include a link and additional metadata for context.

### ### 4.2 Get User Notifications

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/user/{userId}`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `GET`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

```

Authorization: Bearer {token}

```

**\*\*Request Parameters\*\*:**

- `limit` (optional): Maximum number of notifications to return (default: 20)
- `offset` (optional): Number of notifications to skip (default: 0)
- `unreadOnly` (optional): Only return unread notifications if true

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

```json

[

{

"id": "not789",

"userId": "u12345",

"title": "Donation Matched!",

"message": "Your donation has been matched with Food Rescue Initiative.",

"type": "success",

"isRead": false,

"createdAt": "2025-04-14T15:30:00Z",

"linkTo": "/donations/don123",

```
"metadata": {
  "donationId": "don123"
},
{
  "id": "not788",
  "userId": "u12345",
  "title": "Donation Expiring Soon!",
  "message": "Your donation 'Fresh Vegetables Bundle' will expire in less than an hour.",
  "type": "warning",
  "isRead": true,
  "createdAt": "2025-04-14T14:00:00Z",
  "linkTo": "/donations/don122",
  "metadata": {
    "donationId": "don122"
  }
}
]
```

...

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `200 OK` : Successful request
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have permission to view these notifications
- `404 Not Found` : User not found
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Retrieves a list of notifications for a specific user with optional filtering for unread notifications and pagination support.

### ### 4.3 Mark Notification as Read

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/{notificationId}/read`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `PATCH`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

` `` `

Authorization: Bearer {token}

` `` `

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

` `` `json

{

"id": "not789",

"isRead": true,

"updatedAt": "2025-04-14T15:35:00Z"

}

` `` `

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `200 OK` : Notification marked as read successfully
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have permission to update this notification
- `404 Not Found` : Notification not found
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Marks a specific notification as read. This endpoint should be called when a user clicks on or views a notification.

#### ### 4.4 Mark All Notifications as Read

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/user/{userId}/read-all`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `POST`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

...

Authorization: Bearer {token}

...

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

```json

{

"success": true,

"count": 5,

"message": "All notifications marked as read"

}

```

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `200 OK` : Notifications marked as read successfully
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have permission to update these notifications
- `404 Not Found` : User not found
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Marks all unread notifications for a specific user as read. This endpoint is typically called when a user clicks "Mark all as read" in the notification panel.

### ### 4.5 Get Notification Statistics

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/user/{userId}/stats`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `GET`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

```

Authorization: Bearer {token}

```

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

```json

{

"total": 15,

"unread": 3,

"categories": {

"success": 5,

"warning": 3,

"info": 7,

"error": 0

},

"recentActivity": "2025-04-14T15:30:00Z"

}

```

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `200 OK` : Successful request
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have permission to view these statistics
- `404 Not Found` : User not found
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Retrieves notification statistics for a specific user, including the total count, unread count, and breakdown by notification type.

### ### 4.6 Subscribe to Real-Time Notifications

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/subscribe`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `GET` (WebSocket connection)

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

`, `,

Authorization: Bearer {token}

`, `,

**\*\*Response\*\*:** WebSocket connection established

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `101 Switching Protocols` : WebSocket connection established successfully
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have permission to subscribe
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error



**\*\*Description\*\*:** Establishes a WebSocket connection to receive real-time notifications. New notifications will be pushed to the client as they are created, without requiring polling.

### ### 4.7 Send Email Notification

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/email`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `POST`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

```

Content-Type: application/json

Authorization: Bearer {token}

```

**\*\*Request Body Schema\*\*:**

```json

{

"toEmail": "recipient@example.com",

"subject": "Your FoodShare donation has been matched",

"htmlBody": "<div><h1>Donation Matched!</h1><p>Your donation has been matched with Food Rescue Initiative.</p></div>",

"templateParams": {

"donorName": "John Smith",

"recipientName": "Food Rescue Initiative"

}

}

```

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

```json

```
{
  "success": true,
  "messageId": "email-1713171000000",
  "status": 200
}
` ` `
```

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required (Admin or System role)

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `200 OK` : Email sent successfully
- `400 Bad Request` : Invalid input data
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have permission to send emails
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Sends an email notification to a specified recipient. This endpoint is typically used by the system for sending transactional emails like donation matches, expiration alerts, etc.

### ### 4.8 Send System Notification

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/system`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `POST`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

` ` `

Content-Type: application/json

Authorization: Bearer {token}

` ` `

**\*\*Request Body Schema\*\*:**

```
```json
{
  "title": "Scheduled Maintenance",
  "message": "FoodShare will be undergoing scheduled maintenance on April 20th from 2-4 AM EST.",
  "type": "info",
  "roles": ["admin", "donor", "ngo", "beneficiary"]
}
```
```

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

```
```json
{
  "success": true,
  "notificationId": "sys123",
  "recipientCount": 248,
  "createdAt": "2025-04-14T15:30:00Z"
}
```
```

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required (Admin role only)

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `201 Created` : System notification sent successfully
- `400 Bad Request` : Invalid input data
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have admin role
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Creates and sends a system-wide notification to all users or to users with specific roles. This is used for announcements, alerts, and other system-wide communications.

### ### 4.9 Get System Notifications

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/system`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `GET`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

` ` `

Authorization: Bearer {token}

` ` `

**\*\*Request Parameters\*\*:**

- `limit` (optional): Maximum number of notifications to return (default: 20)
- `offset` (optional): Number of notifications to skip (default: 0)
- `type` (optional): Filter by notification type (info, warning, error)

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

` `` `json

[

{

  "id": "sys123",

  "title": "Scheduled Maintenance",

  "message": "FoodShare will be undergoing scheduled maintenance on April 20th from 2-4 AM EST.",

  "type": "info",

  "createdAt": "2025-04-14T15:30:00Z",

  "targetRoles": ["admin", "donor", "ngo", "beneficiary"],

  "createdBy": "admin",

  "priority": "medium"

},

```
{
  "id": "sys122",
  "title": "Multiple Food Donations Approaching Expiration",
  "message": "5 donations are expiring in the next 3 hours.",
  "type": "warning",
  "createdAt": "2025-04-14T14:00:00Z",
  "targetRoles": ["admin"],
  "priority": "high"
}
]
` ``
```

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required (Admin role only)

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `200 OK` : Successful request
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have admin role
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Retrieves a list of system notifications for admin users to monitor system alerts and announcements.

### ### 4.10 Notify Donation Match

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/donation-match`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `POST`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

` ``

Content-Type: application/json

Authorization: Bearer {token}

```

**\*\*Request Body Schema\*\*:**

```json

```
{
  "donorId": "u12345",
  "recipientId": "u67890",
  "donationDetails": {
    "id": "don123",
    "title": "Fresh Vegetables Bundle",
    "quantity": "10 kg",
    "expiresAt": "2025-04-18T15:30:00Z",
    "location": "123 Main St, Anytown"
  }
}
```

}

```

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

```json

```
{
  "success": true,
  "notifications": [
    {
      "type": "in-app",
      "userId": "u12345",
      "notificationId": "not789",
      "success": true
    },
    {
```

{

```

    "type": "in-app",
    "userId": "u67890",
    "notificationId": "not790",
    "success": true
  },
  {
    "type": "email",
    "recipient": "donor@example.com",
    "success": true,
    "messageId": "email-1713171000000"
  }
]
}
` ``

```

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required (Admin or System role)

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `200 OK` : Notifications sent successfully
- `400 Bad Request` : Invalid input data
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have permission
- `404 Not Found` : Donor or recipient not found
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Sends notifications to both donor and recipient when a donation is matched. This includes both in-app notifications and email notifications if email addresses are available.

### ### 4.11 Notify Donation Expiration

**\*\*Endpoint URL\*\*:** `/api/notifications/donation-expiration`

**\*\*HTTP Method\*\*:** `POST`

**\*\*Request Headers\*\*:**

` ``

Content-Type: application/json

Authorization: Bearer {token}

` ``

**\*\*Request Body Schema\*\*:**

` `` json

{

  "donationId": "don123",

  "expirationDate": "2025-04-18T15:30:00Z"

}

` ``

**\*\*Response Body Schema\*\*:**

` `` json

{

  "success": true,

  "notified": true,

  "hoursLeft": 2,

  "notifications": [

    {

      "type": "in-app",

      "userId": "u12345",

      "notificationId": "not791",

      "success": true

    },

    {



```

    "type": "in-app",
    "userId": "admin",
    "notificationId": "not792",
    "success": true
  },
  {
    "type": "email",
    "recipient": "donor@example.com",
    "success": true,
    "messageId": "email-1713171000001"
  }
]
}
` ``

```

**\*\*Authentication Requirements\*\*:** JWT Token Required (Admin or System role)

**\*\*Status Codes and Messages\*\*:**

- `200 OK` : Process completed successfully (may not have sent notifications if not within threshold)
- `400 Bad Request` : Invalid input data
- `401 Unauthorized` : Invalid or missing token
- `403 Forbidden` : User doesn't have permission
- `404 Not Found` : Donation not found
- `500 Internal Server Error` : Server error

**\*\*Description\*\*:** Checks if a donation is nearing expiration and sends notifications to relevant parties if it is within the notification threshold (e.g., 3 hours before expiration). Notifications are sent to the donor and to admins.

This completes the documentation for the Notification APIs in the FoodShare application, which allow users to receive real-time updates about their donations, matches, and other important events.