

Opposition to the Improving Child Nutrition and Education Act of 2016 (H.R. 5003)

Dear Chairman Kline, Ranking Member Scott, Subcommittee Chairman Rokita, and Subcommittee Ranking Member Fudge:

The undersigned organizations write to express our opposition to the “Improving Child Nutrition and Education Act of 2016” (H.R. 5003). The bill contains numerous provisions that would roll back years of progress. Large numbers of low-income children would no longer be able to access the nutritious meals they need for their health and learning, and the meals children still obtain would be less healthy.

The bill would significantly weaken the Community Eligibility Provision, which is a successful federal option in its second year of nationwide implementation that reduces administrative burden and increases school lunch and breakfast access in high-poverty schools. The bill proposes to reduce substantially the number of high-poverty schools that are eligible to implement community eligibility. It would end the program for approximately 7,000 of the 18,000 schools currently participating, and 11,000 additional high-poverty schools not yet participating but eligible under current law, would lose the option to implement community eligibility in future years.

Additionally, the bill dramatically increases school meal application verification requirements in ways that inevitably would cause eligible students to lose access to free or reduced-price school meals. Under the proposal, the number of household applications to be verified would increase significantly, creating unnecessary paperwork burdens for schools and families. A disproportionate number of the most vulnerable families, such as those who are homeless, migrant, immigrant or have limited English proficiency, would be particularly likely to fall through the cracks in the process and lose access to school meals even though they are eligible.

The bill would weaken evidence-based school nutrition standards for meals, as well as for snacks and beverages (Smart Snacks). Weakening the standards would harm children’s health. Nearly all participating school districts (98.5 percent) are meeting the updated school lunch nutrition standards, providing mostly whole grains, moderate salt, more fruits and vegetables, and healthier snacks and beverages. Harvard University researchers recently concluded that the improvements in nutrition standards for school meals, snacks, and beverages are “one of the most important national obesity prevention policy achievements in recent decades.” These improvements are estimated to prevent more than two million cases of childhood obesity and save up to \$792 million in health-care related costs over 10 years.

The bill also fails to meet the needs of children in child care and out-of-school time settings and inadequately invests in summer food and child care nutrition. For children in child care, the bill does not reflect the important provision included in the Senate child nutrition bill that allows child care centers and homes the option of serving an additional snack to children in care for long hours. The bill also does not contain any of the Senate provisions in the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program to extend certification of infants to two years and extend enrollment for children until their sixth birthday. Instead the bill speeds up the timeline for a study on adjunctive eligibility, weakens cost-saving measures, and continues to undermine the science-based WIC food packages.

We oppose the Improving Child Nutrition and Education Act in its current form as it would reduce access to child nutrition programs, increase food insecurity among children, and harm children’s nutrition and health, contributing to the very problems that the programs are designed to address and we urge the Congress to reconsider these provisions.

Signatories as of 5/17/16 at 12pm EST

NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

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| 9to5, National Association of Working Women | Milwaukee | WI |
| Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics | Washington | DC |
| Action for Healthy Kids | Chicago | IL |
| Advocates for Better Children's Diets | Washington | DC |
| Afterschool Alliance | Washington | DC |
| Alliance for Strong Families and Communities | Washington | DC |
| American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network | Washington | DC |
| American College of Preventive Medicine | Washington | DC |
| American Diabetes Association | Alexandria | VA |
| American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) | Washington | DC |
| American Federation of Teachers | Washington | DC |
| American Heart Association | Washington | DC |
| American Institute for Cancer Research | Washington | DC |
| American Psychological Association | Washington | DC |
| American Public Health Association | Washington | DC |
| American School Health Association | McLean | VA |
| American Society for Nutrition | Rockville | MD |
| Americans for Democratic Action (ADA) | Washington | DC |
| Appetite For Change | Minneapolis | MN |
| Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs | Washington | DC |
| Association of State Public Health Nutritionists (ASPHN) | Johnstown | PA |
| Bread for the World | Washington | DC |
| Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood | Boston | MA |
| Campaign to End Obesity Action Fund | Washington | DC |
| Center for Communications, Health & the Environment (CECHE) | Washington | DC |
| Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP) | Washington | DC |
| Center for Science in the Public Interest | Washington | DC |
| ChangeLab Solutions | Oakland | CA |
| Child Care Aware of America | Arlington | VA |
| Child Welfare League of America | Washington | DC |
| Children's Defense Fund | Washington | DC |
| Children's Dental Health Project | Washington | DC |
| Children's Environmental Health Network | Washington | DC |
| Children's HealthWatch | Boston | MA |
| Children's Law Center | Washington | DC |
| Children's Leadership Council | Washington | DC |
| Coalition on Human Needs | Washington | DC |

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| Collaborative Center for Justice | Hartford | CT |
| Concerned Black Men National | Washington | DC |
| Congressional Hunger Center | Washington | DC |
| Consumer Federation of America | Washington | DC |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church in America | Washington | DC |
| Every Child Matters | Washington | DC |
| Fair Food Network | Ann Arbor | MI |
| Fair Share | Washington | DC |
| First Focus Campaign for Children | Washington | DC |
| FOCUS North America | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Food & Water Watch | Washington | DC |
| Food Policy Action | Washington | DC |
| Food Rescue, Inc. | Noblesville | IN |
| Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) | Washington | DC |
| FoodCorps | Portland | OR |
| FRAMAX | Modesto | CA |
| Hunger Free America | New York | NY |
| InterAmerican Heart Foundation, Inc. | Dallas | TX |
| International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers (IFPTE) | Washington | DC |
| Islamic Relief USA | Alexandria | VA |
| League of United Latin American Citizens | Washington | DC |
| Martha's Table | Washington | DC |
| MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger | Los Angeles | CA |
| Migrant Legal Action Program | Washington | DC |
| Minute Menu Systems, LLC | Richardson | TX |
| MomsRising | Stanford | CA |
| National Advance Training Center | Dayton | OH |
| National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd | Silver Spring | MD |
| National Association for Bilingual Education | Wheaton | MD |
| National Association for Family Child Care | Salt Lake City | UT |
| National Association for the Education of Young Children | Washington | DC |
| National Association of School Nurses | Silver Spring | MD |
| National Association of Secondary School Principals | Reston | VA |
| National Association of Social Workers | Washington | DC |
| National Black Nurses Association | Silver Spring | MD |
| National Center for Health Research | Washington | DC |
| National Council of La Raza (NCLR) | Washington | DC |
| National Diaper Bank Network | New Haven | CT |

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| National Farm to School Network | Washington | DC |
| National Farmers Union | Washington | DC |
| National Immigration Law Center | Washington | DC |
| National Latino Farmers & Ranchers Trade Association | Washington | DC |
| National Network of Public Health Institutes | Washington | DC |
| National PTA | Alexandria | VA |
| National Recreation and Park Association | Washington | DC |
| National Summer Learning Association | Baltimore | MD |
| National Urban League | New York | NY |
| National WIC Association | Washington | DC |
| National Women's Law Center | Washington | DC |
| Nemours Children's Health System | Orlando | FL |
| NETWORK, A National Catholic Social Justice Lobby | Washington | DC |
| People's Action Institute | Washington | DC |
| Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) | Washington | DC |
| Prevention Institute | Oakland | CA |
| Public Advocacy for Kids | Washington | DC |
| Public Health Institute | Washington | DC |
| RESULTS | Washington | DC |
| School Social Work Association of America | Washington | DC |
| Service Employees International Union (SEIU) | Washington | DC |
| SHAPE America | Reston | VA |
| Slow Food USA | Brooklyn | NY |
| Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior | Indianapolis | IN |
| Society for Public Health Education | Washington | DC |
| The Association of Jewish Family & Children's Agencies | Washington | DC |
| The Jewish Federations of North America | Washington | DC |
| The National CACFP Forum | Washington | DC |
| The Pew Charitable Trusts | Washington | DC |
| The Salvation Army | Alexandria | VA |
| Tourette Association of America | Washington | DC |
| Trust for America's Health | Washington | DC |
| UAW International Union | Washington | DC |
| UConn Rudd Center for Food Policy and Obesity | Hartford | CT |
| Union for Reform Judaism | Washington | DC |
| Union of Concerned Scientists | Washington | DC |
| United Fresh Produce Association | Washington | DC |
| United States Breastfeeding Committee | Chicago | IL |
| URI Feinstein Center for a Hunger Free America | Kingston | RI |

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| WhyHunger | New York | NY |
| Witnesses to Hunger | Philadelphia | PA |
| ZERO to THREE | Washington | DC |

ALASKA

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| Alaska Afterschool Network | Anchorage | AK |
| Alaska Food Coalition | Anchorage | AK |
| Alaska Food Policy Council | Anchorage | AK |
| Alaska Public Health Association | Anchorage | AK |
| Boys & Girls Club of Noorvik, Alaska | Noorvik | AK |
| Food Bank of Alaska | Anchorage | AK |
| Kenai Peninsula Food Bank | Soldotna | AK |
| Maniilaq WIC Program | Kotzebue | AK |
| Nenana Tortella Council on Aging, Inc | Nenana | AK |
| Northside Seventh Church | Anchorage | AK |
| The Children's Lunchbox | Anchorage | AK |
| Ugashik Wild Salmon Co. | King Salmon | AK |
| Upper Susitna Food Pantry | Talkeetna | AK |

ARIZONA

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| Arizona Public Health Association | Phoenix | AZ |
| Association for Supportive Child Care | Tempe | AZ |
| Association of Arizona Food Banks | Phoenix | AZ |
| Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona | Tucson | AZ |
| Life Sharing Center, Inc. | Tuba City | AZ |
| Pinnacle Prevention | Chandler | AZ |
| St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance | Phoenix | AZ |

ARKANSAS

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| Arkansas Public Health Association | Little Rock | AR |
| Grace United Methodist Food Pantry | Rogers | AR |

CALIFORNIA

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| Alameda County Community Food Bank | Oakland | CA |
| BAME Community Development Corporation | San Diego | CA |
| California Association of Food Banks | Oakland | CA |
| California Center for Public Health Advocacy | Davis | CA |
| California Food Policy Advocates | Oakland | CA |
| California Project LEAN | Sacramento | CA |
| California Public Health Association-North | Albany | CA |
| Central Valley Children's Services Network | Fresno | CA |

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| Child Care Food Program Roundtable | Shingle Springs | CA |
| Child Development Associates, Nutrition Program | Bonita | CA |
| Child Nutrition Program of Southern California | La Mesa | CA |
| Clinica Sierra Vista | Bakersfield | CA |
| Communities, Adolescents, Nutrition, Fitness (CANFIT) | Berkeley | CA |
| Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc. | San Luis Obispo | CA |
| Community Child Care Council (4Cs) of Alameda County | Hayward | CA |
| Contra Costa Child Care Council | Concord | CA |
| Family Resource and Referral Center | Stockton | CA |
| Food Bank Coalition of San Luis Obispo County | Paso Robles | CA |
| Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano | Concord | CA |
| Food for People, the Food Bank for Humboldt County | Eureka | CA |
| FoodLink for Tulare County | Visalia | CA |
| Franciscans for Justice | Sacramento | CA |
| Fresno Metro Ministry | Fresno | CA |
| Gavilan College CalWORKs | Hollister | CA |
| Heaven's Windows | Spring Valley | CA |
| Humboldt State University Oh SNAP! Campus Food Programs | Arcata | CA |
| Hunger Action LA | Los Angeles | CA |
| Imperial Valley Food Bank | El Centro | CA |
| International Institute of Los Angeles | Los Angeles | CA |
| Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles | Los Angeles | CA |
| Jewish Family Service of San Diego | San Diego | CA |
| Locally Delicious, Inc. | Arcata | CA |
| Los Angeles Regional Food Bank | Los Angeles | CA |
| Mendocino County Food Policy Council | Ukiah | CA |
| Novato Unified School District | Novato | CA |
| Orange Children & Parents Together, Inc. | Orange | CA |
| Orange County Food Access Coalition | Santa Ana | CA |
| Oxnard-Pathway to Educated Nutrition, Inc. | Oxnard | CA |
| Redwood Empire Food Bank | Santa Rosa | CA |
| Sacramento Food Policy Council | Sacramento | CA |
| San Diego Hunger Coalition | San Diego | CA |
| San Francisco Senior and Disability Action | San Francisco | CA |
| Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County | Irvine | CA |
| Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties | San Jose | CA |
| Second Harvest Food Bank Santa Cruz County | Watsonville | CA |

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| SF-Marín Food Bank | San Francisco | CA |
| Slow Food California | Sacramento | CA |
| Slow Food Sacramento | Sacramento | CA |
| Southern California Public Health Association | Los Angeles | CA |
| St. Mary's Center | Oakland | CA |
| Sunnyvale Community Services | Sunnyvale | CA |
| Teach Learn Change | Inglewood | CA |
| The Occupational Training Institute | Cupertino | CA |
| Tri Valley Haven | Livermore | CA |
| Urban & Environmental Policy Institute, Occidental College | Los Angeles | CA |

COLORADO

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| LiveWell Colorado | Denver | CO |
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CONNECTICUT

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| Collaborative Center for Justice | Hartford | CT |
| Connecticut Alliance for Basic Human Needs | Hartford | CT |
| Corazones Unidos Siempre Chi Upsilon Sigma | | |
| National Latin Sorority | Hartford | CT |
| End Hunger Connecticut! | Hartford | CT |
| Greater Hartford Legal Aid | Hartford | CT |
| Grow Hartford Youth Program | Hartford | CT |
| Hartford Food System, Inc. | Hartford | CT |
| Hispanic Health Council | Hartford | CT |
| Local Food Dude, LLC | Torrington | CT |
| New Milford Social Services | New Milford | CT |
| Town of Monroe Community and Social Services | Monroe | CT |

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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| Bread for the City | Washington | DC |
| Capital Area Food Bank | Washington | DC |
| DC Central Kitchen | Washington | DC |
| DC Greens | Washington | DC |
| Jubilee Housing | Washington | DC |
| Martha's Table | Washington | DC |

FLORIDA

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| Broward Meals on Wheels | Plantation | FL |
| End Childhood Hunger | Plantation | FL |
| Farmworker Association of Florida, Inc. | Apopka | FL |

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| Feeding South Florida | Pembroke Park | FL |
| Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc. | Boca Raton | FL |
| Florida Impact | Tallahassee | FL |
| Heart of Florida United Way | Orlando | FL |
| INTERact to End Hunger | New Smyrna Beach | FL |
| Pax Christ Florida | St. Augustine | FL |
| Rick's Custom Painting | Nokomis | FL |
| Treasure Coast Food Bank | Fort Pierce | FL |
| United Way of Florida | Tallahassee | FL |
| United Way Suncoast | Tampa | FL |

GEORGIA

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| Georgia Budget and Policy Institute | Atlanta | GA |
| Georgia Organics | Atlanta | GA |
| Georgia Public Health Association | Atlanta | GA |
| Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network | Atlanta | GA |
| The Common Market | Atlanta | GA |
| TKT Family Resources, Inc. | Lawrenceville | GA |
| Voices for Georgia's Children | Atlanta | GA |

HAWAII

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| The Kohala Center | Kamuela | HI |
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IDAHO

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| Blaine County Hunger Coalition | Bellevue | ID |
| Boys & Girls Clubs of Ada County | Garden City | ID |
| Idaho Farmers Market Association | Boise | ID |
| Idaho Hunger Relief Task Force | Boise | ID |
| Idaho Interfaith Roundtable Against Hunger | Boise | ID |
| Idaho Public Health Association | Boise | ID |

ILLINOIS

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| Cambria Food Pantry | Cambria | IL |
| Christ United MB Church | East St. Louis | IL |
| Community Care Center, Inc. | Granite City | IL |
| Cubbies Christian Daycare | Wadsworth | IL |
| EverThrive Illinois | Chicago | IL |
| Healthy Schools Campaign | Chicago | IL |
| HEAR US Inc. | Naperville | IL |
| Illinois Farm to School Network | Chicago | IL |
| Illinois Hunger Coalition | Chicago | IL |

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| Illinois Public Health Association | Springfield | IL |
| Least Of The Brethren Ministry | Pinckneyville | IL |
| Lighthouse Harvest Mission | Collinsville | IL |
| MANNA Food Pantry | Fairview Heights | IL |
| New Tabernacle Food Pantry | Chicago | IL |
| Oak Park River Forest Food Pantry | Oak Park | IL |
| Ounce of Prevention Fund | Chicago | IL |
| Provincial Council of Clerics of St. Viator (Viatorians) | Chicago | IL |
| Riverbend Community Food Pantry | Alton | IL |
| Rock Island Regional Office of Education #49 | Moline | IL |
| Tyrone Echols Senior Center | Venice | IL |

INDIANA

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| Feeding Indiana's Hungry | Indianapolis | IN |
| Food Bank of Northern Indiana | South Bend | IN |
| Food Bank of Northwest Indiana | Gary | IN |
| Indiana Institute for Working Families | Indianapolis | IN |
| Indiana Rural Health Association | Linton | IN |
| Joyce Network Inc. | Fountaintown | IN |
| Jump IN for Healthy Kids | Indianapolis | IN |
| Kim's Child Care | Columbus | IN |
| Marion County Commission on Youth, Inc. | Indianapolis | IN |
| Mother Hubbard's Cupboard | Bloomington | IN |
| Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana | Muncie | IN |
| Tri-State Food Bank | Evansville | IN |

IOWA

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| Coalition in Support of Hungry Children | Des Moines | IA |
| Darrell E. Davis Adult Day Center | Independence | IA |
| Iowa Family Child Care Association | Decorah | IA |
| Iowa Public Health Association | Des Moines | IA |
| Precious People Learning Center | Lenox | IA |
| Reach and Teach | Cedar Rapids | IA |

KANSAS

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| Child Care Providers Coalition of Kansas CCPC | Emporia | KS |
| Day Care Connection | Lenexa | KS |
| Harvesters--The Community Food Network | Topeka | KS |
| JC Family Home Association | Junction City | KS |
| Kansas Appleseed Center for Law and Justice | Lawrence | KS |
| Kansas Public Health Association | Mission | KS |

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| St. Mary's Food Pantry | St. Mary's | KS |
| Sunshine Connections, Inc. | Hays | KS |
| The Sand Box Day Care | Leavenworth | KS |

KENTUCKY

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| God's Pantry Food Bank | Lexington | KY |
| Kentucky Association of Food Banks | Berea | KY |
| Homeless & Housing Coalition of Kentucky | Frankfort | KY |

LOUISIANA

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| Jesuit Social Research Institute | New Orleans | LA |
| Louisiana Food Bank Association | Baton Rouge | LA |
| Louisiana Public Health Association | Baton Rouge | LA |

MAINE

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| Bread For The World Maine | Brunswick | ME |
| Catholic Charities, CACFP | Auburn | ME |
| Good Shepherd Food Bank | Auburn | ME |
| Maine Public Health Association | Augusta | ME |
| Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Program | Brunswick | ME |

MARYLAND

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| Advocacy and Training Center | Cumberland | MD |
| Benedictine Sisters of Baltimore | Lutherville | MD |
| Economic Equality Coalition and Delta Caucus | Waldorf | MD |
| Family League of Baltimore | Baltimore | MD |
| Healthy School Food Maryland | Montgomery | MD |
| Healthy Teen Network | Baltimore | MD |
| Maryland Farmers Market Association | Baltimore | MD |
| Maryland Hunger Solutions | Baltimore | MD |
| Public Justice Center | Baltimore | MD |
| Real Food For Kids - Montgomery | Montgomery | MD |
| Sendejo-Santomartino Educational Organization | Wheaton | MD |
| The Baltimore Partnership to End Childhood Hunger | Baltimore | MD |
| Vandana's Nest A Family Child Care | Burtonsville | MD |

MASSACHUSETTS

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| Busy Bees Preschool Center, Inc. | Fitchburg | MA |
| Child Tools Consulting | Fitchburg | MA |
| Mass Law Reform Institute | Boston | MA |
| Massachusetts Public Health Association | Boston | MA |

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| Project Bread-The Walk for Hunger | East Boston | MA |
| Public Health Advocacy Institute | Boston | MA |
| Rachel's Table | Worcester | MA |
| RavenStar Arts | Jamaica Plain | MA |
| The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts | Hatfield | MA |
| The Greater Boston Food Bank | Boston | MA |
| Wayne Purnell Organization Consulting | Medfield | MA |
| Yours for Children, Inc. | Auburn | MA |

MICHIGAN

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| Center for Civil Justice | Flint | MI |
| Detroit RESULTS | Westland | MI |
| Faith in Action, Inc. | Chelsea and Dexter | MI |
| Food Gatherers | Ann Arbor | MI |
| Groundcover News | Ann Arbor | MI |
| Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes | Kalamazoo | MI |
| Mystic Lake YMCA Camp | Lake | MI |
| The ChildMinder Child Care | Waterford | MI |

MINNESOTA

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| Appetite For Change | Minneapolis | MN |
| Child Care Aware | Westbrook | MN |
| Church of St. Andrew | Fairfax | MN |
| First Steps | Ersline | MN |
| Hunger Solutions Minnesota | St. Paul | MN |
| Minneapolis Public Schools Culinary and Nutrition Services | Minneapolis | MN |
| Minnesota Child Care Association | St. Paul | MN |
| Minnesota Legal Aid | Minneapolis | MN |
| Minnesota Public Health Association | Minneapolis | MN |
| MLFCCA | Young America | MN |
| Morrison County Public Health | Little Falls | MN |
| New Horizon Academy | Plymouth | MN |
| Tri-Community Food Shelf | Cromwell | MN |
| Youthprise | Minneapolis | MN |

MISSISSIPPI

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| Mississippi Low Income Child Care Initiative | Biloxi | MS |
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MISSOURI

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| All Nations Resource Center-STLMO | Berkeley | MO |
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| Bismarck Church of God Food Pantry | Bismarck | MO |
| Bread for Life Food Pantry | Troy | MO |
| Christ Pilgrim Rest Food Pantry | St. Louis | MO |
| City Seniors, Inc. | St. Louis | MO |
| Empower Missouri | Jefferson City | MO |
| Estelle Ministries Outreach | St. Louis | MO |
| Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry | St. Louis | MO |
| Helping Hands Food Pantry | Black Jack | MO |
| Hillsboro Food Pantry | Hillsboro | MO |
| Hope Center Of Pike County | Bowling Green | MO |
| Humansville United Methodist Church | Humansville | MO |
| Isaiah 58 Ministries | St. Louis | MO |
| Jewish Community Relations Council of St. Louis | St. Louis | MO |
| Jewish Family & Children's Service | St. Louis | MO |
| Joint Neighborhood Ministry | St. Louis | MO |
| Keys To Life T.C.C. | St. Louis | MO |
| Living Faith Food Pantry | Festus | MO |
| Love and Care Youth Center | St. Louis | MO |
| Operation Food Search | St. Louis | MO |
| Room at the Inn | Bridgeton | MO |
| Rural Parish Workers of Christ the King | Cadet | MO |
| Sierra Club | St. Peters | MO |
| St. Louis Area Foodbank | Bridgeton | MO |
| St. Louis Bibleway Church | St. Louis | MO |
| Stafford Foundation | Maryland Heights | MO |
| Synergy Services, Inc. | Parkville | MO |
| The Jeremiah Call Christ Ministry | St. Louis | MO |
| Zion Lutheran Church Food Pantry | St. Louis | MO |

MONTANA

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| Billings Public School, BackPack Meals and Teen Pantry Programs | Billings | MT |
| Child Care Resources | Missoula | MT |
| Flathead Food Bank | Kalispell | MT |
| Montana Food Bank Network | Missoula | MT |
| Montana Food Security Council | Montana | MT |
| Montana Public Health Association | Choteau | MT |
| RiverStone Health | Billings | MT |
| Teton County Food Pantry | Choteau | MT |

NEBRASKA

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| Food Bank of Lincoln | Lincoln | NE |
| Nebraska Appleseed | Lincoln | NE |
| Step Ahead Early Childhood Program | Fairbury | NE |
| Voices for Children in Nebraska | Omaha | NE |

NEVADA

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| Food Bank of Northern Nevada | McCarren | NV |
| Nevada Public Health Association | Reno | NV |

NEW HAMPSHIRE

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| New Hampshire Public Health Association | Concord | NH |
| NH Citizens Alliance | Concord | NH |
| RESULTS Seacoast NH/ME Chapter | Portsmouth | NH |

NEW JERSEY

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| Casa Freehold | Freehold | NJ |
| Community FoodBank of New Jersey | Hillside | NJ |
| CUMAC | Paterson | NJ |
| Galloway Summer Food and Fun | Galloway | NJ |
| Interfaith Food Pantry | Morris Plains | NJ |
| Is It Good for Children LLC | Monroe Township | NJ |
| Mercer Street Friends Food Bank | Ewing | NJ |
| Mi Casita Day Care Center, Inc. | Camden | NJ |
| New Jersey Anti-Hunger Coalition | Trenton | NJ |
| New Jersey Public Health Association | West Caldwell | NJ |
| RESULTS Bernardsville | Bernardsville | NJ |
| The Church of the Good Shepherd | Fort Lee | NJ |

NEW MEXICO

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| Farm to Table, Inc. - NM | Santa Fe | NM |
| New Mexico Appleseed | Albuquerque | NM |
| New Mexico Food & Agriculture Policy Council | Santa Fe | NM |
| New Mexico Public Health Association | Albuquerque | NM |
| Prosperity Works | Albuquerque | NM |
| Senior Active Gardening Experiment | Thoreau | NM |
| The Food Depot | Santa Fe | NM |
| YWCA Middle Rio Grande | Albuquerque | NM |

NEW YORK

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| American Association of University Women of New York State | Potsdam | NY |
| Beekmantown CSD | West Chazy | NY |
| Bronx Health REACH | New York | NY |
| Bronxworks | Bronx | NY |
| Centro Corazon de Maria | Hampton Bays | NY |
| Child Care Council of Nassau, Inc. | Garden City | NY |
| Child Care Council, Inc. | Rochester | NY |
| Child Care Resources of Rockland | Spring Valley | NY |
| Christ Church U.C.C. | Bronx | NY |
| Church Women United in New York State | Rochester | NY |
| City Harvest | New York | NY |
| Coalition for Healthy School Food | New York | NY |
| Community Education Council, District 9, Bronx | Bronx | NY |
| Community Food Advocates | New York | NY |
| CUNY Urban Food Policy Institute | New York | NY |
| Duchess Outreach, Inc. | Poughkeepsie | NY |
| Eastside WIC Program | New York | NY |
| Empire Justice Center | Central Islip, Long Island | NY |
| Every Child Matters Coalition | Elmira | NY |
| Fit 4 Life NYC | Brooklyn | NY |
| FOCUS Churches of Albany, Inc. | Albany | NY |
| Food Bank For New York City | New York | NY |
| Food Bank of Central New York | Syracuse | NY |
| Food Bank of the Southern Tier | Elmira | NY |
| GardenShare | Canton | NY |
| Genesee Dietetic Association | Rochester | NY |
| Habitots Preschool and Child Care Center | Middle Island | NY |
| Hunger Action Network of New York State | Albany | NY |
| Hunger Solutions New York | Albany | NY |
| IntegrateNYC4me | New York | NY |
| James Beard Foundation | New York | NY |
| Jewish Labor Committee | New York | NY |
| Just Food | New York | NY |
| Laurie M. Tisch Center for Food, Education & Policy, Teachers College Columbia University | New York | NY |
| Long Island Cares, Inc.-The Harry Chapin Food Bank | Hauppauge | NY |
| Long Island Coalition for the Homeless | Amityville | NY |
| Lowville Food Pantry, Inc. | Lowville | NY |
| Neighbors Together | Brooklyn | NY |
| North Country Kids Inc. | Plattsburgh | NY |

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| NYC4CNR | New York | NY |
| NYS Public Health Association | Albany | NY |
| POWER OF 3 | Albany | NY |
| PS 311 | Bronx | NY |
| Public Health Association of NYC | New York | NY |
| Riverhead Central School District | Riverhead | NY |
| Salvation Army | Huntington | NY |
| Social Justice Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Binghamton, NY | Binghamton | NY |
| St. Raphael Parish Social Ministry | East Meadow | NY |
| The Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine | New York | NY |
| Ticonderoga Central School District | Ticonderoga | NY |
| Women's Housing and Economic Development Corporation | Bronx | NY |

NORTH CAROLINA

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| Congregational Church of Pinehurst Mission Peace and Justice | Pinehurst | NC |
| End Hunger Durham | Durham | NC |
| Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina | Raleigh | NC |
| Holly Springs Food Cupboard | Holly Springs | NC |
| Inter-Faith Food Shuttle | Raleigh | NC |
| Joanne Rinker | Waynesville | NC |
| NC Public Health Association | Raleigh | NC |

NORTH DAKOTA

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| Ehrens Consulting | Bismarck | ND |
| North Dakota Public Health Association | Fargo | ND |

OHIO

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| 4C for Children | Cincinnati | OH |
| Action for Children | Columbus | OH |
| Akron Bible Church/Hope Cafe | Akron | OH |
| Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank | Akron | OH |
| Bellevue Fish and Loaves | Bellevue | OH |
| Breaking Bread Community Meal | St. Mary's | OH |
| Camp Chabad/ Green Road Synagogue | Beachwood | OH |
| Canal Fulton Community Cupboard | Canal Fulton | OH |
| Christian Pentecostal Worship Center | Germantown | OH |
| Columbus Public Health | Columbus | OH |
| Crossroads United Methodist Church | Canton | OH |

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| Dakota Center, Inc. | Dayton | OH |
| Faith Community Food Pantry | West Chester | OH |
| Feed Your Neighbor, Toledo, Ohio | Toledo | OH |
| Freestore Foodbank | Cincinnati | OH |
| Gallia County Outreach Center | Gallipolis | OH |
| Greater Cleveland Food Bank | Cleveland | OH |
| Helping All Students to Independence (H.A.S.I.) | Cleveland | OH |
| Karpos Ministry, St. Mary church | Painesville | OH |
| Kings Local Food Pantry | South Lebanon | OH |
| Little Dreamers Big Believers Early Learning | Cincinnati | OH |
| Local Matters | Columbus | OH |
| Lorain Christian Temple Disciples of Christ | Lorain | OH |
| May Dugan Center | Cleveland | OH |
| Mid-Ohio Foodbank | Grove City | OH |
| Needy Basket of Southern Miami County, Inc. | Tipp City | OH |
| Njoy! Njoy!, Inc. | Dayton | OH |
| Northeast Churches Emergency Center | Dayton | OH |
| Northwest Agape Pantry | Dayton | OH |
| Ohio Association of Foodbanks | Columbus | OH |
| Ohio Council of Churches | Columbus | OH |
| Ohio Public Health Association | Columbus | OH |
| On Purpose Girls Mentoring | Dayton | OH |
| Plymouth Shiloh Food Pantry | Shiloh | OH |
| RESULTS Columbus | Columbus | OH |
| Saint Peter Food Pantry | Huber Heights | OH |
| Second Harvest Food Bank of North Central Ohio | Lorain | OH |
| Shared Harvest Foodbank | Fairfield | OH |
| St. John's Episcopal Church | Columbus | OH |
| The Alliance of Churches, Inc. | Alliance | OH |
| The Community Action Program Corporation of Washington Morgan Counties, Ohio | Marietta | OH |
| The Farthing Family | Columbus | OH |
| The Foodbank, Inc. | Dayton | OH |
| Toledo Area Jobs with Justice & Interfaith Worker Justice Coalition | Toledo | OH |
| Trinity Faith Tabernacle Neighborhood Outreach | Toledo | OH |
| TS Cunningham Enterprises | Columbus | OH |
| United Way of Hocking County | Logan | OH |
| Voices for Ohio's Children | Columbus | OH |
| West Ohio Food Bank | Lima | OH |
| Westland Ecumenical Community Food Pantry | Columbus | OH |

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| Willard Food Pantry | Willard | OH |
| With God Grace | Dayton | OH |

OKLAHOMA

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| Caring Community Friends | Sapulpa | OK |
| Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma | Tulsa | OK |
| High Flight Arts and Letters | Claremore | OK |
| Oklahoma Policy Institute | Tulsa | OK |
| Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma | Oklahoma City | OK |
| TDC Kids, Inc. | Weatherford | OK |

OREGON

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| FoodCorps | Portland | OR |
| Newman United Methodist Women | Grants Pass | OR |
| Oregon Farm to School and School Garden Network | Eugene | OR |
| Oregon Food Bank | Portland | OR |
| Oregon Public Health Association | Portland | OR |
| Partners for a Hunger-Free Oregon | Portland | OR |
| Sheridan School District 48J | Sheridan | OR |

PENNSYLVANIA

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| 52nd Street Market | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Allies for Children | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Arts & Education at the Hoyt | New Castle | PA |
| Association of Pittsburgh Priests | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Autism Connection of PA | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Beaver County Association for the Blind | Beaver Falls | PA |
| Bethany Baptist Church Food Pantry | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Bhutanese Community Association of Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Brashear Association, Incorporated | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Central Baptist Church | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Central Pennsylvania Food Bank | Harrisburg | PA |
| Christ United Methodist Church | Bethel Park | PA |
| Christian Cupboard of Girard/Lake City, PA | Girard | PA |
| Commission on Economic Opportunity | Wilkes-Barre | PA |
| Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley | Bethlehem | PA |
| Community Food Warehouse of Mercer County | Sharon | PA |
| Dinette | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Duquesne Family Center | Duquesne | PA |
| Essential Energy | Ambridge | PA |
| Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc. | Uniontown | PA |

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| Feeding Pennsylvania | Harrisburg | PA |
| Food for Families | Johnstown | PA |
| Food Pantry | Verona | PA |
| Good Samaritan Food Pantry Port Vue UMC | McKeesport | PA |
| Graymatters Consulting | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger | Philadelphia | PA |
| Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank | Duquesne | PA |
| Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank, St. Benedict the Moor Food Pantry | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Greater Washington County Food Bank | Brownsville | PA |
| Hunger Nutrition Coalition of Bucks Co. | Doylestown | PA |
| Hunger-Free Pennsylvania | McMurray | PA |
| Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc. | Indiana | PA |
| Just Harvest | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Kane Area Community Center | Kane | PA |
| Lawrence County Community Action Partnership | New Castle | PA |
| Lincoln Park Community Center | Penn Hills | PA |
| Living Bread Ministries | Clearfield | PA |
| Medical Mission Sisters | Philadelphia | PA |
| Metropolitan Area Neighborhood Nutrition Alliance (MANNA) | Philadelphia | PA |
| Montgomery County Community Action Development Commission | Norristown | PA |
| Morningside COIGC | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Network of Hope | Allison Park | PA |
| New Beginnings Food Pantry | Fairview | PA |
| Nutritional Development Services, Inc. | Philadelphia | PA |
| Partnership for Better Health | Carlisle | PA |
| Penn Hills NAACP Unit | Penn Hills | PA |
| Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center | Harrisburg | PA |
| Pennsylvania Council of Churches | Harrisburg | PA |
| Pennsylvania Farmers Union | Harrisburg | PA |
| Philabundance | Philadelphia | PA |
| Philadelphia Department of Public Health | Philadelphia | PA |
| Phoenix Rising Counseling Services | Scranton | PA |
| Pittsburgh Community Food Bank | Natrona Heights | PA |
| Pittsburgh Food Policy Council | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Pittsburgh Women's International League for Peace and Freedom/Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Rainbow Kitchen Community Services | Homestead | PA |
| Robin Rifkin, Nutrition Consultant | Melrose Park | PA |

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| Second Harvest Food Bank of NW PA | Erie | PA |
| Second Harvest Food Bank of the Lehigh Valley and Northeast Pennsylvania | Nazareth | PA |
| Second Helping | Yardley | PA |
| Second UP Church of Wilkinsburg | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Social Justice and Outreach Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Somerset County Mobile Food Bank | Somerset | PA |
| South Hills Interfaith Movement (SHIM) | Bethel Park | PA |
| St. James Church Social Justice and Peace Committee | Wilkinsburg | PA |
| St. Mary Assumption Food Pantry - Sharpsburg Site | Pittsburgh | PA |
| St. Raphael Food Bank | Pittsburgh | PA |
| St. Vincent DePaul Food for Families | Johnstown | PA |
| SW PA Bread for the World Team | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Swissvale Community Food Pantry | Swissvale | PA |
| The Food Trust | Philadelphia | PA |
| The John Leary Organization | Philadelphia | PA |
| The SHARE Food Program, Inc. | Philadelphia | PA |
| Touching Families, Inc. | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Union City Area School District | Union City | PA |
| Union City School District Elementary Cafeteria | Union City | PA |
| Unitarian Universalist Pennsylvania Legislative Advocacy Network (UUPLAN) | Harrisburg | PA |
| Wallace Memorial Food Pantry | Pittsburgh | PA |
| Washington Heights Ecumenical Food Bank | Pittsburgh | PA |
| West Chester Food Cupboard | West Chester | PA |
| West Sunbury United Presbyterian Church | West Sunbury | PA |
| Westmoreland County Food Bank Inc. | Delmont | PA |

South Carolina

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| South Carolina Appleseed Legal Justice Center | Columbia | SC |
| Harvest Hope Food Bank | Columbia | SC |
| Eat Smart Move More South Carolina | Columbia | SC |
| Lowcountry Food Bank | Charleston | SC |
| End Child Hunger SC | Columbia | SC |
| Hilton Head for Peace | Hilton Head | SC |
| United Ministries of Clarendon County | Manning | SC |

SOUTH DAKOTA

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| South Dakota Public Health Association (SDPHA) | Brookings | SD |
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TENNESSEE

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| Network for Environmental & Economic Responsibility of United Church of Christ | Pleasant Hill | TN |
| Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee | Kingsport | TN |
| Tennessee Public Health Association | Nashville | TN |

TEXAS

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| Center for Public Policy Priorities | Austin | TX |
| Dominican Sisters of Houston | Houston | TX |
| Dwyer Business Strategies | Dallas | TX |
| Feeding Texas | Austin | TX |
| Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley, Inc. | Pharr | TX |
| Houston Food Bank | Houston | TX |
| IT'S TIME TEXAS | Austin | TX |
| North Texas Food Bank | Dallas | TX |
| San Antonio Food Bank (SAFB) | San Antonio | TX |
| Texas Public Health Association | Austin | TX |
| The Lunch Tray | Houston | TX |
| United Way of Metropolitan Dallas | Dallas | TX |
| Vecinos Unidos, Inc. | Dallas | TX |

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| Crossroads Urban Center | Salt Lake City | UT |
| Utahns Against Hunger | Salt Lake City | UT |

VERMONT

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| Hunger Free Vermont | South Burlington | VT |
| Vermont Public Health Association | Burlington | VT |

VIRGINIA

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| Feeding America Southwest Virginia | Salem | VA |
| Lorton Community Action Center | Lorton | VA |
| Real Food For Kids | Great Falls | VA |
| Saint John Neumann Social Justice Ministry | Reston | VA |
| Social Action Linking Together (SALT) | Vienna | VA |
| Virginia Organizing | Charlottesville | VA |
| Virginia Peninsula Foodbank | Hampton | VA |
| Virginia Public Health Association | Richmond | VA |
| Voices for Virginia's Children | Richmond | VA |

WASHINGTON

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| Aberdeen Community Food Bank | Aberdeen | WA |
| Anti-Hunger & Nutrition Coalition | Seattle | WA |
| APOYO | Ellensburg | WA |
| Chelan-Douglas Community Action Council | Wenatchee | WA |
| City of Longview Parks and Recreation | Longview | WA |
| Coastal Harvest | Hoquiam | WA |
| Concern For Neighbors Food Bank | Mountlake Terrace | WA |
| Council on Aging & Human Services | Colfax | WA |
| Faith Action Network | Seattle | WA |
| Food Lifeline | Seattle | WA |
| GBS Northwest | Bellingham | WA |
| Helping Hands food bank | Sedro-Woolley | WA |
| Highland Farm West | Burlington | WA |
| Host - Conscious Talk Radio | Issaquah | WA |
| Hunger Intervention Program (HIP) | Seattle | WA |
| Jewish Family Service Seattle | Seattle | WA |
| Kent School District Nutrition Services | Kent | WA |
| Lakes Area FISH Food Bank | Lakewood | WA |
| Lynnwood Food Bank | Lynnwood | WA |
| Mason County Public Hospital District 2 | Belfair | WA |
| My Sister's Pantry Food Bank | Tacoma | WA |
| North Mason Coalition of Churches and Community's FOOD FOR KIDS Program | Belfair | WA |
| Northwest Harvest | Seattle | WA |
| Nutrition First | Mount Vernon | WA |
| Ocean Park Food Bank | Ocean Park | WA |
| Orting Food Bank | Orting | WA |
| Pierce County Hunger Advocates | Tacoma | WA |
| Pike Market Senior Center & Food Bank | Seattle | WA |
| Port Angeles Food Bank | Port Angeles | WA |
| Skagit Healthy Communities | Mount Vernon | WA |
| Solid Ground | Seattle | WA |
| Statewide Poverty Action Network | Seattle | WA |
| The Children's Alliance | Seattle | WA |
| The South Kitsap Helpline | Port Orchard | WA |
| Tum Tum Community Food Pantry | Nine Mile Falls | WA |
| Washington Chapter HDSA | Sedro Woolley | WA |
| Washington Community Action Network | Seattle | WA |
| Washington Food Coalition | Seattle | WA |

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| Washington State Community Action Partnership | Olympia | WA |
| Washington State Public Health Association | Seattle | WA |
| Westgate Chapel Food Bank | Edmonds | WA |

WEST VIRGINIA

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| Facing Hunger Food Bank | Huntington | WV |
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WISCONSIN

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| Pipe Organs/Golden Ponds Farm | Delafield | WI |
| Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes | Fond du Lac | WI |
| Hunger Task Force | Milwaukee | WI |
| Marshfield Community Development Authority (MCDA) | Marshfield | WI |

WYOMING

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| Laramie County Community Partnership, Inc. | Cheyenne | WY |
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