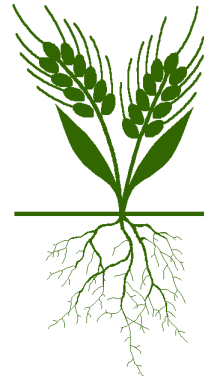


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*Getting to the  
Root of the  
Problem*

## OUR MISSION

Hunger Action Network brings together emergency food providers, low-income individuals, communities of faith, and grassroots advocates to increase the amount of food provided to hungry New Yorkers, while building unified statewide advocacy for long-term solutions to hunger and its root causes, including poverty.

Your involvement will enable Hunger Action Network to continue to grow as a people's movement, a network of New Yorkers working together to end hunger. Hunger Action is only as strong as its membership.

Because you care that all people have enough to eat and to live, we ask that you join with us in the movement to end hunger in our state. Remember that children are the primary victims of hunger in our communities. Whether you prefer to support our direct efforts to increase the availability of nutritious food, or our advocacy for longer-term, systemic changes, we need your support in the effort to end hunger and poverty.

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# Who We Are

Hunger Action believes that fighting hunger is two-fold: First, we must work to increase the availability of, and access to, nutritious food; then, we must address, and advocate for, systemic change. Hunger Action often works in coalition with other state and local organizations to achieve our goals.

Recent advocacy successes include:

- Increasing state funding to HPNAP, a funding source for emergency food programs.
- Legislation which created a wage subsidy program for welfare-to-work participants.
- Legislation which allows welfare-to-work participants who are attending college to count work-study as an approved work activity.

## Community Food Initiatives

Hunger Action organizes community food programs such as: Grow an Extra Row, Gardening in a Bucket, community gardens, gleaning, community supported agriculture (CSA) and food buying clubs. We also provide technical assistance to the state's 3,000 emergency food providers (EFPs).

Hunger Action engages in outreach to families, to assist them in obtaining federal nutrition benefits such as food stamps, the summer food program, and the school breakfast program.

Hunger Action is one of only two organizations representing New York State to the Northeast Regional Anti-Hunger Network.

## Advocacy

Hunger Action regularly engages in advocacy, in relation to legislative and state budget issues, to positively effect low-income people in New York State.

We provide local forums and workshops to educate low-income individuals and interested citizens on important issues and to train individuals and groups to advocate locally and statewide on these issues. We also hold regular statewide events such as our Legislative Action Day and our People's State of the State rally.

Some of our more recent campaigns include the Empire State Economic Security Campaign (ES2), the Empire State Jobs Bill Campaign, and the National Welfare Made a Difference Campaign. These campaigns advocate for important issues such as increased access to transportation, education and training, and quality child care; job creation; raising the minimum wage and the welfare grant; affordable housing; and dignified treatment for all.

In addition, the Welfare Made a Difference Campaign gathers the personal stories of former and current welfare recipients for use in advocacy efforts and empowers low-income individuals to become successful self-advocates.

## What You Can Do

- Get informed about the issues affecting hungry New Yorkers; call us for training on advocacy and key issues, how the state legislature works, how to effectively use the media, or how to start a community food project in your area.
- Vote! And write or call your legislators and tell them how you feel.
- Volunteer with Hunger Action Network: help in our offices; assist with events such as Legislative Action Day, or with a committee; or sponsor a local/regional event.
- Make a donation in support of Hunger Action's ongoing efforts.

## Membership Form

Membership is open to all who wish to be heard and counted in the struggle to eliminate hunger and its causes, including poverty.

Type of Membership:	Dues:
<input type="checkbox"/> Fixed/low-income, students	\$5.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$30.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small organization (Budget: \$250,000 or less)	\$40.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Medium organization (Budget: \$250,000—\$750,000)	\$75.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Large organization (Budget: above \$750,000)	\$150.00

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Eve) \_\_\_\_\_

I do not plan to join at this time, but I would like to make a donation:

- \$25.00
- \$50.00
- \$100.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Method of Payment:

- Check
- Visa
- MasterCard
- American Express

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make check payable, and return form, to:*

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