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Sample Facebook Posts

Two-thirds of the people that receive SNAP food assistance are children, seniors, and people with disabilities. Turning our backs on them by slashing funding for SNAP would simply be wrong.

A strong Farm Bill strengthens and protects SNAP and TEFAP. Children, seniors, and veterans struggling with hunger are counting on the Senate.

Sample Tweets

- #SNAPWorks and is a vital program for [XX#] of [state], including [XX#] of children. Senators need to make sure SNAP stays strong in the #SenateFarmBill

- TEFAP provides food banks with nutritious foods to help low-income Americans struggling with hunger. Call your Senators and tell them increase #TEFAP funding. #EndHunger.

- For each meal @feedingamerica network of food banks provide, SNAP provides 12. We need to keep the program strong to #EndHunger in our communities.

- TEFAP is critical to food banks because it provides nearly 20% of the food distributed through local hunger relief agencies. #SenateFarmBill

- #SNAPWorks to make sure those in our community who most need it get food – children, seniors and people with disabilities make up 2/3 of SNAP recipients.

- Increased #TEFAP funding will help food banks provide emergency food assistance for children, seniors, and veterans. #EndHunger

- TEFAP provided nearly 600 million meals distributed by the Feeding America network last year. #SenateFarmBill

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Grassroots Email

Subject Line: Protect SNAP and TEFAP food assistance for children, seniors and veterans

Dear [Firstname],

The Senate recently released its version of the Farm Bill. However, some Senators want to consider harmful proposals that could make it harder for millions of children, seniors, and veterans to access Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). We also need to make sure that bill adequately funds The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) which provides nutritious food for people in need.

Help us make sure Senators get the message that taking food from hungry people is unacceptable. **Tell your Senators to support a Farm Bill that invests in SNAP and TEFAP.**

SNAP is the single largest program directed at curbing hunger and it's amazingly effective. This one program puts food on the table for more than 40 million Americans, almost half of whom are kids. In [state], [xx# of] people need SNAP to ensure they don't have to skip a meal. In fact, every meal the Feeding America network of 200 food banks and 60,000 partner food pantries, soup kitchens, and meals sites – of which [Food bank name] is a part – SNAP provides 12 meals. Food banks won't be able to make up the gap left by cutting SNAP, leaving millions of people hungry in our communities.

TEFAP provides food banks with fresh, nutritious food purchased from farmers and also helps transport and serve the food. In fact, almost one in five meals distributed by all local hunger-relief agencies in 2016 was moved, stored, and served because of TEFAP, which is a cornerstone of the food supply for our national network of food banks. Failing to adequately fund the program will inhibit our ability to meet the needs of those who are hungry in our community.

Turning our backs on children, seniors, and veterans who don't have enough to eat by reducing funding for SNAP or TEFAP would simply be wrong.

Tell [Senator 1] and [Senator 2] to support a strong Farm Bill that invests in food assistance and oppose amendments that take an axe to SNAP.

Your voice could be the difference that keeps food on the table for a family with no other options.

Sincerely,

[Food bank signer]

[Food bank name]

Letter to Target:

Subject: Support SNAP & TEFAP in the Senate Farm Bill

Dear [Senator name],

As your constituent and a supporter of [food bank name], I'm writing to ask you to support a Farm Bill that protects federal nutrition programs and to oppose indiscriminate cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and reductions to The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), which helps food banks provide nutritious foods to families struggling with hunger.

SNAP is the single largest program aimed at curbing hunger and helps puts food into the hands of more than 40 million Americans. More than 60 percent of SNAP recipients are children, seniors, and people with disabilities. SNAP funding cuts and program changes proposed in the House Farm Bill would put millions of people at risk, including thousands here at home in our district.

TEFAP provides food banks with fresh, nutritious food purchased from farmers and also helps transport and serve the food. In fact, almost one in five meals distributed by all local hunger-relief agencies in 2016 was moved, stored, and served because of TEFAP, which is a cornerstone of the food supply for our national network of food banks. Failing to adequately fund the program will inhibit our ability to meet the needs of those who are hungry in our community.

Food assistance programs like SNAP and TEFAP let all people participate in their local economies and makes our communities stronger. I urge you to support a strong Farm Bill that invests in food assistance and oppose indiscriminate cuts to critical food assistance programs.

Sincerely,

[supporter name]