

Hunger Facts Sheet

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US Facts and Statistics on Poverty

- As of 2017, 39.7 million people (12.3%) live in poverty.
- As of 2016, 41.2 million Americans live in food-insecure households, including 28.3 million adults and 12.9 million children.
- Food insecurity among young children is associated with poorer physical quality of life, which may prevent them from fully engaging in daily activities such as school and social interaction with peers.
- When they are in school, children who are food insecure may experience increases in an array of behavior problems including: fighting, hyperactivity, aggression, anxiety, mood swings, and bullying.

Channel One Service Area Facts

- 59,370 Individuals and families in Channel One Regional Food Banks Service Area are food insecure. 19,970 of these individuals are children.
- Over 100,000 people are assisted each year through Channel One's programs in Southeast Minnesota and Western Wisconsin.
- Channel One Regional Food Bank distributed over 10.4 million pounds of food in 2017-2018.
- Over 200 agencies and food shelves partner with Channel One.
- Volunteers donated 34,249 hours to help in 2017-2018.

