

WHY THIS MATTERS

Providing children with access to healthy, balanced meals has shown:



Improved academic achievement and higher test scores



Improved cognitive development and reduced rates of sickness and chronic disease



Better concentration, more energy, and fewer behavioral challenges


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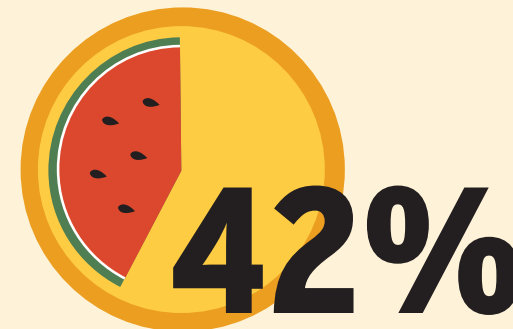
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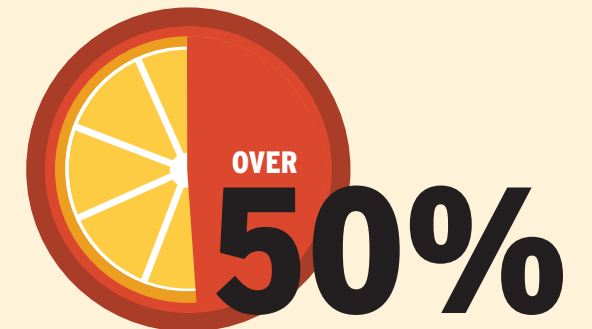
1 IN 5 children live in households that struggle with hunger

SOURCE: Feeding America



of all SNAP recipients are children

SOURCE: USDA



of Montana's 56 counties contain areas considered food deserts

SOURCE: USDA

END CHILDHOOD HUNGER BY 2025



The Montana Partnership to End Childhood Hunger is a dedicated group of community advocates, representatives from public and private food programs, healthcare professionals, and legislators

Our mission is to: eliminate childhood hunger through building awareness, maximizing community resources, and supporting policy advocacy



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10 STEP PLAN

STEP

GOAL

2010 BASELINE → PROGRESS MADE

2017 BENCHMARK

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| <p>1</p>  <p>Provide a nutrient-rich breakfast for all school children</p> | <p>Increase the number of School Breakfast Programs</p> <p>Increase number of Free and Reduced Price (FRP) students participating in the School Breakfast Program</p> <p>Offer universal free breakfast and other expanded options such as Breakfast in the Classroom and Grab-N-Go</p> | <p>83.0% → 83.6%</p> <p>30.5% → 32.0%</p> <p>15% SCHOOLS → 20% SCHOOLS</p> <p>22 SCHOOLS → 87 SCHOOLS</p> <p>0 SCHOOLS → 33 SCHOOLS</p> | <p>92%</p> <p>37%</p> <p>25% SCHOOLS</p> <p>100 SCHOOLS</p> <p>50 SCHOOLS</p> |
| <p>2</p>  <p>Provide nutrient-rich meals for children during out-of-school times</p> | <p>Provide meals through the Montana Food Bank Network BackPack Program</p> <p>Increase access to School Pantry programs</p> <p>Initiate, expand and sustain food programs through Boys & Girls Clubs</p> | <p>6 CLUBS SERVE SUPPER → 9 CLUBS SERVE SUPPER</p> | <p>All that have summer camp will offer breakfast, lunch and snack</p> <p>210 SITES</p> <p>12,150 KIDS</p> |
| <p>3</p>  <p>Expand the reach of the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP)</p> | <p>Increase the number of SFSP sites</p> <p>Increase participation at SFSP sites</p> | <p>167 SITES → 192 SITES</p> <p>6,663 KIDS → 8,518 KIDS</p> | <p>150 PROGRAMS</p> <p>30 PROGRAMS</p> |
| <p>4</p>  <p>Support nutrient-rich snacks and meals in afterschool programs and childcare centers</p> | <p>Increase number of institutions participating in Child and Adult Care Food Programs (CACFP)</p> <p>Increase number of After School Meal Programs</p> | <p>129 PROGRAMS → 138 PROGRAMS</p> <p>11 PROGRAMS → 20 PROGRAMS</p> | <p>78% PARTICIPATE</p> <p>20,500 PARTICIPATE</p> <p>3,300 MONTHLY PARTICIPANTS</p> <p>78% PARTICIPATE</p> <p>335 SCHOOLS</p> <p>180 SCHOOLS</p> |
| <p>5</p>  <p>Guarantee that all eligible families have access to public food programs</p> | <p>Maximize participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), National School Lunch Program (NSLP), Afterschool Snacks, and the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP)</p> | <p>SNAP 75% → 75% PARTICIPATED</p> <p>WIC 20,274 → 19,209 PARTICIPATED</p> <p>FDPIR 2,568 → 3,147 MONTHLY PARTICIPANTS</p> <p>NSLP 70% → 71% PARTICIPATED</p> <p>AFTERSCHOOL SNACKS 204 → 265 SCHOOLS OFFERED</p> <p>FFVP 110 → 163 SCHOOLS PARTICIPATED</p> | <p>35% OF DISTRICTS with Farm to School programs will have a school garden</p> <p>85 DISTRICTS</p> |
| <p>6</p>  <p>Improve access to healthy, affordable, locally grown food</p> | <p>Increase number of school gardens in Montana</p> <p>Increase the number of Farm to School programs</p> <p>Make farmers markets more accessible to SNAP recipients</p> | <p>38 SCHOOLS → 18 DISTRICTS</p> <p>40 DISTRICTS → 67 DISTRICTS</p> <p>8 MARKETS → 16 MARKETS</p> | <p>20 MARKETS</p> <p>94% OF BABIES EVER BREASTFED</p> <p>50% WORK SITES</p> <p>30% PARTICIPATE</p> <p>15 HOSPITALS DESIGNATED/ENROLLED</p> |
| <p>7</p>  <p>Promote healthy eating for pregnant women and breastfeeding support for new mothers and babies</p> | <p>Work with community groups to promote breastfeeding</p> <p>Increase the number of public work sites informed of and observing Montana public employer breastfeeding policy</p> <p>Increase participation of WIC eligible pregnant women</p> <p>Increase the number of birthing hospitals designated and/or enrolled in the Baby-Friendly certification process</p> | <p>82% BREASTFED → 91% BREASTFED</p> <p>UNKNOWN # OF WORK SITES → INCREASED OUTREACH</p> <p>25.7% PARTICIPATED → 27.4% PARTICIPATED</p> <p>1 HOSPITAL → 2 HOSPITALS DESIGNATED</p> | <p>16 MILLION MEALS</p> <p>CONNECT AGENCIES WITH 4 NEW RESOURCES ANNUALLY + BIMONTHLY RECIPES</p> <p>4.9 MIL. LBS DONATED / 56 STORES</p> <p>100% OF SCHOOLS</p> <p>14 COUNTIES</p> <p>6 RESERVATIONS</p> <p>130 SCHOOLS</p> |
| <p>8</p>  <p>Improve adequacy and quality of food distributed through the emergency food system</p> | <p>Increase availability of nutrition education resources for agencies of the Montana Food Bank Network</p> <p>Improve access to fresh produce and dairy by increasing retail food donations to Montana Food Bank Network partner agencies</p> | <p>13.2 MILLION MEALS → 14 MILLION MEALS</p> <p>PROVIDE RECIPES BIMONTHLY → PROVIDE RECIPES BIMONTHLY + EDUCATION</p> <p>3.6 MIL. LBS DONATED AT 45 STORES → 4.4 MIL. LBS DONATED AT 47 STORES</p> <p>99.5% OF SCHOOLS INCLUDED COURSES → 97.8% OF SCHOOLS INCLUDED COURSES</p> | <p>16 MILLION MEALS</p> <p>CONNECT AGENCIES WITH 4 NEW RESOURCES ANNUALLY + BIMONTHLY RECIPES</p> <p>4.9 MIL. LBS DONATED / 56 STORES</p> <p>100% OF SCHOOLS</p> <p>14 COUNTIES</p> <p>6 RESERVATIONS</p> <p>130 SCHOOLS</p> |
| <p>9</p>  <p>Offer nutrition education to children and families on making smart food choices and active lifestyles</p> | <p>Ensure that teaching nutrition and dietary behavior remains a priority in Montana schools</p> <p>Increase access to and participation in SNAP-Ed and the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP)</p> <p>Promote fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains, legumes, nutrition education and physical activity in schools through the Healthy School Award Program</p> | <p>19 COUNTIES → 17 COUNTIES</p> <p>6 RESERVATIONS → 6 RESERVATIONS</p> <p>17 SCHOOLS → 106 SCHOOLS</p> | <p>4 COMMUNITIES WILL HOST FINANCIAL LITERACY TRAININGS</p> |
| <p>10</p>  <p>Increase opportunities for financial education for families experiencing or at risk of hunger</p> | <p>Establish partnerships between service providers and financial educators to facilitate financial literacy training opportunities throughout the state</p> | <p>NO DATA ON EXISTING PARTNERSHIPS → CONNECTING EDUCATORS TO FOOD PANTRIES IN 2 COMMUNITIES</p> | <p>4 COMMUNITIES WILL HOST FINANCIAL LITERACY TRAININGS</p> |