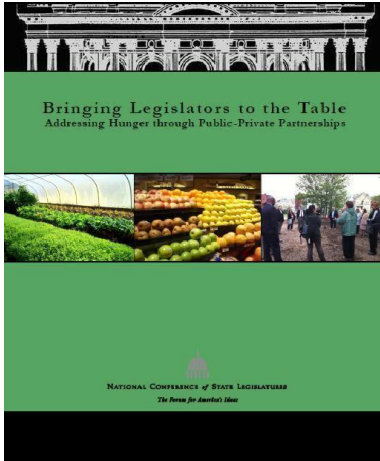


## Publications



- Bringing Legislators to the Table: Public-Private Partnerships to Address Hunger in States
- A Guide to the School Breakfast Program
- Public-Private Partnerships in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- Hunger Partnership - A Checklist for State Legislators
- [Webinar] Ensuring Program Integrity and Efficiency in Nutrition Assistance Programs
- [Webinar] Food for Learning: Public Private Partnerships in the School Breakfast Program
- Feeding People, Not Landfills: Why Reducing Food Waste Matters

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State legislators visiting The Food Project in Boston, Massachusetts.  
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# NCSL Foundation Hunger Partnership

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Georgia State Senator Renee Unterman interviewing the Atlanta Community Food Bank Executive Director. March 2011.

## Overview

The NCSL Foundation for State Legislatures launched the Hunger Partnership to raise the visibility of hunger in America and highlight innovative and lasting solutions.

The goal of the project is to connect the public and private sectors to improve the availability of healthy food for hungry families.

The Hunger Partnership links legislators, legislative staff and interested businesses to identify innovative and successful programs and develop bipartisan, balanced and concise materials and mechanisms to support legislators in their efforts to reduce hunger in America.

## Public-Private Partnerships

Private and non-profit sectors commit significant resources to addressing hunger in America, leveraging federal programs and enlisting their employees, customers and clients to improve the availability and accessibility of affordable, healthy food for those who need assistance.

## Why is this important?

The number of people in the United States who had difficulty putting food on the table has grown by more than five million



Pennsylvania State Representative Evans speaks to students at De Anza Middle School in Ventura, California about their farm-to-school salad bar and their school curriculum that integrates nutrition education, gardening, and cooking. January, 2013.

since 2007. One in seven U.S. households was food insecure at some point in 2010. The prevalence of food insecurity is at its highest level since 1995, when the first national food security survey was conducted. Despite record high rates of food insecurity, academics, advocates and policymakers insist that hunger is a solvable problem.

"The research made available by the NCSL Hunger Partnership was quite helpful in crafting SB 663 Creating WV Feed to Achieve Act," said West Virginia Senate Majority Leader John Unger, D-WV, "It enabled our Special Select Committee on Children and Poverty to incorporate into our thinking the best innovative ideas being discussed nationally."

In addition to being the Senate Majority Leader, Senator John Unger serves as the Chairman of the Special Select Committee on Children and Poverty. He also was recently named one of twenty-five NCSL's Early Learning Fellows.