

National CSFP Association

Commodity Supplemental Food Program

Hunger and the Elderly

According to The National Council on Aging, hunger has a serious impact on our seniors, including:

- Increased risk of stroke.
- Increased problems from pre-existing health conditions.
- Limits the efficacy of many prescription drugs.
- May affect brain chemistry resulting in increased incidence of depression and isolation.




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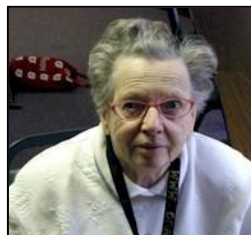
CSFP helps the most vulnerable seniors receive the nutrition they need, promoting health, treating disease, decreasing the length of hospital stays, and saving millions in health care dollars.

Meet Mae...

She is 64 and lost her savings due to breast cancer. She is living on less than \$20 a month for food. When asked how she would be able to get by without CSFP, she says, "I don't think that I could."

FY2014 CSFP Budget Request - \$207.7 Million

RECOMMENDATION	DESCRIPTION
<p> Fully Fund the Existing CSFP Program at \$202.7 Million - The FY 2014 Budget Request</p> <p>Fact: CSFP is the only USDA program that provides needy seniors with a nutritionally balanced food package. Unfortunately, the need far exceeds the available funding. States currently participating in CSFP have requested an additional 116,000+ slots to meet the increasing need among our elderly.</p>	<p>Fully fund the existing CSFP program to ensure that the 600,000 participants—needy seniors, women, infants, and children—enrolled in 39 States, the District of Columbia and 2 Indian Tribal Organizations are receiving the essential nutrition they need to survive.</p> <p>CSFP leverages the efforts of thousands of volunteers at churches and charities across America to deliver population specific nutritional supports with a retail value in excess of \$50 per month!</p> <p>CSFP serves the most-vulnerable members of "The Greatest Generation" and helps to ensure that at-risk members of the next generation get a healthy start in life.</p> <p>CSFP makes a difference in the lives of 600,000 Americans every month, and it is critical that the program is fully funded at the requested amount of \$207.7 million for FY2014.</p>
<p>Provide Funding to 6 New States with USDA Approved Plans for an Additional \$5 Million</p>	<p>Provide funding to six additional states—Connecticut, Hawaii, Idaho, Maryland, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island—with USDA approved plans of operation to ensure that the residents of these states have access to the same essential nutrition as those of other states already participating in the program.</p>



Thank you CSFP...for making a difference!