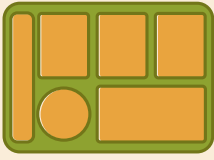


# Minnesota Partners to End Hunger

## State Legislative Agenda 2020



### End school lunch shaming (HF 55/SF 411)

Minnesota became a leader in addressing the issue of school lunch shaming when it passed legislation to ensure that reminders about lunch payments do not stigmatize or demean students who participate in the free school meals program. Yet some students who are unable to pay are still demeaned or denied access to a nutritious lunch. We support closing the loophole in state law that allows this to happen.

**Ask:** Please support HF 55/SF 411 to take a strong stand against lunch shaming in Minnesota.

**Lead organizations:** Legal Aid & Hunger Solutions Minnesota

**Committee:** Education



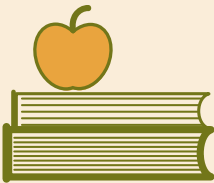
### Continue mobile food shelf funding (HF 1049/SF 356)

Mobile food shelf programs increase access to nutritious food for individuals who experience barriers to accessing traditional bricks-and-mortar food shelves because of transportation or mobility challenges. Mobile food shelves received \$2 million in funding from the Legislature in 2015. Support continued funding of competitive grants to create new mobile programs or expand existing programs.

**Ask:** Please support HF 1049/SF 356 to provide \$500,000 annually to support Mobile Food Shelves.

**Lead organization:** Hunger Solutions Minnesota

**Committee:** Human Services



### Hunger Free Campuses (HF 2366/SF 2706)

40% of Minnesota students report struggling with food insecurity while trying to pursue their education and that is unacceptable. Our bill proposes state funding for Hunger Free Campuses. This would provide grants to help ensure that every community and technical college in Minnesota has a system in place to address food insecurity among students. Hunger Free Campuses would also fund SNAP education and outreach on every campus.

**Ask:** Please support HF 2366/SF 2706 and help colleges address campus hunger.

**Lead organization:** LeadMN – College Students Connecting for Change

**Committee:** Education



### Build a new food shelf in St. Paul

Keystone Community Services is requesting \$1.5 million in state funds for Phase 1 of a capital investment project to acquire a building and to complete design of a new Community Food Site in St. Paul. Phase 2 would include construction. This capital investment project will have the capacity to support more than 40,000 people in Ramsey County with food, emergency assistance and connections to resources.

**Ask:** Please fund \$1.5 million toward the building and design of a new food shelf in St. Paul

**Lead organization:** Keystone Community Services

**Committee:** Capital Investment

## About Partners to End Hunger

Minnesota Partners to End Hunger is a statewide network of service providers and advocates working to end hunger in Minnesota by motivating decision-makers to take supportive action on state and national hunger policy issues.

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