

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE FOR CHILDREN (GOC)

10.583 HUNGER-FREE COMMUNITIES

FY13 (exp)	FY14 (approp)	FY15 (est)
\$ 458,447	\$ 0	\$ 0

Program Supported / Population Served: With \$923,812 total funding for a two-year project received from the Food and Nutrition Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, GOC, through the Partnership to End Childhood Hunger in Maryland (The Partnership), will work with applying partners Catholic Charities, Maryland Department of Human Resources, Maryland Food Bank, Maryland Hunger Solutions, Maryland State Department of Education, and SHARE Food Network (all active members of The Partnership) to implement the Creating Hunger-Free Communities in Maryland by Meeting the Growing Need in Eight Target Counties project. The project's foundation is based upon the assessments of hunger in eight target Counties in Maryland (Allegany, Anne Arundel, Caroline, Carroll, Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett and Montgomery), which reveal that many at-risk children are not accessing the full range of available food and nutrition programs and resources. The primary focus will be:

- Participating in Federally-assisted nutrition programs that should be easily accessible to targeted populations, such as the Federal programs that provide school breakfast, school lunch, summer food, child care food, and food for homeless and older individuals.
- Having available information and referral services for accessing both public and private programs and services.
- Having a program for collecting and distributing nutritious food, either agricultural commodities in farmers' fields or foods that have already been prepared, that would otherwise be wasted.

Governor's Strategic Goal: [End Childhood Hunger in Maryland by 2015](#)

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