# Share Lunch Fight Hunger 2021 Facts



### **Child Hunger in New York City**

Here are statistics you can use to spread the word throughout the duration of the campaign:

- Nearly 1.6 million New Yorkers struggle to put meals on the table-a 44% increase over pre-COVID-19 figures
- Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, 521,000, or 1 in 3, children in our city are now projected to experience food insecurity—compared to 1 in 5 children before the pandemic.
- Since March, the soup kitchens and food pantries we serve have reported seeing more families with children on their lines.
- When school lets out for the summer, families face increased expenses to provide meals that children normally get at school.

#### The Campaign: May 2021

*Share Lunch Fight Hunger* is City Harvest's annual spring fundraising campaign that raises awareness and funds to feed kids and their families in NYC. 1 in 3 children in our city are struggling with hunger and you can help make a difference.

That's why we're asking everyone in NYC to donate the cost of lunch to help feed children in need.

Your \$15 gift to City Harvest helps make 41 happy tummies.

## **Your Impact**



\$15 helps feed 41 children a day



\$45 helps feed 17 children for a week

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\$75 helps feed 14 children for two weeks



\$150 helps feed 13 children for an entire month

## **About City Harvest**

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City Harvest is New York's first and largest food rescue organization, helping to feed millions of New Yorkers who struggle to put meals on their tables. This year, we will rescue 144 million pounds of fresh, nutritious food and deliver it—free of charge—to more than 400 food pantries, soup kitchens, community partners and our own Mobile Markets across the five boroughs. We work alongside our community partners to boost community capacity, expand nutrition education, and strengthen local food systems.

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