

# Briefing on Hunger and Food Insecurity in San Francisco For the San Francisco Board of Supervisors

# **Critical Programs Include:**

School Meals ♦ Food Stamps ♦ WIC ♦ Summer Lunch ♦ Senior Nutrition ♦ Home Delivered Meals ♦ Food Pantries ♦ Free Dining Rooms





# **Selected Summary Data – City Wide**

## **General Population**

•	Number of people receiving food from food pantries	78,992
•	<ul> <li>Number of lbs of food distributed by SF Food Bank 33,541,745</li> </ul>	
•	Number of food stamp cases	25,852
•	Number of individuals on food stamps	41,743

### **Seniors**

•	Number of seniors (65+ yrs)	107,191
•	Number of people served by congregate meals funded by the	
	City	15,039
•	Number of congregate meals funded by the City	777,782
•	Number of people served by home delivered meals funded by	
	the City	2,846

### **School Children**

Number of public school children qualified for free and reduced priced lunches at SFUSD	30,010
Average number of children eating school lunch daily at SFUSD	
	22,072
Average number of children eating school breakfast daily at SFUSD	5,621
Number of children on food stamps (6-17 yrs)	15,805
Average number of children eating summer lunch	8,892

#### Pre-K children

Number of children (0-5 yrs) receiving food stamps	6,653
Number of children (0-5) eating free lunch in child care	3,418
<ul> <li>Number of children (0-5) and mothers receiving WIC (Women, Infants &amp; Children)</li> </ul>	16,475



# **Hunger and Food Insecurity**

(District 1)

#### **About Your Residents:**

Total Population	68,662
Median income	\$40,843
# of unemployed residents	4,666
Unemployment rate	13%
# of SF Food Bank pantries	3
# of people served by the SF Food Bank Pantries	1,748
# of people receiving food stamps (SNAP)	1,640



# What does this mean for your district?

Many San Franciscans may not qualify for federal nutrition programs, but are still at risk for hunger.

Of all Supervisorial districts, District 1 has the sixth highest median income, the 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest number of residents served by pantries, and the 4th lowest number of individuals receiving food stamps.



# **Hungry Children**

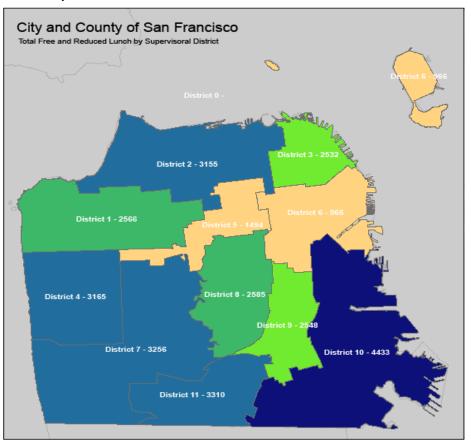
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#### **About Your Residents:**

•	# of children aged 0-17 living in District 9	8,710
•	# children receiving food stamps (0-17 yrs)	648

### **Programs in Your District:**

# of children enrolled in free or reduced priced	2,566
meals at SFUSD schools in District 1	
# of children eating lunch at SFUSD schools in	1,567
District 1	
# of children eating breakfast at SFUSD schools in	264
District 1	
# of summer lunch sites in 2009	1
Number of days summer lunch site was open	25
2009	
Average Daily Participation in Summer Lunch	40
2009	



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According to USDA food security data, the percentage of children living in food-insecure households rose by 34 percent from 2007 to 2008. More households reported food insecurity in 2008 than in any year since USDA began the national food security survey in 1995.

In San Francisco, SFUSD serves over 33,000 breakfast, lunch and snacks daily during the school year. During the summer months, SFUSD serves lunch through summer school, and Department of Children, Youth and their Families (DCYF) serves lunch through community based partners. In 2010, summer school may be limited in San Francisco. DCYF is planning to serve more children through their summer lunch program. In 2009, District 1 had the fewest number of summer lunch sites of all districts serving only 40 children.



# **Hungry Seniors**

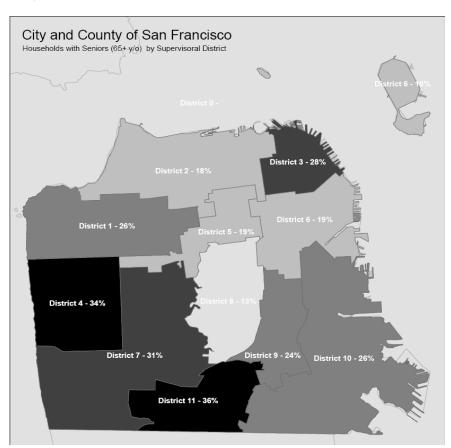
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#### **About Your Residents:**

<ul><li># of seniors (65+)</li></ul>	9,720
<ul><li># of seniors (75+)</li></ul>	5,279

### **Programs in Your District:**

•	# of centers serving senior meals	3
•	Total # of city funded meals for seniors	71,586
•	# of people served by home delivered meals	234



## What does this mean for your district?

Older adults in California face a shortage of nutrition resources.

Of all Supervisorial districts, District 1 has the 6<sup>th</sup> highest number of seniors 65+ living in the district, and has the 5<sup>th</sup> highest number of city funded congregate meals served within the district.



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