NO KID HUNGRY IN WISCONSIN | 2013

# Wisconsin

HUNGER AT A GLANCE

**21%** of kids in Wisconsin struggle with hunger

### 302,000

low-income children in Wisconsin receive free or reduced-price school lunch.

### The Problem

All of these kids are eligible for other critical meals, but too many are missing out.

## Only 44%

of children eating free or reduced-price school lunch are getting school breakfast.

# Only 13%

of children eating free or reduced-price school lunch are getting summer meals.



No child should grow up hungry in America, but one in five children struggles with hunger. Share Our Strength's No Kid Hungry campaign is ending childhood hunger in Wisconsin and all across America by ensuring all children get the healthy food they need, every day. The No Kid Hungry campaign connects kids in need to effective nutrition programs like school breakfast and summer meals and teaches low-income families to cook healthy, affordable meals through its Cooking Matters program. This work is accomplished through the No Kid Hungry network, made up of private citizens, public officials, nonprofits, business leaders and others providing innovative hunger solutions in their communities.

### Our Impact in Wisconsin

Since summer 2011, No Kid Hungry efforts have helped bring more than 34 million additional meals to kids who need them and found ways to replicate that success around the country. In Wisconsin, the No Kid Hungry campaign is focused on expanding access to free meals in the summer and afterschool meals. The campaign is also empowering families with the skills, knowledge and confidence to prepare healthy, affordable meals through Cooking Matters.

### Stories of No Kid Hungry in Wisconsin

Summer presents a time of uncertainty for kids without consistent access to food. With school out of session, kids who rely on free or reduced-price school meals find themselves without the safety net of those meals, and families who are struggling financially face an added strain of providing more meals. With support from the No Kid Hungry campaign, The Hunger Task Force, Inc. is feeding kids in the summer. Due to funding constraints in previous years, the Task Force had to cease its summer feeding in August, with no funds to pay the staff. Thanks to support from the No Kid Hungry campaign, the Task Force was able to extend their program into August, ensuring that local kids received an additional 2,600 breakfasts, lunches and suppers than would otherwise be served. With support from the No Kid Hungry campaign, the Task Force is able to ensure that Wisconsin kids have healthy, hunger free summers.

#### Our Partners in Wisconsin

The No Kid Hungry network in Wisconsin includes: Hunger Task Force, Inc. • Boys & Girls Club Of Oshkosh, Inc. • Boys & Girls Club Of Portage County



### **Take Action**

Learn more about how you can help end childhood hunger. Take the No Kid Hungry pledge at NoKidHungry.org/Pledge