

## Sample Letter: Hunger

Your Name  
Address  
City, State. Zip Code

[Insert Date]

Dear Senator [Insert *Vance* or *Brown*],

My name is [Insert Name] and I reside in [Insert Town and State]. I am a member of [Insert Congregation or phrase to fit your organization and state that you are a constituent]. As a person of faith (identify specific faith tradition), we are committed to loving and feeding our neighbor, but we cannot do it alone. We regularly collaborate with (insert local non-profits, food banks/pantries, and examples of ministries).

Sadly, despite our charitable efforts, hunger remains persistent in our local communities.

I am writing to ask you to improve our Nation's commitment to ending hunger in not only the United States, but in Ohio by strengthening important anti-hunger programs in the 2023 Farm Bill. Several of these initiatives are the following:

- Reauthorizing and doubling annual mandatory funding for TEFAP food purchases - which will properly fund our emergency food bank system in Ohio.
- Strengthening the TEFAP Farm to Food Bank Program.
- Protecting SNAP's purchasing power so benefits align with grocery prices and provide adequate support during tough economic times.
- Streamlining SNAP eligibility and enrollment processes to improve access.

I appreciate your time and consideration in strengthening anti-hunger efforts in the 2023 Farm Bill. I look forward to continuing these conversations in the future.

Thank you for your time and considering my request.

Sincerely,

[Insert Name]