



No Kid Hungry Campaign Supports Rural Grantee Cohort: Literacy Coalition South Central Arkansas Receives Funding

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OVERVIEW

WASHINGTON, DC – As part of its ongoing efforts to reduce food insecurity in rural communities, No Kid Hungry, a national campaign of Share Our Strength, has invested a total of \$298,250 across seven organizations to identify, document, and better understand promising practices to achieve food security in rural communities.

Selected grantees for the “Promising Practices to End Rural Child Hunger” cohort include: Feeding Southwest Virginia (VA), Center Pole (MT), Literacy Coalition of South Central Arkansas (AR), Harvest for the Hungry (TX), Arlee Community Development Corporation (MT), Chattanooga Area Food Bank (TN), Foodlink (NY).

Each of these organizations has adopted a community-centered, equity-driven approach to reducing food insecurity, with established credibility in the communities they serve. These seven organizations will also work together as a learning community to share best practices and propel each other to stronger, more effective models for local adoption.

Poverty and food insecurity can pose considerable challenges for those in rural communities and are symptoms of deeper root causes. Families in rural areas may face unique circumstances that contribute to and exacerbate food insecurity, including limited food retail options, transportation challenges, and constraints in community program access and availability.

Literacy Coalition will incorporate the No Kid Hungry rural initiative into its E3RPlus Family Literacy Project to encourage the adoption of cooked meals in the home for better health and cost savings.

About No Kid Hungry: No child should go hungry in America. But 1 in 6 kids in the United States face hunger today. No Kid Hungry is working to end childhood hunger by helping launch and improve programs that give all kids the healthy food they need to thrive. This is a problem we know how to solve. No Kid Hungry is a campaign of Share Our Strength, an organization committed to ending hunger and poverty. Join us at NoKidHungry.org.