



Talking Points: Senate

TELL CONGRESS: Invest \$230 million in global nutrition programs so that mothers and children can survive and thrive.

1. Investing in nutrition is a critical part of ending preventable deaths of mothers and children. **Undernutrition is responsible for almost half of all deaths of children under the age of 5 each year** (nearly 3 million) and for a large share of maternal deaths each year.
2. This investment would support programs like nutrition education to improve maternal diets, proper nutrition during pregnancy, exclusive breastfeeding, and improved infant and young child feeding practices.
3. **Every \$1 invested in these programs results in gains of \$18** in better productivity and decreased healthcare costs.

Fiscal Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	President's Request for 2017	Our Request for 2017
Nutrition Account	\$95 million	\$115 million	\$115 million	\$125 million	\$108.5 million	\$230 million

TELL CONGRESS: Pass a strong child nutrition bill that closes the gap and connects hungry children with nutritious meals.

1. One in 5 children in the U.S. lives at risk of hunger.
2. For every 6 low-income children who get a free or reduced-price lunch, only one also gets a meal during the summer months. Because of this gap, low-income children are more at risk of hunger during the summer.
3. The Senate's bipartisan bill, Improving Child Nutrition Integrity and Access Act of 2016, is a step in the right direction. I encourage you to continue to work to pass a bipartisan bill that connects hungry children with nutritious meals.