

WHAT ARE HUNGER COUNCILS? Hunger Councils are regional groups that have convened community leaders across all sectors since 2006 to end hunger and foster powerful connections that alleviate food insecurity systematically and sustainably.

HOW DO THEY WORK?

- Each Hunger Council meets at least quarterly and agendas are driven by the needs of the community.
- Hunger Councils are co-chaired by two community leaders, supported by Hunger Free Vermont staff.

WHAT HAVE THEY ACOMPLISHED? Hunger Councils have educated local leaders on hunger in Vermont and fostered the important community connections necessary to alleviate hunger locally and statewide.

Hunger Council members have been instrumental in:

- Expanding free school breakfast & lunch programs for all low-income students.
- Increasing 3SquaresVT (SNAP) participation in their communities.
- Significantly increasing the number of after-school meal sites serving children, ranking VT 3rd in the nation for its summer meals programs.
- Expanding use of the Hunger Vital Sign™ (2-item food insecurity screen) by medical and service providers.
- Connecting anti-hunger community with state and federal legislators.



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