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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

***\*\*Photo Opportunity and Interviews\*\****

**Anti-hunger advocates and elected officials rally to oppose federal attacks on SNAP and stand strong for the right to food  
Tuesday, September 24, 2019**

**WHO:** Children’s Health Watch  
Food Bank Coalition of Massachusetts  
Food Bank of Western Massachusetts  
Merrimack Valley Food Bank  
The Greater Boston Food Bank  
Worcester County Food Bank  
MA Food System Caucus  
MA Food System Collaborative  
Mass Law Reform Institute  
Massachusetts Public Health Association  
Project Bread  
Worcester Food Policy Council  
Senator Anne Gobi (Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex)  
Senator Sal DiDomenico (Middlesex and Suffolk)  
Representative Hannah Kane (11<sup>th</sup> Worcester)  
A Person with Lived Experience of Hunger

**WHAT:** Every day, and especially during [Hunger Action Month](#), advocates and elected officials from across Massachusetts stand strong for the right to food. At a rally

on the State House front steps, advocates will oppose the attacks on federal food assistance programs and promote state policies to expand food access.

The rally will take place at 12:15-1 p.m. and is hosted by Children's Health Watch, Food Bank Coalition of Massachusetts, MA Food System Caucus, MA Food System Collaborative, Mass Law Reform Institute, Massachusetts Public Health Association, Project Bread, and the Worcester Food Policy Council.

Speakers include Senator Anne Gobi, Senator Sal DiDomenico, Representative Hannah Kane, and a Person with Lived Experience of Hunger.

Advocates will meet with state legislators before the rally to advance state policies that promote food security. Programs like the Healthy Incentives Program, Massachusetts Emergency Food Assistance Program, and Breakfast After the Bell help those in need afford our most basic human right—food.

**WHY:** Every September, Feeding America's national network of food banks unites during [Hunger Action Month](#), to mobilize the public to take action to address hunger in their communities and generate awareness about hunger in America. One in 11 people in Massachusetts is food insecure.

For more information visit: [gbfb.org/hungeractionmonth](http://gbfb.org/hungeractionmonth).

**WHEN:** Tuesday, September 24, 2019  
**\*\*PHOTO OPP\*\*:** 12:15-1:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** **Massachusetts State House front steps** – 24 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02210.

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