

# Help Close Sonoma County's Missed Meal Gap

## 2016 Meal Gap = 34 million missed meals

Sonoma County residents at risk for hunger missed 34 million meals (41% of the meals needed) because they couldn't afford enough groceries.

Agencies offering food and support struggled to meet the ongoing need, which has stayed steady for several years.

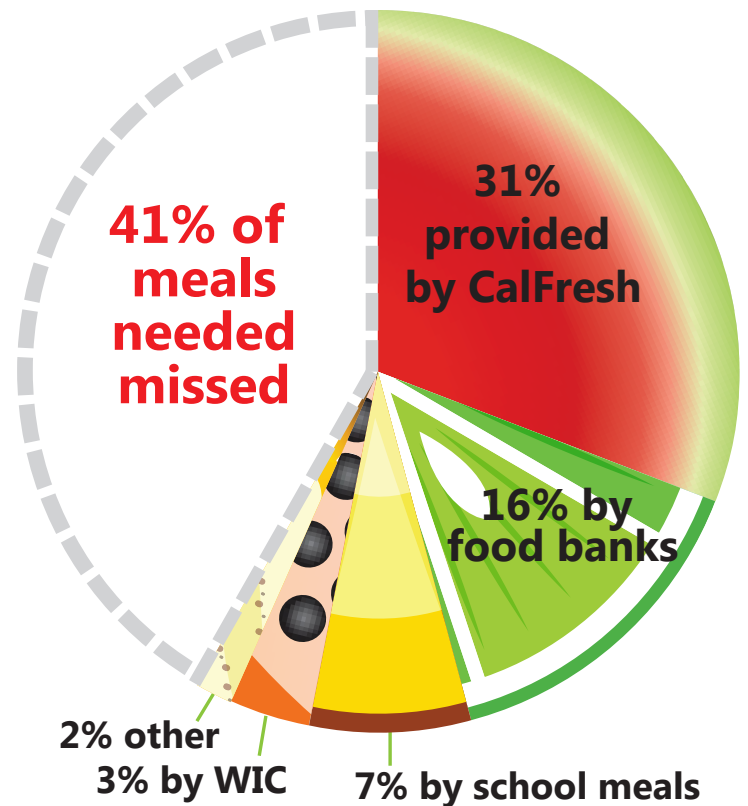
## Help close the Meal Gap in Sonoma County!

- **Volunteer** with local agencies that help hungry families
- **Donate** food and money

Learn how you can help at:  
**[SonomaHungerIndex.com](http://SonomaHungerIndex.com)**

## 2016 Hunger Index

100% = 82 million needed meals



- 70,000 at-risk households missed 41% of the meals needed to meet basic food needs.
- Food assistance programs provided 49 million meals to ease hunger.

**The Sonoma County Hunger Index Coalition** is dedicated to closing the meal gap so that no one goes hungry. Each year, the coalition publishes the Hunger Index to show how many meals are missing in Sonoma County. The report is also a call to action on how our community can help reduce hunger locally.

