



# *Milwaukee County*

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## **FIGHTING HUNGER IN THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT**

*Sup. Thomas promotes resources for families and individuals experiencing poverty*

**Milwaukee, WI** – New information from the U.S. Census Bureau released this week shows that nearly half of all Americans are living in poverty or are classified as low-income. According to the Hunger Task Force, a high percentage of Milwaukee County residents who are experiencing poverty live in the 18<sup>th</sup> Supervisory District.

Supervisor Thomas is encouraging any residents struggling to buy enough food this winter to contact the programs listed below. These resources are available for both families and individuals, especially those that are elderly or have children at home.

- To apply for **FoodShare** (food stamps):
  - Call MILES at 1-888-947-6583
  - Visit [www.access.wisconsin.gov](http://www.access.wisconsin.gov).
  
- To apply for food vouchers through the **WIC** (Women, Infants and Children) program:
  - Call 1-800-722-2295 or visit [www.dhs.gov/wic/#apply](http://www.dhs.gov/wic/#apply).
  
- Contact the Hunger Task Force **StockBox** program at 414-238-6462 to apply for a free monthly box of nutritious food (for low income senior citizens) or learn about the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program. Stockboxes can be picked up at the following locations in the 18<sup>th</sup> District:
  - St. Peter's Apartments – 6550 N. 80th Street
  - St. Peter Immanuel Lutheran Church – 7801 W. Acacia Road
  - Church of the Good Hope – 8700 W. Good Hope Road

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