Even in the United States, one of the richest countries in the world, hunger and homelessness are widespread problems that affect far too many people.

## In the United States

Many Americans are living on the edge, forced to choose between basic necessities like food, rent, or medical care.

- **43.1 million** Americans live below the poverty level
- **549,000** Americans are homeless on a typical night
- **42 million** Americans are at risk of suffering from hunger
- **1 in 5** children in the U.S. live in poverty

## Worldwide

While there has been progress over the past thirty years, there are still too many people around the world who live in extreme poverty.

- **795 million** people do not have enough to eat
- **767 million** people live on $1.90 a day or less
- **6 children** die each minute of hunger-related disease
- **65.3 million** refugees have been driven out of their homes

*Statistics from hhweek.org

## What You Can Do

### Educate

Raise awareness about hunger and homelessness in your congregation and community. Learn more about the issues and how to speak out at pcusa.org/homeless.

### Volunteer

Pitch in at a feeding program or homeless shelter in your area. Ensure that local policies don’t criminalize homelessness. Join with efforts to create a local food economy that provides healthy food for all.

### Donate

Support local programs with food, clothing, and money. Contribute to the Presbyterian Hunger Program, which addresses the root causes of hunger in the U.S. and internationally. Go to pcusa.org/homeless and designate H999999.