

Putting Hunger Back on Our Policy Menu

In 2019, the White House proposed changes to the food safety net that could drastically affect whether Americans who are at risk of hunger will go without food. Over the coming year, many of these changes will go into effect and will lead to millions of individuals losing eligibility for food assistance. As the new decade unfolds, the issue of hunger fights for attention amid a fraught political environment. Recently, a coalition of over a dozen states, New York City, and the District of Columbia filed a federal lawsuit alleging that the new rules are contrary to law.

Hunger was not always neglected in national politics. Over five decades ago, the documentary "Hunger in America" broadcast the issue of hunger into American living rooms. Public outcry prompted major federal food reforms in the 1970s, which expanded and shaped today's food safety net.

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