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Win Calls For a State Of Emergency As Critical SNAP Benefits Expire Amidst Government Shutdown

November 1st SNAP Cuts Would Cause Millions of New York Children to Go Hungry

New York, NY - Today, Win, the largest provider of housing and supportive services for homeless families with children in New York City and the nation, is calling for a state of emergency to mitigate the dire impacts of the Trump administration's government shutdown on families who rely on SNAP benefits. Nearly 3 million people in New York State rely on monthly SNAP benefits - and the Trump administration's deliberate decision to cut SNAP will have devastating consequences for millions of families across New York and the country.

"The expiration of SNAP will cause an unbelievable hunger crisis in the richest country in the world. The Trump administration is playing a political game with real people's lives and we are about to see the very harmful impacts unfold as our neighbors and children go hungry. This is a deliberate decision by the Trump administration intended to inflict pain on New York's most vulnerable families, and will directly impact our shelter residents," said Christine C. Quinn, President & CEO of Win. "I am calling for a state of emergency to fill the funding gap, and for our federal legislators to step up so New York's most vulnerable mothers can continue to feed their children."

For the past year, Win has been sounding the alarm on the impact of federal funding cuts to housing and food assistance programs, such as SNAP, through Win's <u>Project Hope report</u>. To combat the dangerous consequences of the Trump administration's cuts, Win is calling for the City to add additional resources to the SNAP program in the FY26 budget, including \$10 million towards direct cash transfer programs, and for the state to dedicate \$1.5 billion in additional funding to SNAP in the FY26 state budget.

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About Win

Win is the largest provider of shelter and supportive housing for families experiencing homelessness in New York City and the nation, operating 16 shelters and over 450 units of supportive housing across all five boroughs. For over 40 years, Win has provided safe housing, trauma-informed services, and innovative programs to help families rebuild their lives. In the past year, Win served nearly 12,400 people – including over 6,700 children – and helped almost 1,000 families transition out of shelter into homes of their own.