Celebrate victory of the ***EFAP Helps*** Campaignby **thanking leaders in City Hall** for standing up for the Emergency Food Network! The Mayor and City Council agreed to a FY19 budget that increases baseline food fundingfor NYC’s Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP*)* by $8.7 million. As an agency that receives EFAP food, we know that this program is important to you and the community you serve. Please send a thank you letter to the Mayor, Council Speaker and your City Council Member today.

**Here’s how:**

1. **Print 3 versions of the letter below using the 3 addresses provided, on your organization’s letterhead if available**: Customize the letter as you like.
2. **Sign each letter**: The letter can be signed by you or another appropriate representative of your organization.
3. **Mail 3 letters**: Thanking our elected officials deepens their connection to your program and to the Emergency Food Network which serves New Yorkers in need in every community.

**Please let us know you took action sending by emailing** **advocacy@foodbanknyc.org**so we can amplify your voice as we continue to work to prioritize emergency food funding in the City Budget!

## MAILING ADDRESSES

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| **Letter 1** | **Letter 2** | **Letter 3** |
| Mayor Bill de BlasioCity HallNew York, NY 10007 | Speaker Corey JohnsonCity HallNew York, NY 10007 | [Find Your Local Council Member Here](https://council.nyc.gov/districts/) |

## LETTER TEMPLATE

[DATE]

Dear Mayor de Blasio and Speaker Johnson:

On behalf of [ORGANIZATION], thank you for prioritizing anti-hunger programs in New York City's Fiscal Year 2019 budget, especially the increase in baseline funding for NYC's Emergency Food Assistance Program (EFAP). I look forward to sharing these much-needed new resources with the community members who turn to us for help throughout the year.

I invite you to visit our food program in the coming year to see the life-changing impact of your leadership and support. I look forward to working with you, and I thank you for your work to ensure our City's priorities do the most good for those with the least.

Sincerely,

[NAME]

[TITLE]

cc: [LOCAL CITY COUNCIL MEMBER]