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Scott Marshall submitted a new eComment.

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Item: 3. 210135 Communication relating to public comments on the allocation and distribution of ARPA funds.

eComment: I live in Milwaukee's Cooper Park neighborhood. I think the ARPA funds should be directed to address hunger. It's the most basic need and our community getting back onto its feet after the pandemic is impossible until those needs are met. Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin is the largest food bank in the state, is located in the heart of the City of Milwaukee and is best suited to make the greatest impact quickly. Hunger has increased locally by more than 25% prior to the pandemic, when we already had a hunger issue in our city. We're going to feel the effects of the pandemic for years to come and this funding can greatly help shorten that timeline. I ask that we use at least \$10 million of this funding to feed families struggling in our city. FoodShare benefits are also an important and impactful way to keep these families afloat by providing access to healthy food and especially local produce. Please consider investing \$5 million in SNAP produce incentives to help keep the food safety net intact.

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