

No Child Hungry: Pediatricians Promoting Food Security

The **No Child Hungry** project began through a small, 18-month grant from national AAP's Healthy People 2020 Grant Program to address Healthy People 2020 Objectives NWS12 (Eliminate very low food security among children) and NWS13 (Reduce household food insecurity and in doing so reduce hunger). Our goal is to identify food insecurity, poverty, and health issues experienced by our OC families, and to assist these families in getting the support and services they need.

To do this, we are conducting the following activities:

- Development of a <u>project advisory committee</u>
- Collaboration with the <u>Waste Not OC Coalition</u> to develop a mobile application of their OC Food Pantry Map
- Development and distribution of physician education and resources for use during office visits with potentially at-risk families, including the implementation of a <u>validated 2-item screening tool</u>
- Coordination of CME education for our member pediatricians and local community partners regarding local issues related to food insecurity, poverty, and child health
- Coordination and implementation of 3 town hall meetings in different regions of the county experiencing high rates of poverty and food insecurity.

It is our intention to create a replicable model of this project for use in other communities both within and outside of Orange County.