

2015 Statement about the Federal Summer Meals Act

As an education consultant and resident of Georgetown County, South Carolina, I ask you to vote in favor of the Summer Meals Act. I have heard members of the community call what some of our children who live in poverty experience on weekends and during the summer as “food insecurity.” Unfortunately, this insecurity adds to the many other toxic results of poverty. Please vote for this program to help reduce food insecurity for students who qualify. I have observed that in Georgetown County many of our children are benefitting from summer meals through their involvement with our summer programs. These programs are demonstrating that we can prevent the “summer slide” in academic achievement and our community is committed to expanding our use of these programs. The meals program seems to greatly support these initiatives.