American Rescue Plan Impacts

Investments & Policies to
"Get Food on Tables" & "Strengthen our Food Supply"

M:R Areas of Interest:

- P-EBT is continued through the health emergency (Summer Meal program waivers continued, but no additional funding)
- 15%Increase in SNAP benefit amount through Sept 30
- Funding to assist recipients and retailers in using SNAP/WIC for food purchases on-line
- Increase WIC allowance for fresh produce
- Investments to help local food producers get their product to local markets, schools, children/youth programs and pantries

Creating the Case for Change

Child Nutrition programs need to meet all children's needs, year 'round - it's time to innovate, invest, modernize and adapt

- Child Nutrition School/Summer Meals, GusNIP and WIC will be "reauthorized" by this Congress
  - Importance of summer meals – cost effective balanced nutrition, P-EBT is for children that can not access meals
  - Purchasing power of WIC fresh produce allowance has lagged behind costs
  - Modernization of food access and supply needs to be fundamental to all federal nutrition programs