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Subject: Impact of COVID on the CACFP - we need your help!

My small business has been severely affected by COVID-19.

And over 1,200 survey respondents confirmed what many of us already knew: COVID-19 has impacted all CACFP operators and child care businesses with severe financial challenges. CACFP operators are in overwhelming need of direct and significant financial aid outside of current program funding. Child care and the CACFP community are on the brink of collapse and facing imminent threat of shutting down without it.

I urge you to print and read this 11-page National Report - <https://bit.ly/CACFPReport> - and act to provide financial relief that is desperately needed to ensure vital infrastructure and continued access to food for 4.7 million children and adults. The bill, Coronavirus Emergency Relief for the CACFP, introduced on May 12, 2020 by Rep. David Trone (MD) was by passed by the House as the part of the HEROES Act and would have alleviated much of the desperation the pandemic has caused.

Please ACT today!

Support Sec. 180002 Emergency Costs for Child Nutrition Programs During COVID-19 Pandemic as outlined in The Heroes Act.

Child and adult care workers are essential employees and vital to a strong America. Please help us manage the devastating financial impact that COVID-19 has had on me and the more than 200,000 CACFP organizations trying to make ends meet.

Thank you for your service.