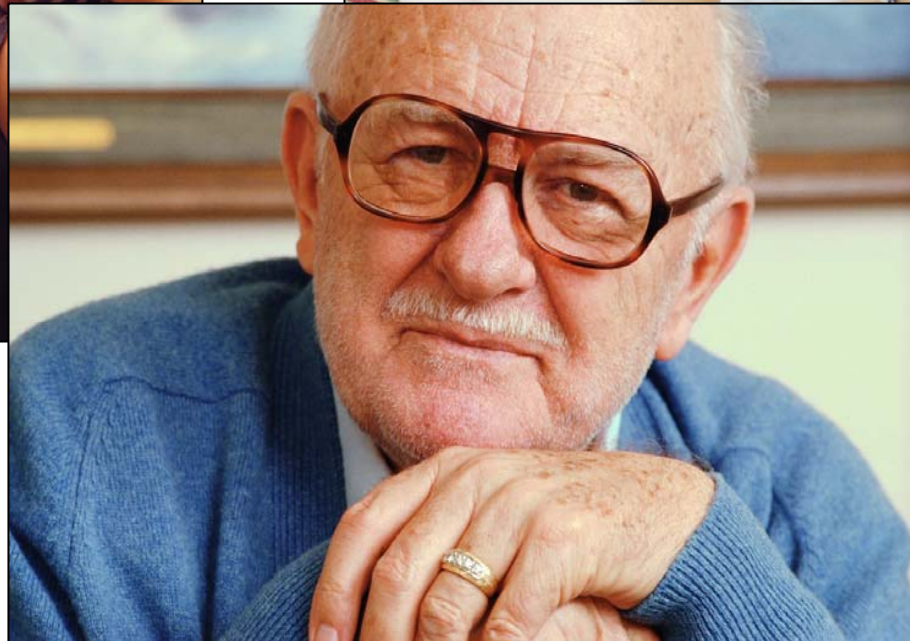
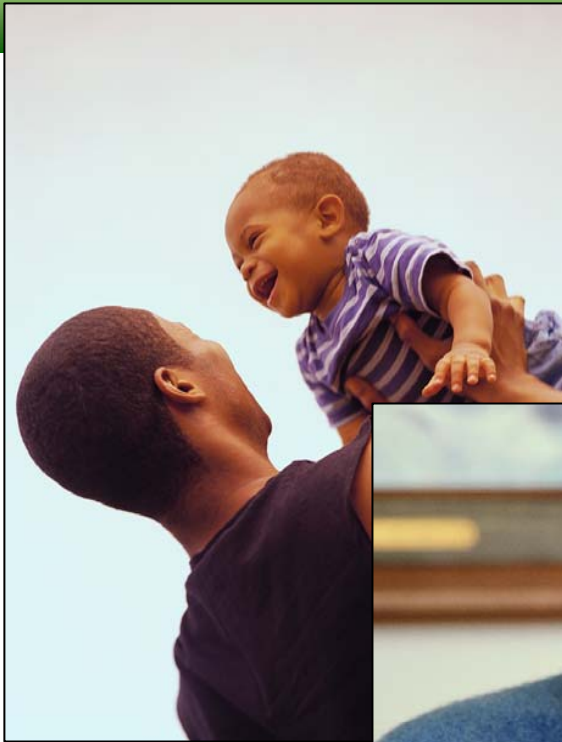


Which one is hungry?



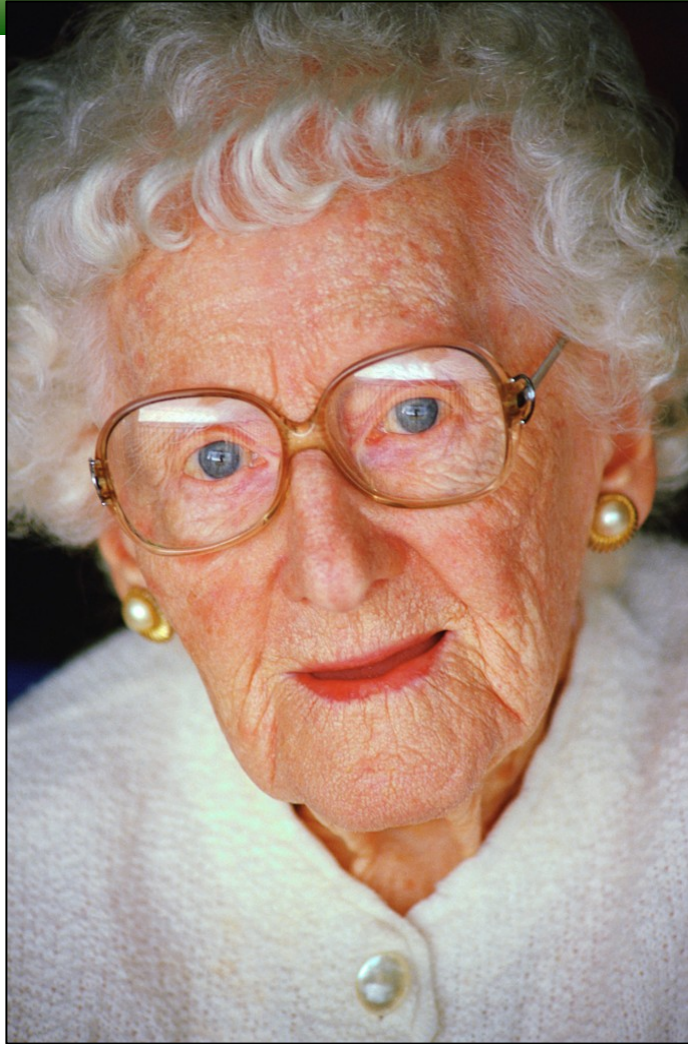
Which one?



The answer is....

They all are!

This is the face of hunger





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is to feed hungry people*

Who is hungry?

- Elderly people on fixed incomes
- Low income families with children
- The sick and disabled
- The homeless
- Those suffering from hard times
- People living paycheck to paycheck



How many in Texas are hungry?

- Texas has the third highest food insecurity* rate in the nation
- In Central Texas, 1 in 4 children and 1 in 5 adults suffer from hunger or food insecurity



* Food insecurity is defined as the lack of access to enough food to fully meet basic needs at all times due to a lack of financial resources

How many in Hays County are hungry?

- 15.7% live in poverty
 - 2007 Federal poverty level is \$20,650 for a family of 4
- Students who qualify for the free or reduced lunch program
 - San Marcos CISD – 62%
 - Hays CISD – 35%
 - Wimberley ISD – 20%
 - Dripping Springs ISD – 10%

Why are people hungry?

- Failure to make a “living wage”
 - Poverty Level vs. The Family Security Index (FSI)
 - Poverty Level measures income
 - The FSI calculates the actual costs to live in an area, including housing, food, child care, medical, transportation, taxes, and other expenses

Why are people hungry?

- What it really costs to live in the Austin/San Marcos area for a family of two adults and two children
 - Household hourly wage - \$22
 - Annual income = \$53,080
 - Percent of poverty level – 252%

40% of Central Texas families do not earn this living wage

Why are people hungry?

- **Medical and prescription bills**
 - Texas has the highest number of uninsured people in the US: 26% of the population = 5.5 million
 - 34% of Capital Area Food Bank clients report choosing between paying for food and paying for medicines



Why are people hungry?

■ Rent

- In the Austin-San Marcos area, rents are higher than any metropolitan area in Texas
- 57% of renters in Hays County spent 30% or more of income on housing

■ Temporary circumstances

- Injury, accident, or illness of some kind
- Lose your job or get laid off
- Over 40% of American workers live paycheck to paycheck so unexpected circumstances can lead to catastrophe

Hunger in today's economy

- The number of people served by the Food Bank in 2008 increased by 29% compared to 2007
- Food Banks across the nation have reported an increase of 30% in emergency food requests according to a survey by Feeding America
- Almost 3/4 of food banks are not able to meet the increased demand for food

Hunger in today's economy

- Increases in food prices, higher fuel prices, and unemployment were the main reasons people needed help putting food on the table
- Almost 70% of people reported cutting back on spending for food
- 62% said they were making more trips to the store

Hunger in today's economy

- Consumer Price Index – food prices up by 6.5% in 2008, largest increase since 1990
- 16 basic food items up by 11% in 3rd quarter
 - Potatoes up by 26%
 - Bananas up by 19%
 - Apples up by 10%
 - Cheese up by 9%
 - Cereal and bakery products up by 12%

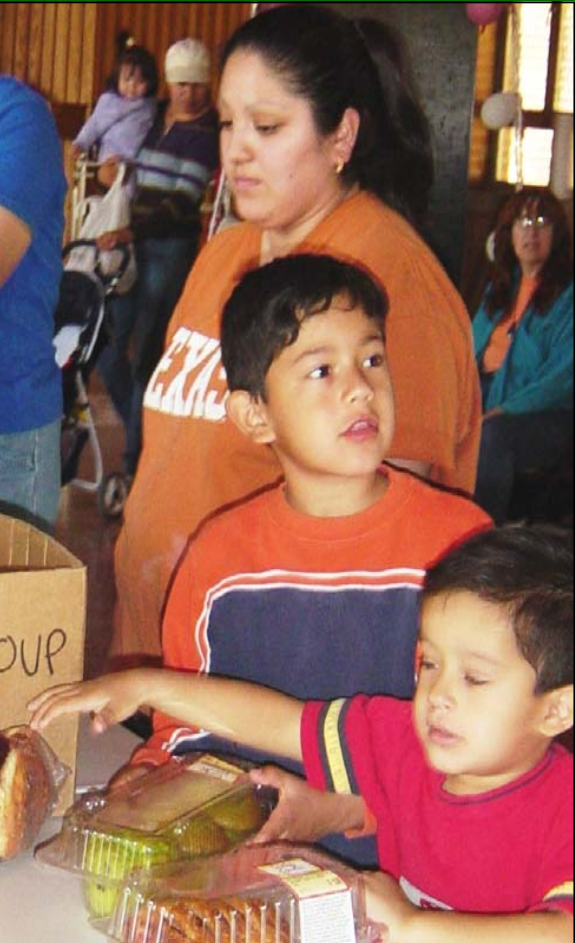
What the Food Bank does

- The Food Bank feeds hungry people in two ways
 - At public distributions of food, Monday through Friday throughout Hays County
 - In 2008, we served food an average of 3241 times a month to families and distributed over \$900,000 of food
 - Through local agencies that work with low income people
 - Last year, over \$400,000 dollars worth of food was distributed to over 60 local agencies at no charge



How can I help?

Donate



- **Contribute**
 - Every \$10.00 buys 83 pounds of food, enough to feed a family of 4 for a whole week
 - \$100.00 buys 830 pounds of food
- Give on-line using Paypal or credit card
- Mail a check to:
220 Herndon St
San Marcos, TX 78666

How can I help?

Sponsor a Drive



Grande Communications Annual Food Drive

Every dollar helps
Every can counts



H-E-B Help End
Hunger Campaign



Turkeys Tackling Hunger

- To raise money for turkey boxes, the fall campaign runs October through November
- \$20 buys a family a holiday meal



Each fall, the Turkeys hit the road!

- Learn more at www.TurkeysTacklingHunger.org

How can I help?

Volunteer

Give a few hours of your time to help those in need



- Help pick up and distribute food
- Answer the phone, help with clerical or yard work
- Clean the facility
- Work on special projects or events



How can I help?

Volunteer

Our volunteers donated over 18,000 hours in 2007



How can I help?

Advocate

- Speak up for those in need
 - Become educated about hunger issues and contact your lawmakers
 - Share with neighbors, co-workers, and community
 - Support local efforts to feed hungry people



Become an advocate for the hungry

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