

Write a letter to Congress today.

Be personal. A mailed, handwritten letter attracts much greater attention than does a preprinted letter, card or e-mail. Be sure to include your postal address on both your envelope and letter so your member of Congress can know you are a constituent and respond.

Request a specific action.

Ask your representative and senators to support broad reform of the 2007 farm bill to help farmers and to end hunger here and around the world.



Give a reason. Say something about your motivation; give a reason or state a fact.

Important: Ever since anthrax was found in congressional buildings in 2001, mail to Congress takes a bit longer because all letters go through a decontamination process. Here is what we recommend when mailing your letters:

*Send the letters to your members of Congress' Washington, DC, office. The DC office handles matters related to legislation; the local office usually does not.

* Assume your letters will take about a month to get to your members of Congress.

*After mailing the letters, call the DC office of your senator or representative through the Capitol Switchboard, 202-224-3121, and tell them the basic message of the letters and how many were sent.

Sample Letter

Sen. Ken Salazar
702 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-0504

Dear Sen. Salazar,

I am a member of the ONE Campaign, and I'm concerned about hunger here and around the world. Our farm policy impacts hungry people here in Colorado as well as elsewhere in our country and world. Unfortunately, current policy provides large payments to some farmers but does little to help most U.S. farmers and other rural families of modest means and can hurt farmers in developing countries.

As a member of the Senate Agriculture committee, you are in a unique position to shape the next farm bill to provide better and broader support for U.S. farmers, strengthen rural development and help hungry people in this country, while allowing small-scale farmers in developing countries the opportunity to make a living.

Please support Bread for the World's approach to broad reform of the farm bill, which is important in the fight against hunger and poverty at home and around the world.

Sincerely,
Your Name
Your Address
Your City, State, Zip Code



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