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## Join State Rep. Turco in the Walk Against Hunger This September

NEWINGTON — **State Representative Gary Turco** (D – Newington) is reminding residents that the 37th Annual Foodshare Walk Against Hunger will be September 13 through 19.

"Every day people in our community and state go hungry, and because of the ongoing pandemic, more people are experiencing food insecurity and relying on community-based services to feed themselves and their families," said **Rep. Turco**, who has been selected as a co-captain of the Newington Human Services team. "These are certainly challenging times, and our region's food banks and pantries are struggling to keep up with unprecedented demand. The Walk Against Hunger is a great way to get involved and directly help those in need."

The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Foodshare Walk Against Hunger raises awareness of and resources to fight food insecurity in Hartford and Tolland counties. Funds raised will not only help Foodshare serve the growing number of people struggling with hunger, but its partner programs like the Newington Human Services Department Food Bank. This year the event will be held virtually. Participants will walk 1.5 miles anywhere they choose, even in their home, any day during the week of September 13-19, 2020.

Participants can donate as much as they can afford to give. Registration for the virtual walk can be completed at <https://bit.ly/32HBxpx>. Those who want their donation to go directly to the Newington Food Bank should select Newington Human Services/Food Bank when joining a team.

More information about the Foodshare Walk Against Hunger can be found at [www.foodshare.org](http://www.foodshare.org).

Newington residents in need of food can schedule an appointment with the Newington Food Bank to determine their eligibility for the food bank as well as other assistance programs and resources. Residents can call 860-665-8590 to make an appointment. More information is available at <https://www.newingtonct.gov/2281/Food-Bank>.

The Foodshare Mobile Food Bank can also help families access food. The Foodshare van is in Newington every other Thursday from 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. at 84 Market Square. The September Newington Foodshare Mobile dates will be September 10 and 24. More information, as well as the 2020 Foodshare Mobile schedule, can be found at [http://site.foodshare.org/site/PageServer?pagename=2017\\_food\\_mobile](http://site.foodshare.org/site/PageServer?pagename=2017_food_mobile).

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