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**STATEMENT FROM CARLOS M. RODRIGUEZ, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE COMMUNITY FOODBANK OF NEW JERSEY,  
ON GOVERNOR MURPHY'S PROPOSED STATE BUDGET**

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Governor Murphy's proposed budget provides forward-thinking and responsible solutions to address food insecurity in New Jersey. I applaud him, Speaker Coughlin, and the members of our Legislature for their efforts to improve the lives of the more than 900,000 neighbors in our state facing the injustice of hunger.

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*The [Community FoodBank of New Jersey \(CFBNJ\)](#), a member of Feeding America®, has been delivering food, help and hope across the state for over 40 years. Last year, CFBNJ provided nutritious food for over 47 million meals through its network of more than 1,000 community partners including pantries, soup kitchens, emergency shelters, mobile pantries, and child and senior feeding programs. For our hungry neighbors, the Community FoodBank of New Jersey is the powerful agent of change that fills the emptiness caused by hunger and provides resources that are essential to earning a sustainable living.*