## National Commission on Hunger hosts public hearing in Oakland, CA

Oakland, CA (May 27, 2015) — The National Commission on Hunger invites the public to provide input on how to ensure Americans have access to sufficient, healthy food. Public testimony will inform the Commission's recommendations to Congress and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The 10-member National Commission on Hunger is a congressionally appointed bipartisan commission charged with developing innovative reforms in both public and private food assistance programs to reduce or eliminate food insecurity. The recommendations are meant to include ways to more effectively use USDA programs and funds. As part of



its information-gathering process, the Commission is conducting a series of public hearings across the country.

The Commission, in collaboration with USDA, RTI International, and the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, will host a public hearing in Oakland, CA on June 15, 2015, at the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, 1221 Oak Street, 5th Floor Board Chambers, Oakland, CA 94612 from 9 am – 4 pm PT.

The Commission will listen to testimony from the general public from 2 pm – 4 pm PT. The public and media are invited to the full hearing. The public can sign up to testify on the Commission website or on the day of the hearing at the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, 5th Floor Board Chambers.

To learn more about the Commission, the public hearing, invited speakers, and upcoming events, visit the Commission website at <u>https://hungercommission.rti.org/</u>.

To contact the Commission:

- 1) submit a message at <a href="https://hungercommission.rti.org/Contact">https://hungercommission.rti.org/Contact</a> or
- 2) send a tweet to the Commission <u>@NatlCommHunger</u>.

The Commission has held public hearings in Albany, NY and Little Rock, AR, and additional hearings are scheduled for El Paso, Texas; Washington, DC; and Portland, Maine.

For further information on this Oakland, CA event or other Commission activities, please contact Andrea S. Anater, PhD at RTI International at 919-541-6977 or aanater@rti.org.