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### **Second of four 2008 Regional Hunger Forums to take place in Rhinelander in October**

RHINELANDER, Wis. — One in ten Wisconsin households does not always have enough food. That means that more than 600,000 people live in households without enough food for good health, according to the Wisconsin Food Security Consortium (WFSC), a group of organizations focused on reducing hunger in the state. UW-Extension has played a lead role in the Consortium.

The Consortium has been hard at work since the 2007 Wisconsin Hunger Summit in Stevens Point, generating momentum for statewide action against hunger. Four Regional Hunger Forums in the fall of 2008 will build on the ideas and discussions that began at the Summit. According to UW-Extension Food Security Specialist and WFSC vice-chair Kadi Row, “The work of the Consortium and the Regional Hunger Forums provides a unique opportunity for individuals across Wisconsin to collaborate on strategies to end hunger.”

Participants are welcome to attend more than one Forum or to travel to the Forum which best represents their local needs and concerns. The Northeast forum, **Ending Hunger in Northeast Wisconsin: Setting the Table for Action**, is the second of the Hunger Forums and it will take place on October 15 in Rhinelander at the Quality Inn.

This forum will highlight the four “table legs” of food security: family economic security, access to affordable and healthy food (Susan Richardson of Community Garden Partnership will be one of the speakers for this forum), federal nutrition programs and emergency food assistance. In addition to a variety of breakout sessions, the day will feature remarks by Kadi Row, Jonathan Bader from the Wisconsin Community Action Program Association, and Vicky Selkove from the Wisconsin Council on Children and Families.

To register for the Hunger Forums or learn more about the Wisconsin Food Security Consortium, visit [www.WisconsinFoodSecurityConsortium.org](http://www.WisconsinFoodSecurityConsortium.org).

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