

**Petition to the Minister of Indigenous Services**

**Whereas:**

- Food security in Nunavut is a critical issue, with rates of food insecurity significantly higher than the Canadian average. In Nunavut, 57% of households experience food insecurity, compared to a national average of 12.7%.
- Child poverty in Nunavut is the highest in the country at 42%, compared to 18% nationally, and it continues to rise.
- Nutrition North has failed to lower grocery prices in Arctic communities.
- The Hamlet Food Voucher program and the Early Years program, funded through the Inuit Child First Initiative (ICFI), kept Inuit children fed, but was canceled without notice and without replacement during the federal election campaign.
- Restrictions placed on applications to Jordan’s Principle/ICFI in February 2025 are making it harder for Inuit families to receive support.

**Therefore, we the undersigned, Citizens of Canada, call upon on the Minister of Indigenous Services to reinstate the Hamlet Food Voucher program and the Early Years program in Nunavut communities.**

| NAME | SIGNATURE | ADDRESS (Nunavut community and postal code) |
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**PLEASE SEND COMPLETED PETITION:** Lori Idlout, MP (Nunavut) / House of Commons / Ottawa, ON / K1A 0A6 (Please use an envelope. No postage required)