# Yom Kippur: FAST Action

## No Holiday from Justice

#### WHY SOCIAL ACTION ON YOM KIPPUR?

Every day, millions of Americans go hungry and are forced to skip meals because of circumstance. On Yom Kippur, we choose to skip meals and go hungry as part of our Jewish celebration, but we are blessed to have the choice.



Even if our hunger lasts only a day, it is enough to make us aware of the challenge hunger presents to those who experience it. This year, take your experience with hunger and turn it into a meaningful action.

### **ACTIVITIES FOR ADVOCATES**

- Donate to MAZON in place of the meals you are skipping when you fast. You can also donate the amount it would cost to have an additional person at your break fast meal.
- Ask your friends and family to consider doing the same.
- Many schools and synagogues have a food drive during the High Holy Days. Make an info card about hunger or find a story of hunger at mazon.org, and distribute it to those collecting food. Educating your community about hunger is the first step of advocacy.

#### FOR DISCUSSION

• Engage in meaningful discussion about the issue of hunger:

Why do we use our fast as a chance to talk about hunger in America? Why are millions of people still going hungry? What can we do to help?

MAZON encourages you to take action to fight hunger throughout the year. No Holiday from Justice activities can help deepen your experience of the Jewish holidays. To request materials, please call (800) 813-0557 or send an email to outreach@mazon.org.

MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger is a national nonprofit working to end hunger among people of all faiths and backgrounds in the U.S. and Israel.

