

## Congressman Rothman Announces Millions in Federal Funding for Senior Nutrition Programs Throughout New Jersey

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— Today, Congressman Steve Rothman (D — NJ), a member of the House Appropriations Committee, announced over \$2 million in federal funds from the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to support senior nutrition program throughout New Jersey.

“These Recovery Act funds will make sure seniors don’t have to decide between paying bills and buying food,” said Rothman. “In these difficult economic times, older Americans are depending more and more on senior centers and home delivery programs for regular meals, but these programs are limiting their services or shutting down because of a tough economy. This funding will alleviate pressure on this vital assistance for seniors.”

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will receive \$2,771,348 in Recovery Act funding for senior nutrition programs. Across the country, the Recovery Act provides \$65 million for nutrition services provided at senior centers and other community sites, \$32 million for home delivered nutrition services delivered to frail elders at home and \$3 million for Native American nutrition programs. The funding is expected to provide nearly 14 million meals nationwide. States will award the funds to organizations that provide nutrition services in their communities.

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