



# News Release

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## **NMCC instructor to lead World Hunger discussion; Students join him in a “30 Hour Famine”**

*Aroostook County* - Northern Maine Community College students from instructor David Raymond’s ethics class are participating in a service learning project designed to lesson world hunger in their communities, in their country and in the world.

As in past years, while some students are taking on other service projects in their community, others are opting to join Raymond in taking part in the national 30 Hour Famine for Hunger sponsored by World Vision. Now in its 18th year, World Vision’s 30 Hour Famine for Hunger raises awareness and money to fight hunger both overseas and in the United States. During the 30 hours, participants will “starve for food” — the theme of this year’s effort – by going without food for 30 hours to experience what the poorest children and families face every day.

Last year, the NMCC community raised over \$600, and over \$12 million was raised nationwide. This year, Raymond and the NMCC students who are taking part in this effort will be fasting on April 24-25. Members of the campus and local community are asked to help them raise money by making a donation to support their efforts. Donations are being accepted on their behalf in the NMCC college relations office, just off the Christie lobby. Donations are tax deductible, and receipts will be provided.

In addition to raising money, Raymond is working to raise awareness regarding world hunger concerns. He will be leading a presentation at noon on Friday, April 24, in the Edmunds Conference Center at the College. Members of the campus and local community are invited to come and learn more. Consider giving up your lunch for that day, and bringing the money that you would normally spend on lunch to make a donation!

“Every dollar counts,” said Raymond. “One dollar can help feed and care for a child for a day. To help stretch those dollars even further, we have an anonymous donor who has agreed to match all money that is donated during the April 24 presentation.”

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