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Political involvement will help end poverty

Haley Hickman's letter, "There are starving children among us," spoke of helping starving children living in our own neighborhoods. He suggested, "Donate food to our local food banks, donate your time, donate something."

I strongly agree and would like to offer this suggestion to those who want to maximize their effectiveness: Learn about and join RESULTS.

RESULTS is a grass-roots, citizens' advocacy organization that has helped shift billions of federal taxpayer dollars to programs that are effectively helping people gain their economic independence and lift themselves out of poverty. The programs are helping people in every U.S. neighborhood and around the world.

While poverty is an economic condition, its solutions are political, not economic. Consequently, implementing those solutions requires political involvement, not economic charity.

RESULTS teaches volunteers how to use their own political power to build support among conservatives and liberals in Congress for successful anti-poverty programs.

To learn more, visit RESULTS.org. There are several chapters throughout the Bay Area.

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