

Rachel Sumekh, CEO and Founder, Swipe Out Hunger

Rachel Sumekh is the Founder & CEO of Swipe Out Hunger. The organization is a leading nonprofit in addressing hunger amongst college students.

Rachel's work has been recognized by The Obama White House as a "Champion of Change" and landed her on Forbes' 30 Under 30 list. Swipe Out Hunger began in 2010 with a few friends as a college project at UCLA. Their original model allowed students to donate their excess dining hall passes to their peers and they have since expanded their programming. To date, the organization has served over 2.5 million warm meals to food insecure students. Rachel authored the Hunger Free Campus Bill which has now passed in four states, sending over \$70 million to campuses to support anti hunger programs on campus. Currently, five additional states have introduced the bill to the floor of their statehouse.

This Fall, Rachel will appear on the new CBS show The Activist in partnership with Global Citizen. Before launching Swipe Out Hunger full-time, Rachel followed her millennial urge to change the world and served those facing poverty as a case manager in Chicago through AmeriCorps. Rachel serves on the board of her Jewish spiritual community, IKAR, and is a proud graduate of UCLA. She credits her upbringing as the child of Iranian Jewish refugees for her intersectional perspective.