



## OVERVIEW

Feed the Future, the U.S. Government's global hunger and food security initiative, is establishing a foundation for lasting progress against global hunger. With a focus on smallholder farmers, particularly women, Feed the Future supports partner countries in developing their agriculture sectors to spur economic growth that increases incomes and reduces hunger, poverty, and undernutrition. Feed the Future efforts are driven by country-led priorities and rooted in partnership with governments, donor organizations, the private sector, and civil society to enable long-term success.



At the 2009 G8 Summit in L'Aquila, Italy, President Obama called on global leaders to reverse a three-decade decline in agriculture investment. He also announced increased U.S. investment in global food security, laying the foundation for what is now Feed the Future. This initial U.S. commitment helped to leverage more than \$18 billion from other G8 countries and donors.

Led by the U.S. Agency for International Development, Feed the Future leverages the strengths of agencies across the U.S. Government, including the State Department, Peace Corps, Millennium Challenge Corporation, the Treasury Department, U.S. Trade Representative, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, the U.S. African Development Foundation, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- Nearly **one billion people** – more than one-eighth of the world – suffer from chronic hunger
- The world's population is projected to increase to more than **nine billion** by 2050, requiring up to a **60% increase** in agricultural production
- Research shows that agricultural growth is, on average, **at least twice** as effective in reducing poverty than growth in other sectors

## Results

Feed the Future aims to assist millions of vulnerable women, children, and family members – mostly smallholder farmers – to escape hunger and poverty, while also reaching significant numbers of children with highly effective nutrition interventions to prevent stunting and child mortality.

## Looking Forward

At the 2012 Camp David Summit, G8 and African leaders committed to the New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition, the next phase of our shared commitment to achieving global food security. The New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition is a shared commitment to achieve sustained and inclusive agricultural growth and raise 50 million people out of poverty over the next 10 years by aligning the commitments of Africa's leadership to drive effective country plans and policies for food security; the commitments of private sector partners to increase investments where the conditions are right; and the commitments of the G8 to expand Africa's potential for rapid and sustainable agricultural growth. As a G8 member, the United States contributes to this new global partnership through whole-of-government efforts such as Feed the Future.

### OUR PATH TO SUCCESS

Feed the Future will catalyze broad-based economic growth while reducing hunger and poverty by:

- Investing in the transformation of agricultural systems and nutritional outcomes in 19 focus countries by supporting **country-owned** plans for results-based programs and partnerships while promoting transparency, democracy, and good governance.
- Promoting **economic growth** through improved linkages along the entire value chain – from farm to market – by improving connections to local, regional, and global markets, promoting sustainable intensification, and supporting an enabling environment for agricultural trade to minimize the impact of food price hikes.
- Strengthening **strategic coordination** to mobilize and align the resources of diverse partners and stakeholders – including the private sector, civil society, and multilateral institutions.
- Ensuring an **integrated approach** that accelerates inclusive agriculture-led growth, reduces undernutrition, and increases the impact of humanitarian food assistance.
- Delivering on sustained and **accountable** commitments through robust monitoring and evaluation systems.