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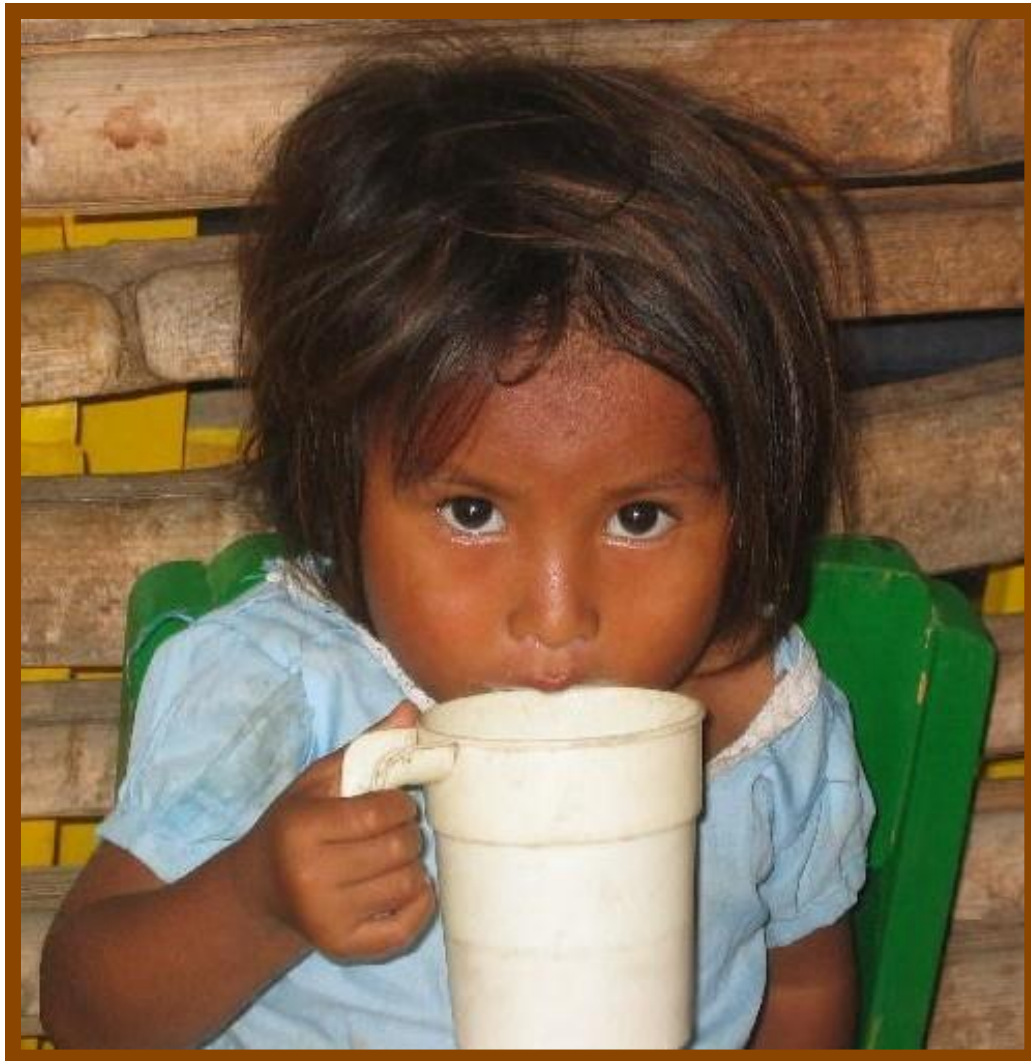
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Global Food Security.....

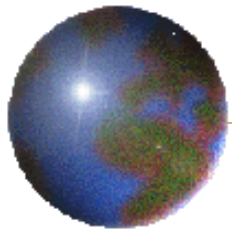
What Can We Share?



Ag Forum 2012

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Deputy Under Secretary
Food, Nutrition, and Consumer
Services

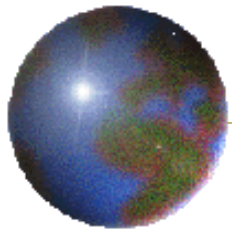




The Global Nutrition Challenge

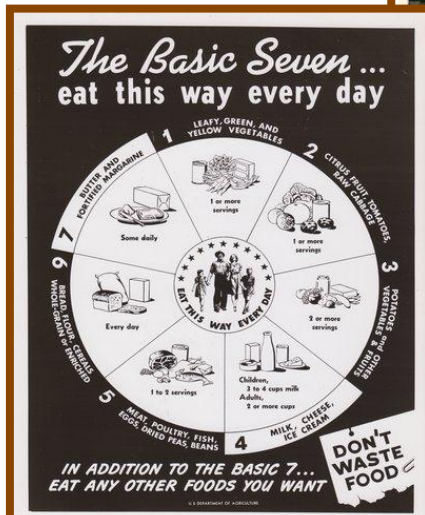


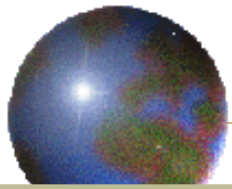
- ✦ 925 million people are undernourished
- ✦ 300 million children suffer from chronic hunger
- ✦ 20 million children suffer from severe acute malnutrition
- ✦ 130 million children do not attend school



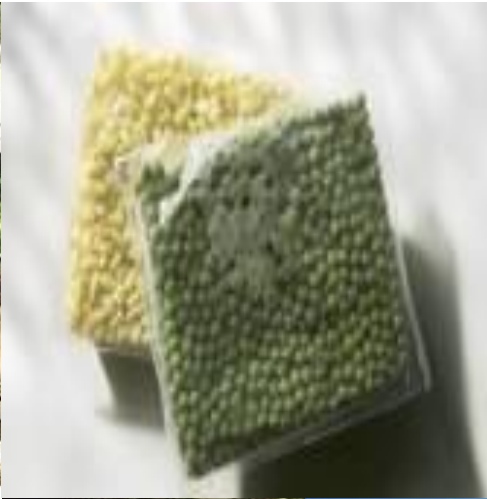
US Nutrition Safety Net History

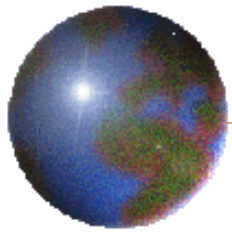
- ✪ The Food Stamp Plan
- ✪ The Needy Family Program
- ✪ School Feeding





US FNCS Programs Today

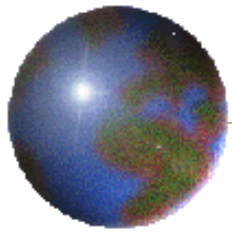




We Share--and We Learn

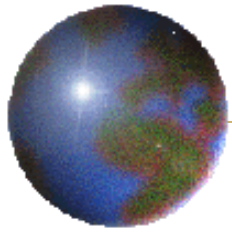
- ❏ Build state, local and community partnership
- ❏ Strengthen food safety system
- ❏ Provide nutrition education and increase access to social safety net
- ❏ Integrate health, nutrition and agriculture
- ❏ Share FNS's domestic food assistance models/system, practices and lessons learned



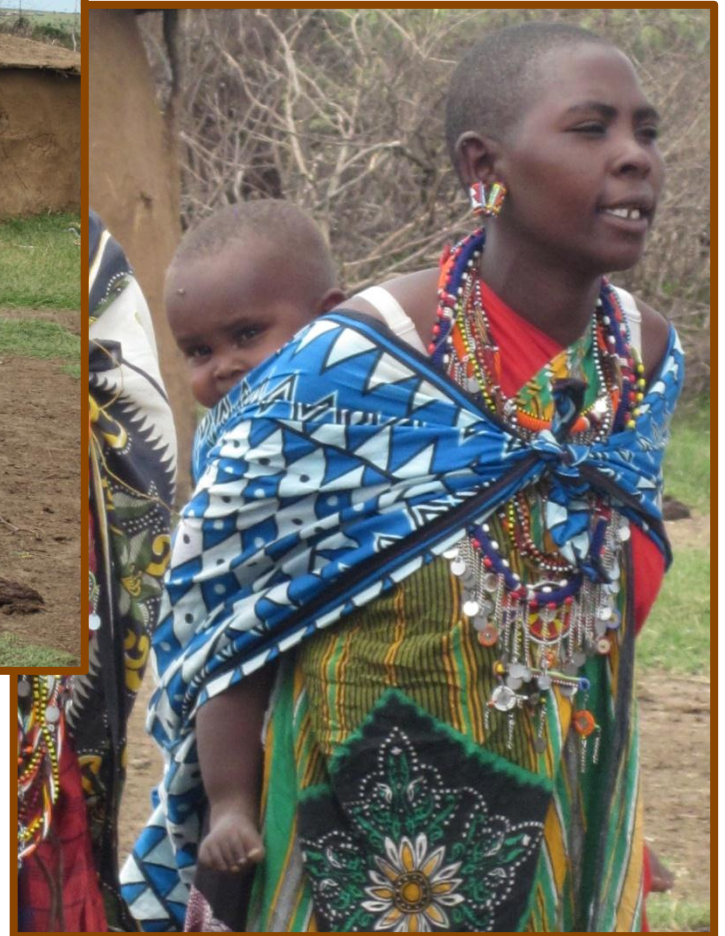


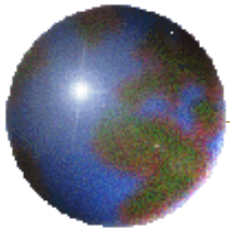
Visits to US Programs





Women, Infants and Children (WIC)



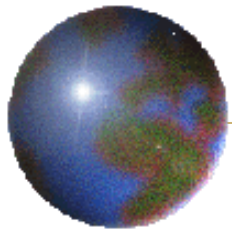


Food Aid



- ✦ United States is the largest food donor, contributing over half of all food aid annually to alleviate hunger and support development.
- ✦ \$317, 965,897 to WFP in 2010
- ✦ Expanding approaches

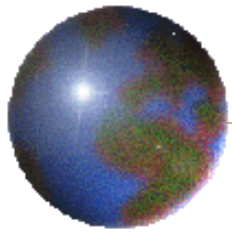




McGovern- Dole International Food for Education

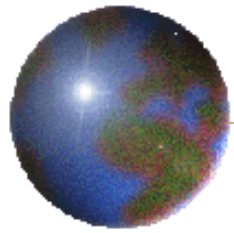


- ✦ Promotes education, health and food security in low literacy countries and low completion-rate in primary schools
- ✦ Countries that are committed to universal education
- ✦ Provides donations of US agricultural products, financial and TA to support school feeding



School feeding programs...

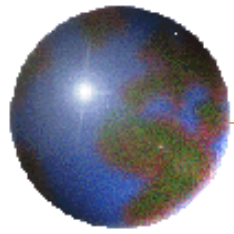




A Sustainable School Feeding Program...

- ✦ A planned transition to government ownership
- ✦ Nationally led school feeding program, backed by political will
- ✦ The food for a school feeding program is produced and purchased locally.
- ✦ Local food procurement, food processing and fortification that stimulates local food economies





Link Agriculture, Food and Nutrition

School feeding supply chain

Organization
of farmers

Production
capacity

Wholesale,
trading

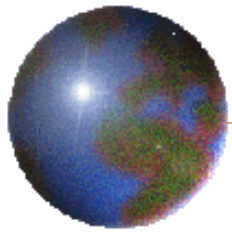
Transportation
& Storage

Processing &
distribution
to schools

Food
Preparation

Distribution
To Children

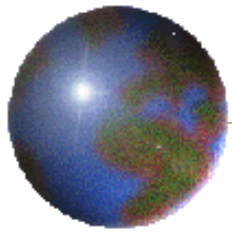




Quality Benchmarks for School Feeding

- ✦ Sound alignment with the national policy framework
- ✦ Stable funding and budgeting
- ✦ Needs-based, cost effective quality program design
- ✦ Strong institutional arrangements for implementation, monitoring and accountability
- ✦ Strategy for local production and sourcing
- ✦ Strong partnership and inter-sector coordination
- ✦ Strong community participation and ownership

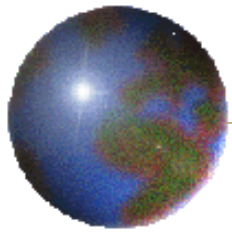




Build Networks with Farming Groups

- Farmers
- Processors
- Traders
- Cooperatives
- Manufacturers

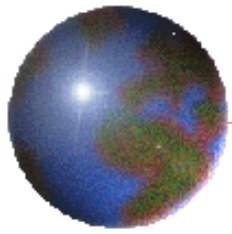




Challenges.....

- ✚ Ensuring food safety
- ✚ Ensuring proper hygiene practices
- ✚ Training
- ✚ Utilities

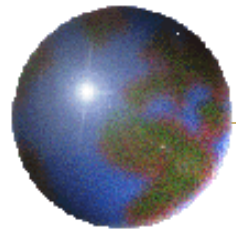




Benefits of School Feeding program

- ✿ Improve attendance
- ✿ Increase food intake
- ✿ Benefit farmers
- ✿ Build and enable the school feeding supply chain





Involve Community, Parents and Students

- Involve parents and community members
- Utilize volunteers
- Seek input from students
- Policy development
- Financial support
- Grow the economy





Thank You . . .

