



# FEED THE FUTURE

The U.S. Government's Global Hunger & Food Security Initiative



## NEWSLETTER

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### **Good News and Updates During Times Like These**

Since the start of this pandemic, our top priority has been the welfare of our staff and partners. We're also focused on flexing our programs and partnerships to mitigate COVID-19's growing impact on hunger, malnutrition and poverty.

Feed the Future **was born out of a major food crisis** and we are rising to the challenge again. Efforts to curb the spread of COVID-19, such as movement restrictions, are disrupting access to food and diminishing incomes. We're helping communities adapt to keep food growing and markets functioning in a safe way.

From continuing our vital programs, to new efforts to support partners to produce timely data and analysis to respond to COVID-19 and to help small food businesses pivot their strategies to keep serving customers, Feed the Future is taking action. We have also developed resources to help our partners better understand our priorities and work with us to respond to the pandemic.

To learn more about our efforts and guidance on responding to and mitigating COVID-19's impact on food security and nutrition, as well as opportunities to work with Feed the Future, please check out the updates and resources below.

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## **Supporting Female Entrepreneurs through the Pandemic**



Sylvia has a game plan on how to keep her yogurt business going during COVID-19. By working with Feed the Future and a business service provider in Uganda, she is pivoting her business model and finding new ways to stay open and safe during this time.

[Read her story](#)

Special  
Announcements



## **USAID COVID-19 Community Meetings**

Nearly 1,000 partners came together in April to discuss COVID-19's impacts on food security, resilience, nutrition, and water, sanitation and hygiene.

[Listen to the meeting recording](#) or [view the slide deck](#) on agriculture, food security and resilience.

[Listen to the meeting recording](#) or [view the slide deck](#) on global nutrition.

[Listen to the meeting recording](#) or [view the slide deck](#) on global water, sanitation and hygiene.



## **COVID-19 Resource Page**

For more information, guidance and resources related to Feed the Future's long-term food security and nutrition response, including the latest [Feed the Future fact sheet on COVID-19](#), please check out the page below. This will be our main avenue for sharing future resources as well.

[Bookmark These Resources and Tools](#)



## **Supporting Partners with COVID-19 Data Analysis**

A new Feed the Future effort is supporting partners to produce data and analysis to help governments, businesses and consumers mitigate pandemic-related shocks on global food security and nutrition.

[Learn More](#)



## **New Data on COVID-19 and Food Security**

Feed the Future, working with the International Food Policy Research Institute,

has published continuing analysis and country-level data on COVID-19's impact on food security and nutrition.

[Explore the IFPRI Hub](#)



## Call for Information

Michigan State University is gathering information on practical approaches implemented globally in support of safe and functioning food markets during COVID-19. If you know of any such approaches, they would like to hear from you.

[Share Your Approach](#)



## We are Hiring!

Interested in joining the Feed the Future team? We are hiring! Follow us on LinkedIn to keep up to date with the latest vacancy announcements. We have a few job postings closing this week.

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What We're Reading

A startup food-distribution company based in Kenya, with help from the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation, is using digital technology to make more food available for Kenyans while reducing waste.

### [Here's how it works](#)

Around the world, small- and medium-sized enterprises account for a large amount of employment in developing countries. Feed the Future partners are pivoting to support small businesses throughout the COVID-19 crisis.

### [Learn more](#)

The U.S. African Development Foundation, a Feed the Future partner, is responding to the pandemic to ensure that African enterprises and entrepreneurs are resilient in the face of challenges.

### [Read more](#)



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