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Opening Doors, Changing Futures

Feed the Future works to build a food-secure world for all. In the effort to end global hunger, poverty and malnutrition, we empower people, especially women, youth and marginalized groups, in ways that build healthy families, thriving communities and global stability that will last well into the future. And because COVID-19 disproportionately impacts vulnerable groups, now more than ever, it's important that we support them.

By helping them overcome barriers to accessing agricultural training and services, digital technology, credit, and land, we ensure everyone can capitalize on opportunities in agriculture and participate fully in society.

From cultivating indigenous women's leadership in cacao production to connecting young entrepreneurs to digital innovation to improve their businesses, the stories below illustrate how Feed the Future is opening more doors to transform food systems and create more equitable opportunities for everyone to build better futures.

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Cultivating Women's Leadership Through Cacao

Cacao has historically been used as currency within the indigenous Q'egchi' culture in Guatemala. Today, it continues to be an important source of income for farmers. Feed the Future works with indigenous, women-led cacao companies to help them grow their businesses and earn more.

[Here's how](#)



New Smartphone App Improves Shrimp Farming

Shrimp and prawn farmers in Bangladesh have the potential to earn a steady income, but this type of aquaculture requires precise techniques. A new app is delivering improved production practices and training to anyone with a smartphone – critical in the time of COVID-19.

[Learn more](#)



Breaking Gender Biases in Bangladesh

Livestock farming can help Bangladeshi women make a sustainable living, but socio-cultural norms hold many women back. Supporting women, such as Tuhina Khatun, to take on new roles can benefit the livestock sector and local economies.

[Read her story](#)



Back to Their Roots

Young people in Kenya are taking what they learn in urban areas back to their rural roots and pursuing better career prospects and higher incomes in agribusiness.

[Here's how](#)



Promoting Gender Equality Through Food Processing

In Senegal, gender norms can leave women with limited resources to pursue new business opportunities. Today, the instant flour marketplace offers a new source of income, empowerment and a sense of independence, all while changing community dynamics.

[Learn why](#)

More From Our Partners



The Nutrition Crisis Hidden Within the Pandemic

New data published in The Lancet shows just how big of an impact COVID-19 may have on children's nutrition globally in 2020. However, projections are not destiny. USAID and partners are rising to meet this unprecedented challenge.

[Check out how](#)

Why Inclusive Development Matters

Last month, Agrilinks highlighted the importance of inclusion in supporting all people to contribute to and benefit from the development of their countries. Our partners shared their stories on why inclusive development matters.

[Read more](#)

Girls' Education in Northern Kenya Paves Road to Financial Empowerment

Young women, like Makai, are learning and saving money together to invest in their futures and start their own businesses in northern Kenya.

[Read their stories](#)

In Case You Missed It...



Stakeholder Community Meeting on Mitigating the Impacts of COVID-19

More than 700 partners joined our discussion on how we can mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 on global food and water security and nutrition.

[Watch the recording](#)

Feed the Future Week

This year's Feed the Future Week will take place from September 14-18. Follow and use #CultivatingHope and #EndHunger on social media to keep up with our events, conversations and the launch of our annual Progress Snapshot. Join us to commemorate Feed the Future's 10th anniversary!

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 job announcements.

[Learn more and apply](#)

Peace Corps, Viet Nam Celebrate Historic Agreement

The United States and Viet Nam have reached an agreement to open a Peace Corps program in the country, with the first Volunteers expected in mid-2022.

[Celebrate with us](#)



Acting on the Call: Preventing Child and Maternal Deaths

Connecting to Young Producers to High-Value Opportunities

Locusts in East Africa are Threatening the Food Supply of More Than 20 Million People



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