



## Partners in Nutrition & Health

Cargill has contributed more than \$27 million in the last three years to support programs that aim to improve the nutrition and health of people living in communities where we have a business presence. Each year, we focus our efforts to support long-term solutions to hunger, increase access to health education and basic health care in developing and emerging countries, and improve youth nutrition and wellness. We also look for ways to leverage our expertise in food, agriculture and risk management to address the complex challenges of ensuring a safe, accessible food supply, particularly for vulnerable populations. Below are some examples of our local, regional and global partnerships:

### CARE

Cargill and CARE, a leading global humanitarian organization, have partnered for more than fifteen years to combat poverty. In 2008, Cargill and CARE launched a 5-year, \$10 million partnership to reach more than 100,000 men, women and children in rural communities with economic, nutritional, and educational opportunities for growth.

The partnership is reaching children in families in six countries and already providing life changing results. For example, in Ghana Cargill and CARE are working together to improve the livelihoods of cocoa farmers and their families in 70 communities. Since the program began, the average cocoa production has increased more than 60 percent resulting in better incomes and increased school enrollment for children in those communities. Fourteen thousand cocoa farmers have directly benefited from the program including Akosua Bempah, a 52-year-old cocoa farmer from Kunsu Cam. She says:

*“Now that I’m a member of a farmer group, it is the responsibility of the group to ensure that all members receive assistance on their farms at the right time. My income has doubled and I am using this money to support my (six) children.”*

### Feeding America

In the United States and Canada, Cargill has built a longtime partnership with Feeding America, a network of food banks that serve millions of hungry people each year. . During the serious economic downturn in 2009, Cargill and its businesses donated nearly \$2.5 million to Feeding America and its affiliates. This included \$1 million to support Feeding America's National Produce Program which made 19.2 million pounds of fresh produce available to people in need.

### Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition and the Flour Fortification Initiative

Cargill works together with GAIN, The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition, and the Flour Fortification Initiative to address critical nutrition deficiencies among children and families in developing and emerging countries. Cargill has provided both financial support and a dedicated staff person to leverage Cargill’s supply chain and procurement expertise for large-scale food fortification programs underway by both organizations.

## World Food Programme

Cargill and the World Food Programme have been working together for many years to improve access to quality education while improving the health and diets of school-age children. Through a three-year partnership in Indonesia, more than 37,000 school children in Indonesia are receiving fortified biscuits, access to potable water, de-worming treatments and training in hygiene and health habits.

One of those children is five-year-old Zainal Abiding who lives with his grandparents in Madura village, East Java. Both grandparents working as rice farmers and are required to leave early each morning leaving Zainal without breakfast and a hungry start to the day causing his concentration levels to fall at school. With support from Cargill, Zainal is one of more than 37,000 children who receive an appetizing pack of fortified biscuits, which contain essential micro-nutrients necessary for young children's mental and physical development. They also help increase attendance and performance. Zainal explained: *"Before the WFP biscuits, I used to feel hungry during class breaks, so it was hard for me to concentrate on the subjects. But when I eat the biscuits, I never feel hungry anymore. I can focus more and get good grades."*

## Local Efforts in Cargill Communities

Around the world, Cargill businesses are supporting local community organizations, charities, schools and food pantries. Here are some examples:

- A two-year \$140,000 commitment to Fare Share in the UK will help establish a new food depot in Liverpool. The donation will help FareShare promote its mission to relieve food poverty and find a solution to environmental problems of surplus but still edible food, promoting the message that "no good food should be wasted".
- In Brazil, The "de grão em grão" or "Grain by Grain" program teaches concepts about homestead farming and food safety, from planting to food preparation through literature and school vegetable gardens. Cargill volunteers give parents information about the program as well, on such topics as growing a vegetable garden at home.
- \$1.2 million contribution to support the refurbishment of the Children's Hospital in Efremov, Russia will help meet basic health care needs for children and their families.
- Cargill Kitchen Solutions donates excess egg products to provide much needed protein to address hunger in America. In 2009, Cargill Kitchen Solutions donated product valued at more than \$300,000 to Feeding America and other local food banks.
- Cargill's businesses Bangkok Thailand provided funds and volunteer support to local school for their sustainable lunch project by making a fish pond and a vegetable and fruit growing area.
- Cargill's businesses in Louisiana joined funds and forces to help the local food bank purchase delivery trucks so they can deliver much needed food and supplies to people in need throughout the New Orleans area.