Global Food Security......
What Can We Share?

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USDA
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
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