



Food for the Hungry Hires New CFO Keith Cowan

PHOENIX, Ariz. (January 24, 2019) – Food for the Hungry, a global development organization graduating communities of extreme poverty through sustainable solutions, has hired Keith Cowan, CPA as the nonprofit’s new Chief Financial Officer.

Cowan has a wealth of finance experience spanning over 30 years, working with PwC, Honeywell International, AAA Arizona, and most recently the Desert Botanical Garden in Phoenix. During his more than 11 years at AAA Arizona, Cowan was instrumental in helping the organization achieve significant long-term growth in membership, revenue and productivity. He holds MBA and BBA degrees from the University of Michigan with concentrations in Finance & International Business and Accounting.

CEO Mike Meyers noted he couldn’t be more thrilled with Cowan’s appointment. “After a long search, we are thankful and excited to hire a great team member like Keith with a strong professional background and heart for serving the most vulnerable. Keith is a seasoned financial executive and will play a key role in continuing to move the organization forwards in providing excellent leadership to our finance team around the world.”

Cowan replaces Barry Gardner, who announced he would be retiring after serving the nonprofit after eight years. Over the past half-decade, Food for the Hungry has grown to become one of the largest nonprofits in Phoenix.

“Serving at Food for the Hungry was incredibly attractive to me because I saw that this role would allow me to integrate so many aspects of my experiences, skills and passions toward supporting the mission of FH,” Cowan said. “Working to end poverty as part of a global Christian organization filled with capable people who love others is a real privilege and joy.”

Keith has lived in the metro Phoenix area for over 20 years, and has volunteered extensively at his local church and with other local nonprofit organizations. For more information about Food for the Hungry’s financials, visit the [Financials page](#).

About Food for the Hungry

Food for the Hungry is a Christian humanitarian organization ending all forms of human poverty by providing life-changing development programs, disaster relief, and advocacy. Since 1971, Food for the Hungry has been going into the world’s hardest places with an exit strategy: to respond to human suffering and graduate communities of extreme poverty into self-sustainability, all within a decade. By creating context-specific solutions in education, agriculture, health, livelihood, clean water, and conflict risk reduction, the nonprofit focuses on transformational development, investing in children as the key to lift entire communities out of poverty. With 98% of staff working in their country of origin, Food for the Hungry works side-



by-side with local leaders, churches, and families to implement innovative solutions. The organization currently serves more than 12.7 million people in over 20 countries worldwide. For more information, follow @food4thehungry or visit www.fh.org.

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