



FH Launches 2018 Annual Report

PHOENIX, Ariz. (May 14, 2019) – For nearly half a century, Food for the Hungry (FH) has been committed to seeing the end of all forms of human poverty through responding to human suffering and graduating communities from extreme poverty. As FH launches its 2018 Annual Impact Report, it's clear that 2018 was no exception.

In 2018, FH expanded our global reach, working in 3,176 communities of extreme poverty around the world across Africa, Asia, and Latin America. In addition, in responding to the unexpected, FH bolstered efforts in its relief and humanitarian affairs unit, responding to 17 disasters in 11 countries ranging from Cyclone Idai in Mozambique to the Sulawesi earthquake and tsunami that hit Indonesia. Over 1.5 million disaster relief beneficiaries were served in these moments of dire need.

Witnessing incredible strides towards the goal of graduating communities from extreme poverty, in 2018 Food for the Hungry also amplified focus on training local leaders and change agents, including:

- **97,840** change agents equipped, comprised of community members who organize and teach their neighbors poverty-ending habits
- **28,619** Cascade Group leader mothers trained, who teach family health topics of hygiene, the importance of education, and keeping peace in the home to other community moms
- **18,873** savings group leaders equipped, who lead groups that pool their savings together and give out small loans to each other

Fueled by our commitment to localized solutions, Food for the Hungry also continued to invest in the talent and development of local staff, reaching a landmark record of 98.56 percent of global staff who are from the country where they're working. This coming year, FH will reach even further as the organization launches a new community transformation project in Vietnam.

"Through your prayers, generous gifts, and God's grace, you've helped leaders and families work toward a sustainable, poverty-free future," said President Gary Edmonds. "Communities now live with renewed hope and vitality. It is thrilling to see communities take control of their future—all because in 2018, you stepped out in faith as together we follow Jesus."

Download the full report [here](#).

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



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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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