



## **STATEMENT OF POLICY**

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As a critical piece of the Alliance to End Hunger's overall strategy, we aspire to help make ending hunger and reducing poverty a national priority of the U.S. government and, in that way, move our nation and the world toward the end of hunger by 2030.

To that end, the Alliance to End Hunger supports legislation that...

1. Protects and strengthens federal nutrition assistance programs and supports hunger-free community coalitions across the country;
2. Supports the recommendations and priorities contained in the National Anti-Hunger Organizations' Blueprint to End Hunger;
3. Increases funding for poverty-focused international development and humanitarian assistance, including programs run by the U.S. and multi-lateral organizations that focus on hunger, nutrition and agriculture;
4. Supports the reform and modernization of international development and humanitarian assistance;
5. Supports scaling up maternal and child nutrition within the first 1,000 days between a woman's pregnancy and her child's 2nd birthday;
6. Supports the recommendations and priorities contained in the International Roadmap to End World Hunger;
7. Supports the Sustainable Development Goals, especially Goal 1 (End poverty in all its forms everywhere.) and Goal 2 (End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.);
8. Supports the Circle of Protection principle that the United States should not cut funding for programs that are focused on helping hungry and poor people in the U.S. and around the world;
9. Supports the U.S. Government's global hunger and food security initiative, Feed the Future, focused on sustainable development. Supports legislation that would make the core principles of Feed the Future permanent.;
10. Promotes improved job opportunities for low-income workers;
11. Promotes and enables: private sector investment; programs that include nutrition interventions; gender balance in leadership roles; local community & farmer groups; small scale farmer supports; context appropriate research & extension; local voice and influence in visioning, planning, implementing and evaluating; encouragement and support of young farmers and agriculturalists; rural access to information, policy guidance and sector decision making; environmental stewardship; inclusion of local assets and experiences when possible; appropriate program scale; in hunger eradication and international development consistent with other Alliance to End Hunger policy platforms.

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