



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 and other relevant policy-making efforts that address both immediate food security issues as well as policies related to solving the root causes of hunger. Ending hunger to improve health outcomes for vulnerable communities and ensuring greater equity in anti-hunger policies are of particular interest.

Therefore, the Alliance to End Hunger will:

1. Protect and strengthen federal nutrition assistance programs and support hunger-free community coalitions across the country;
2. Support the recommendations and priorities contained in the [National Strategy on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health](#);
3. Increase 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. Support the reform and modernization of international development and humanitarian assistance;
5. Support scaling up maternal and child nutrition within the first 1,000 days between a woman's pregnancy and her child's 2nd birthday;
6. Support 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.);
7. Support 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;
8. Support the U.S. Government's global hunger and food security strategy [Global Food Security Strategy](#) (GFSS), an integrated whole-of-government approach that aims to end global hunger, poverty, and malnutrition through the [Feed the Future](#) initiative.
9. Promote improved job opportunities and work support benefits to close the gap between low earnings and basic expenses for low-income workers;
11. Advance equity and makes targeted investments to close the racial wealth divide; eliminates disparate racial treatment and outcomes in federal nutrition programs.
12. Promote and enable: 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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