



# Feed the Hungry

Fill Empty Stomachs and  
Share the Love of Christ

— Worldwide —



If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

ISAIAH 58:10



## Project Synopsis

### Description

This project provides support for priests, sisters and Catholic lay leaders who feed the hungry in the name of Christ.

### Purpose

To fight malnutrition in impoverished communities while satisfying the spiritual hunger of souls through the transforming message of the Gospel.

### Our Partners

Catholic ministries and parishes that run feeding centers, Catholic school nutrition programs, orphanages, rescue centers, and food staple distribution projects.

### Location

Developing countries around the world.

### Highlights

- According to the World Food Programme, around the world, an estimated 690 million people are malnourished or hungry. Without help, poor families may even be at risk of malnutrition, which can cause long-term mental and physical damage, especially to children.
- In developing countries like Haiti and Guatemala, the Catholic Church plays a critical role in improving the lives of the poor, and food outreaches are one important way they provide relief. While these priests, religious sisters and lay missionaries are eager to provide physical and spiritual nourishment through school feeding programs, orphanages, rescue centers, community-based missions and local parishes, they often lack a steady supply of food to distribute, and they need our help to obtain those commodities.
- When Church leaders are equipped to provide healthy meals to needy families, they answer the prayers of the poor. As we also follow God's command to care for our brothers and sisters by supporting the Church's work, we empower this mission of mercy.
- We also work through our network of ministry partners to ship and distribute Vitafood, Cross Catholic Outreach's specially formulated meal packs that are specifically designed to meet the needs of the malnourished.



***Join Cross Catholic Outreach to fill empty stomachs  
and share the hope of the Bread of Life, Jesus Christ, with poor families!***

**“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,  
I was a stranger and you welcomed me.”**

**MATTHEW 25:35**



## The Need: Hungry Bodies, Hungry Souls

Around the world, nearly 690 million people are estimated to be hungry — that's nearly 9% of all people (World Food Programme). As a result of such desperate circumstances, parents struggle just to feed their families.

Imagine not knowing where your next meal will come from. Imagine walking in the shoes of parents who must resort to begging on the streets or sacrificing adequate shelter, education or medical needs in order to satisfy their children's hunger pangs. We believe those of us who are blessed with regular meals, decent shelter and options during illnesses have a divine calling and a wonderful opportunity to bring those same benefits to our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Christ.



Sadly, most people who suffer from food shortages live in developing countries. Adequate nutrition is a foundational building block to breaking the cycle of poverty that has plagued families for generations. Since malnutrition negatively impacts brain development and the ability to focus in school, early intervention is a key component of helping poor children succeed later in life.

*Hunger is ravaging our world and hindering the ability of impoverished children to break out of the vicious cycle of poverty. That's why we need your help.*

Cross Catholic Outreach partners with devoted Catholic priests, sisters and Catholic lay

leaders around the world who are feeding the hungry and sharing the life-transforming message of the Bread of Life who satisfies the soul, Jesus Christ. Our ministry partners meet nutritional needs through a variety of programs, including school feeding programs, early childhood nutritional intervention, emergency nutrition centers, orphanages, community-based missions and local parishes.

*The need is urgent, but the solution is simple. You can save lives by providing food!*

### Feeding Programs Around the World

Cross Catholic Outreach's ministry partners work hard to fill the nutritional needs of the poor. With your gift, you will support lifesaving projects like these:

- **Kobonal Feeding — Haiti:** Father Glenn Meaux and his team at Kobonal Haiti Mission distribute monthly food staples to the region's most destitute families.
- **Nanaacha Girls Food — Mozambique:** Sisters from the Namaacha center share the love of Christ with poor children by providing them with daily meals.
- **Dagama School for Physically Disabled Children — Zambia:** The Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi operate a school for the handicapped. Cross Catholic Outreach supporters provide daily nutritious meals for children.



## Save Lives One Meal at a Time!



When Jesus fed the 5,000 from five loaves and two fishes, he did it in a way that addressed both physical and spiritual needs. The poor around the world are crying out for nourishment, but they also need their hope restored. Your commitment to provide simple meals can meet both needs. Help the Church feed the hungry and renew their dignity. Sponsor meals that will demonstrate the love of Christ in a real and tangible way.

The Catholic Church has a rich history of manifesting the mercy of God to people in need, and this important mission must be continued. Your gift to feed the hungry will empower hardworking priests, religious sisters and Catholic lay leaders to deliver urgently needed food to those who need it most!

God has called his people to share our food with the poor, proclaiming his love while meeting a basic human need. Your financial support will empower hardworking priests, sisters and Catholic lay leaders to fill empty stomachs and proclaim the love of Christ, saving lives and healing hearts one meal at a time.

*Give today and save lives!*

### Our Mission

We mobilize the global Catholic Church to transform the poor and their communities materially and spiritually for the glory of Jesus Christ.

### Good Stewardship

We consider every gift we receive as a precious resource from God. We direct every donation to its intended project, provide honest and accurate reports to our donors, and keep overhead costs to an industry low. We handle funds with utmost integrity and hold our ministry partners in the field to the same high standards by asking them to document costs and the impact of their outreach. These detailed accountability measures have earned us ongoing accreditation by the following organizations:



The Chronicle of Philanthropy  
*The nonprofit world's No. 1 news source*

### Our Promise to You!

Donations from this campaign will be used to cover any expenditures for this project incurred through June 30, 2022, the close of our ministry's fiscal year. In the event that more funds are raised than needed to fully fund the project, the excess funds, if any, will be used to meet the most urgent needs of the ministry.

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