



The Global  
FoodBanking  
Network





Dear Friends of The Global FoodBanking Network,

2009 was a year of remarkable growth and achievement for The Global FoodBanking Network (GFN). Together with national food bank networks and independent food banks, our partner organizations, the food industry, civil society, and our many generous supporters, we took bold steps forward in our work to create new national systems, and focused efforts on increasing and enhancing the capacity of food banks worldwide. Working in new ways, we have been able to strengthen our support of the international food banking movement and build the momentum needed to deliver more food to more people.

Truly, in so many ways, we are creating a different kind of Bank.

The highlight of the year was undoubtedly the culmination of two years of work to create a national food banking system in South Africa. FoodBank South Africa celebrated their inauguration in April 2009, and within months had four community food banks up and running to distribute food for millions of meals. But they will not stop there – their goal is to establish 20 community food banks in urban and rural South Africa by the end of 2011, and to distribute food for 100 million meals.

The results of the planning and creation process are a remarkable inspiration. Through concentrated efforts over a relatively short period of time, GFN ([www.foodbanking.org](http://www.foodbanking.org)) was able to help unify voices and actions to direct resources toward effectively and efficiently addressing hunger needs in South Africa.

We are proud GFN was there to provide the leadership that made this system a reality, and we owe a great deal of recognition, thanks, and appreciation to the many hundreds of people, organizations, and government officials who participated in the national and local planning forums that brought this system to life and who contributed selflessly to this success.

Meanwhile, the work of sustaining, enhancing, and expanding the global network of food banks consumed our focus on many fronts. GFN is helping the 28 food banks in Colombia develop a national system; we completed a feasibility study in India, laying the foundation for much of our work and focus in 2010. We hosted our largest Food Bank Leadership Institute, providing training and networking opportunities to delegates from 22 countries.

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In the midst of all this great work and accomplishment, we are reminded that none of this would be possible without the tremendous efforts of the many individuals who volunteer their time to make food banks work. We dedicate this annual report to the thousands of food bank and hunger agency volunteers everywhere. Throughout these pages, you will meet just a few of our Heroes for Hunger.

Food banks are effective and efficient because people and communities respond to the needs they see around them and act to address those needs – that is the true spirit of volunteerism. As a global network, GFN is there to help make the efforts of dedicated volunteers successful, to give them the resources and tools needed to capture the abundance of surplus food, and to connect them with the international community of food bankers that provides best practices, support, and inspiration.

Sadly, this past year, we saw the number of people suffering from hunger and malnutrition top one billion. It is more important than ever that we work to spur innovation and growth in the food banking movement and continue to work together to develop practical solutions that can deliver large-scale impacts.

As additional government, foundation, and business funds are invested to achieve enhanced food security, we must do all we can to discuss the transformational and sustainable attributes of food banking. These realizations guided us as we completed a new strategic plan that will steer the work of GFN over the next three years.

Achieving large scale impact means we must develop food banking in many more places, while maintaining a careful balance to provide assistance to the existing global food banking networks. We must also concentrate on capturing more surplus food, reducing waste, and recruiting the support of more international food and grocery product companies.

The months and years ahead are sure to bring new obstacles and challenges as we seek to live our mission and vision. GFN is committed to providing global leadership to national networks and food banks. We are confident we can succeed as long as people and communities continue to come together to seek ways to help feed their hungry neighbors, while building stronger communities.

On behalf of GFN, we thank all of our supporters and partners who help make food banking work. To all of the food bank volunteers around the world, thank you for having the courage, passion, and energy to respond to the needs of those who are hungry and malnourished. Your efforts are making a difference in your communities, your countries, and our world.

We are extremely grateful to all who share our vision and commitment to building a world where all people have access to the food they need to thrive.

Sincerely,



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# NETWORK DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES: 2009 IN REVIEW

In 2009, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) reported that 1.02 billion people did not have enough to eat – more than the combined populations of Canada, Mexico, the United States, and the European Union. In the midst of a worldwide recession, The Global FoodBanking Network (GFN) made great strides supporting food bank networks and food banks where they exist, and by working collaboratively to create them in countries and communities where they are needed.

## South Africa

To meet the challenge of alleviating hunger in South Africa, donors responded generously to our efforts to create FoodBank South Africa, which became a reality in April 2009. Today, the country's four largest cities have food banks that help hungry South Africans by providing 1.2 million meals a month to more than 900 community organizations in need. GFN was instrumental in the Johannesburg Produce Market donation of space to FoodBank Johannesburg, Investec's donation to FoodBank Cape Town, linking Unilever and FoodBank South Africa and securing commitments from the national government to support food banks.



Children receive fruit and a sandwich from FoodBank Cape Town.

## Colombia

Similarly, GFN facilitated the creation of a new national network to support the 28 food banks in Colombia. GFN staff members and leaders from the Argentine and Mexican food bank networks met with representatives of the Colombian food banks and several of their key donors to discuss the merits of a national food banking system. The food banks voted unanimously to create a national network with Cardinal Pedro Rubiano Sáenz as President of the Board of Directors. Leaders from four corporations that are sponsoring the new food bank network – Unilever, Exito Foundation, Coca-Cola, and Alquería – were elected to the Board. Thanks to a grant from Procter & Gamble, GFN was able to purchase a new refrigerated truck for the Bogotá food bank.



### HEROES FOR HUNGER

#### Andean Region

**Dr. Julia-Elvira Ulloa is committed to sharing the business solution of food banks in the Andean region**

A Unilever executive responsible for corporate social responsibility, Dr. Julia-Elvira Ulloa has identified the development of food banks as a key factor in addressing food security in the Andean Region of South America.

Dr. Ulloa has worked for the Cali and Bogotá food banks in Colombia for 15 years to help solve one of the primary issues of the country: hunger. Serving on their boards, she analyzes issues that negatively impact disadvantaged populations and how best to address them. She is also working to eliminate the national tax on donations to nonprofits in Colombia.

In Ecuador, Dr. Ulloa has shared the benefits of food banking with different multi-national companies and is working to establish a food bank in Guayaquil. She hosted an Ecuadorian delegation that observed the operations at the Bogotá Food Bank.

When asked about hunger in Colombia and why she is committed to the fight, Dr. Ulloa said, *"A large percentage of our child population don't have adequate food for future development. To assist in providing adequate food for disadvantaged communities is my greatest motivation."*

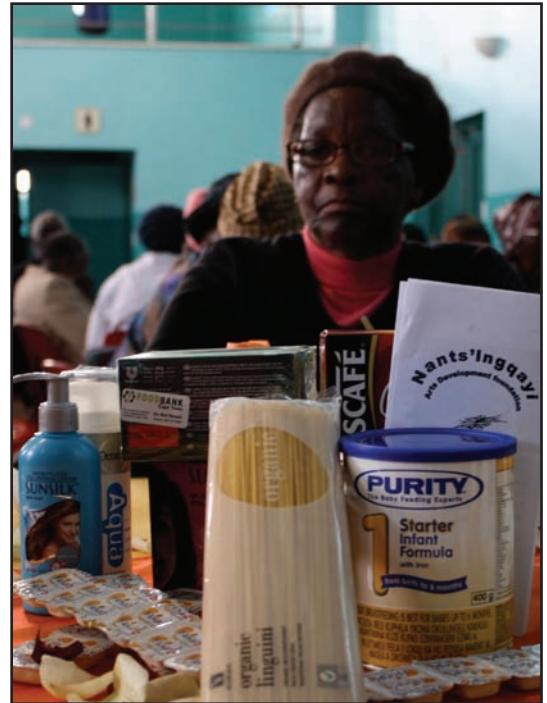
# FOODBANK SOUTH AFRICA

## A CASE STUDY

After two years of travel, breakfast, tea, and late-night meetings, strategic planning, consulting, and fundraising with hundreds of key stakeholders in government, the food and grocery products industry, and civil society, GFN and its South African partners successfully launched a national food bank network and opened food banks in South Africa's four largest cities.

GFN began the food bank project in South Africa with a feasibility overview. Among our major accomplishments:

- Establishing the South African Forum for Food Security to engage appropriate interested parties from all three sectors of South African society in the planning for the food bank system.
- Replicating the Forum structure at the community level in Cape Town, Durban, Johannesburg, and Port Elizabeth to engage the local community in designing the food bank operations for their community.
- Securing commitments from two ministries of the national government to partially fund the capitalization and operations costs of FoodBank South Africa and its evolving network.
- Partnering with Accenture ADP to research HIV/AIDS, nutrition programs and a village food bank pilot, and to research South Africa's food chain and build commitment with companies at all levels to support food banking.
- Developing a Memorandum Of Understanding with national government defining a partnership between government and FoodBank South Africa for the creation of food banks in non-served communities. National government assistance to encourage the development of food security in rural South Africa where 60% of the population lives in poverty, and access to government resources to appropriately support the expansion of food banking throughout the country.



Seniors receive products from FoodBank Cape Town.

*"It is our mission, passion, and job to help communities and countries create and improve their food banks. That is why, two years ago, my associates and I came to South Africa. Working with you, we have created the outcomes that we celebrate today,"* said Bob Forney, GFN's President and CEO, at the April 2009 launch of FoodBank South Africa.

*"We believe that food banking is not just about redistributing products. It is about ensuring that we give the people healthy, nutritious and well-balanced products. Our vision is to see an efficient food bank in each province in South Africa,"* said Theo Mxakwe, Director of Corporate Communications and Public Affairs for Nestlé South Africa, and a member of the FoodBank South Africa Board of Directors.



Government officials sign the inaugural MOU with FoodBank South Africa.

# Australia

Two million Australians require food relief every year - half of whom are children. Over 2,500 welfare agencies rely on Foodbank Australia, which distributed 17 million kilograms (nearly 38 million pounds) of food through a network of five food banks and eight branches. Foodbank Australia is called upon frequently by the media, government, and the food industry's peer body, the Australian Food & Grocery Council, as the expert voice of hunger in Australia.

In 2009, GFN welcomed Foodbank Australia into the global family of food banks. Their primary sources of food are donations from global food manufacturers, local manufacturers, producers, and importers. These sources are supplemented by substantial donations from food and grocery retailers, fresh produce markets and fresh food packing houses.

Foodbank Australia organizes unique collaborative partnerships for supply of high demand staple foods which can't otherwise be obtained in required quantities. These projects involve teams of donors, through which individual companies (manufacturers, producers, packaging companies) each donate a share of the ingredients or processes, required to manage a full production run of a needed staple food, such as cereal, baked beans, or pasta sauce.



Students enjoy a meal provided by Food Bank Western Australia School Breakfast Program.

## HEROES FOR HUNGER

### Australia

**Man on a Mission: One retired volunteer in Queensland Australia makes getting nutritious food to hungry families his new job.**

Foodbank Australia is operated by a skeletal staff of paid employees and an army of volunteers. In addition to the everyday heroes who give of their time to sort and pack food, organize food drives, and assist with distribution, there are many stories of extraordinary individuals who drive new initiatives and change lives.

At Foodbank Queensland in Brisbane Australia, John Potter is one of these individuals.

After retiring from a long career in the Brisbane wholesale produce markets, John began volunteering with Foodbank Queensland. Through his efforts, the amount of fresh produce donated to the food bank increased dramatically as John organized vendors at the Brisbane markets to donate their surplus product, rather than throwing it away.

In John's days at the markets he was troubled by the waste that occurred when produce orders were overestimated, and he sympathized with the farmers when they had to plough produce back into the land. He was always ready to assist the charities that visited the markets directly. But once the Foodbank was established in Queensland, he saw that any oversupply could be redirected to the one source that was in a position to transport, warehouse, and distribute that surplus effectively and efficiently.

John reflects, *"I worked hard and long hours at the Brisbane markets, but I was still in a position of being able to take time out to travel the world. I could see so many needy people."* He always maintained he would help in a more meaningful way once he retired.

Of his volunteer efforts with the Foodbank, John says his main mission

is ensuring that the recipients of Foodbank get access to fresh fruits and vegetables. By getting out to the markets every day and speaking directly with merchants, he ensures they remember that Foodbank needs their excess. As a former market merchant, he knows how much pressure the merchants work under every day, and his regular presence reminds them of an alternative to dumping food.

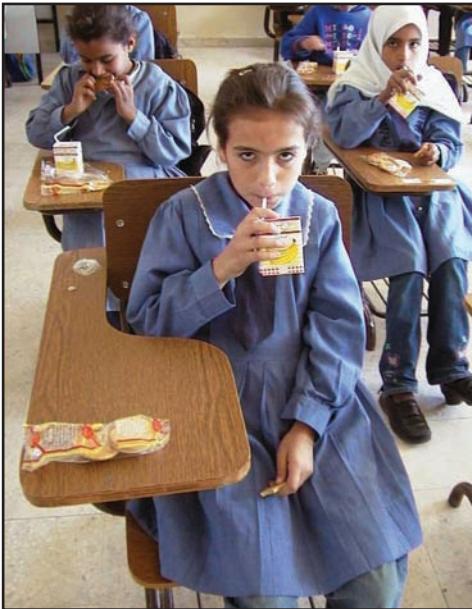
Today, 36% of all food distributed by Foodbank Queensland is fresh produce, and it remains an area of food donation with great potential. Farmers are increasingly frustrated with disposing of nutritious food that does not meet the high expectation of the retail market. They are delighted to have the option of donating their "not-quite-right" product, rather than dumping it or plowing it back into the fields.



## Jordan

GFN is proud of our work in Jordan where a new food bank opened in Amman to much fanfare in March. Her Royal Highness Princess Basma Bint Talal, chairperson of the Jordanian Alliance Against Hunger, delivered the keynote address before representatives of public agencies, the media, members of the food industry and the NGO community.

Two years ago, GFN initiated discussions of food banking in Jordan at a regional conference on national alliances against hunger and how they could address food insecurity. GFN provided mentoring, conceptual ideas, practical information, and advice on best practices and documented examples to the Jordanian partners as they developed their food banking plans. Warehouse space for the project was donated by Ministry of Agriculture and the volunteer team developed processes for sourcing and distribution of donated food and grocery products.

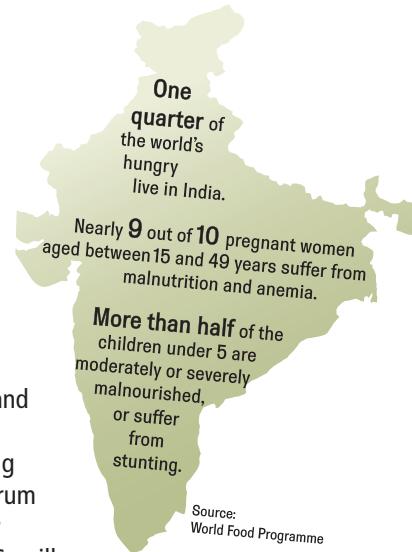


Girls drink milk and eat fortified biscuits in an Amman, Jordan classroom.

The general aim of the food bank and food pantry service is to provide access to food packages for people living in poverty, in particular pregnant, post-partum and breastfeeding women, infants, children, elderly and Iraqi refugees who are most vulnerable to hunger and malnutrition.

## India

In November, following a nearly two-year process of feasibility analysis, meeting with leading global food companies, site visits to feeding schemes, and project development, The India FoodBanking Network Planning Forum was launched in New Delhi. Sponsored by Cargill, the launch occurred during an intensive, half-day conference on "Food Banking and the Development Marketplace," co-hosted by GFN and our technology partner, Aidmatrix India.



India FoodBanking Network will be a system that moves food from donors to the people who need it most, and engages all sectors of society in this effort. The food banking system will feed millions of people each year, become a vehicle for building public awareness about hunger and nutrition, and serve as a powerful voice that drives policy decisions and initiatives that impact the food security of individuals and communities.

*"A lot of good work is already going on in India and many institutions and organizations are committed to this task. The launch of the IFBN Planning Forum will lead to interactions with each other to learn about innovative solutions and opportunities. It is critical as we grow in India at 6 to 9 percent rate, this growth must percolate down to the bottom of the pyramid,"* said Dr. Sam Pitroda, Special Advisor to the Prime Minister of India for Infrastructure Technology and Innovation who serves on the GFN Board of Directors.



Children in Vrindavan eating a Mid-Day Meal prepared by Akshaya Patra.

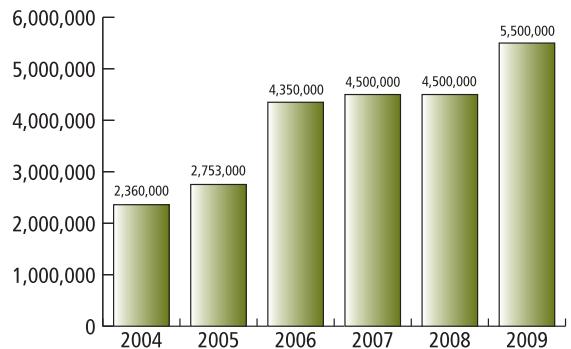
# SUPPORTING FOOD BANK NETWORKS AND FOOD BANKS

## Red Argentina de Bancos de Alimentos:

*Strengthening Food Bank actions and developing strategic alliances to reduce hunger and malnutrition*

**R**ed Argentina de Bancos de Alimentos is the national network providing food, funds, training, and services to the 12 food banks in Argentina. The Red trains and audits all of the food banks to assure the traceability and the transparency of the donation process, enforces quality standards, and manages partnerships with donors on the national and international level, including GFN, Molinos, Fundación Danone, Unilever, Grupo Carrefour Argentina and others.

In 2009, 5.5 million kilograms of food (20 percent more than in 2008, see graphic) was distributed to 1,050 organizations serving 155,000 people, primarily children. The network includes more than 3,000 volunteers and 50 staff throughout the Argentine food bank system.



Kilograms of food distributed by Red Argentina.



Volunteers at La Chocleada glean corn.

### HEROES FOR HUNGER

#### Argentina

**Volunteers take the concept of a food drive to a whole new level**

In Argentina, a group of creative and motivated volunteers started a project to increase their impact and generate a significant donation of food to their local food banks.

La Chocleada began five years ago with a mission to grow corn on donated fields, and with the help of community volunteers, make it available to food banks. A local small farm donated one hectare of corn, and the students of a nearby school, along with their parents and teachers, worked together on the harvest.

La Chocleada has grown significantly. In 2009, volunteers organized 11 harvests of corn. The harvested corn was donated to seven different food banks, and totaled more than 300,000 kilos of corn, equaling 872,000 meals. But volunteers went a step further and found a local company to process the corn that was not fit for fresh consumption and turned it into cornmeal that was also donated to the food banks.

Since the program began, more than 3,500 volunteers have helped make La Chocleada program a success. GFN applauds their spirit of service, and creativity in finding solutions that make a big impact. We hope sharing their story inspires volunteers all over the world to work together to create bigger and better food drives.

## GFN and Partners Assist Mexico with Capacity Building, Food Sourcing, and Logistics

In 2009, AMBA helped more than 1.2 million people every week with an average amount of food of more than one quarter kilo (one half pound) for each day of each week of the year. In Mexico, there are an estimated 19.5 million people who are hungry. The network rescued 121,775 tons of food, an increase of 40,000 tons in two years. However, an estimated 10 million tons of food is wasted in Mexico each year.

As a result of grants from Kellogg Company, Share Our Strength, and Procter & Gamble, GFN helped AMBA increase food sourcing and distribution capacity, thereby increasing the volume and quality of food distributed to their member food banks and ultimately to the hungry.

*"AMBA being a national network of more than 70 food banks across a large country with so many people suffering from hunger, we need the support and help of a reliable food banking international organization such as GFN,"* said Luciano Aimar Reyes, AMBA Executive President.



Procter & Gamble truck for Mexico.

*"GFN has been a strategic partner and friendly guide that has helped AMBA increase its presence among potential and current donors of food and achieve its first ever national distribution facility."*

The grants GFN made to Mexico represented investments in food sourcing staff, a national collection and distribution center with an 800-cubic meter cold storage unit in its Region Centro-Sur, and two new trucks. The new food sourcing staff have increased the amount of product flowing into the network. The new facility and equipment have allowed for an increased volume and variety of food distributed, particularly fresh fruits and vegetables and other nutritious product requiring refrigerated storage.

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## Israel Combining Forces to Fight Food Insecurity

GFN continued to support the development of food banking in Israel last year and welcomed the news of a merger between the country's two leading hunger relief organizations. Table to Table, which focused on prepared and perishable food rescue operations, merged with Leket: The Israel Food Bank, to create Leket Israel.

The new organization consolidates and simplifies charitable food distribution to agencies serving the hungry and acts as a one-stop-shop for food manufacturers, retailers, and food service companies to donate their surplus product.

The idea to merge both organizations was borne after Ron Guttman, Chairman of Leket: The Israel Food Bank, attended the 2009 H-E-B/GFN Food Bank Leadership Institute. With the two operations combined, Leket Israel will:

- Rescue and distribute cooked food from banquet halls, catering companies, hotels, restaurants, and army bases that would otherwise be thrown out.
- Buy food as a cooperative, uniting nonprofit organizations to leverage their purchasing power and significantly reduce the cost of food.
- Distribute food to over 270 agencies including soup kitchens, pantries, school feeding programs, and other non-profit organizations.

Last year, the two organizations working separately distributed 25,000 tons of food to feed hungry families. Working together, the goal is to increase food donations and the distribution of an estimated 140,000 tons of food needed to provide for the 1.7 million people in need of food assistance in Israel.

## FEEDING SCHOOL CHILDREN

The GFN Feeding School Children program is a result of the recognition that the global economic crisis has forced the elimination of school feeding programs or prevented them from forming in many countries, with the consequence that more children have been, and are being, pushed into hunger. In 2009 we worked to generate resources to expand school feeding efforts in India and South Africa.

Made possible by a generous grant from Cargill, GFN provided support to the Bangalore-based Akshaya Patra Foundation, India's largest Mid-Day Meal provider. Each school day, more than a million children in over 7,000 schools across eight Indian states eagerly await the mobile truck that brings their freshly prepared midday meal. For many of them this is their first, and perhaps only, meal of the day. The promise of an ample hot lunch brings them to school on a regular basis.

In 2009 Akshaya Patra celebrated an important milestone - feeding one million underprivileged children every day. Because of their intensive use of technology and efficiency of their operations, it only costs \$28 to feed a child daily for the entire school year. With an average government subsidy at 50 percent, \$28 feeds two children. Their largest kitchen prepares 181,000 meals daily in less than five hours. The funding provided by GFN will feed about 108,000 children for 20 days from their Vrindavan kitchen.



Akshaya Patra produces meals at Vrindavan Kitchen.

*"Empowering children with nutrition and education is crucial to the development of a secure, healthy and productive society. We applaud Global FoodBanking Network for their Feeding School Children initiative and assuring that hunger is not a barrier to education and children reaching their full potential," said Madhu Sridhar, President and CEO of Akshaya Patra USA.*



South Africa's Lunch Buddies Program.

In South Africa, 50,000 children are receiving a lunch at school through Lunch Buddies. GFN worked with FoodBank South Africa, The Fresh Produce Exporters Association, and the Ministry of Education to pilot the program. The design of the program also educates and sensitizes thousands of children from more affluent regions of the country about the extent of the hunger problem in their country and the need for all citizens to engage in addressing it.

GFN believes that these initiatives advance the value of food banking. More children are being fed and will be fed in the days and years ahead.

## FOOD BANK LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Thirty-eight delegates from 22 countries traveled from far and wide last year to share a commitment to reducing hunger in their local communities through the advancement of food banking. A range of leadership from food banking and the food and grocery products industry provided an informative, motivating, and rewarding five-day experience for the participants.

Food bank professionals from the Americas, the Middle East, Africa, and for the first time, Europe attended the H-E-B/GFN Food Bank Leadership Institute in San Antonio. H-E-B, Kraft Foods, Kellogg Company, and Cargill sponsored the third-annual gathering.

Annie Javerzac of the European Federation of Food Banks (FEBA), shared some of her experiences and reflections from the Leadership Institute. "This was the opportunity to go through many topics, mainly focused on food waste, sourcing, funding and interfacing with the food industry and local charity associations. These exhaustive reviews, although not fully applicable everywhere, were of great interest as they brought ideas to each of us what could be achieved or adapted taking into account the local situations. This is valuable know-how for everyone and a path for improvement," she said.

Among the topics and presentations were:

- The Food Bank as a Community Asset; presented by Eric Cooper, President and CEO, of the San Antonio Food Bank, a member of Feeding America.
- Building a Strong Funding Base; presented by Jaynee Day, Second Harvest Food Bank of Middle Tennessee and a GFN Board Member.
- Building a National Network; presented by Katharine Schmidt from Food Bank Canada.
- Produce Industry in Mexico; presented by Ricardo Bon Echavarría from AMBA.
- Public Policy from a Global Perspective; presented by Max Finberg, formerly of The Alliance to End Hunger, now an official with the United States Department of Agriculture.



Food Bank representatives from 22 countries gather during the H-E-B/GFN Leadership Institute press conference.



Latin American delegates from Argentina and Guatemala.

A highlight of the week was the visit to H-E-B's Reclamation Center. H-E-B, with sales of more than \$15 billion, operates more than 300 stores in Texas and Mexico.

Marko Urdzik, President of FoodBank Slovakia, said, "The San Antonio workshops and tours provided me with a lot of useful information and experiences. We have reached an agreement with Tesco to receive all of their reclamation products for our food bank."

Feeding America, the leading hunger-relief charity in the US that provides low-income individuals and families with the fuel to survive and thrive, has played an invaluable role in the success of the H-E-B/GFN Food Bank Leadership Institute. Each year, by sharing their expertise in food banking, food sourcing and logistics, and opening the doors of the San Antonio Food Bank, delegates from numerous countries better understand how to create and improve food bank operations.

## FOOD SOURCING

The relationship between GFN and the food and grocery industry is a mutually beneficial one. GFN food banks provide a safe and reliable food distribution channel for the food and grocery industry, and the industry uses that channel to funnel product that is unmarketable but still acceptable for human consumption. Each day, because of this symbiotic relationship, tens of millions of hungry people around the world receive a meal rather than go hungry. And by choosing this ethical alternative, the food and grocery industry saves hundreds of millions of kilograms of product from landfills around the world.

GFN serves as the conduit between global food and grocery companies and local food banks. In addition to establishing relationships with multinational food and grocery companies, GFN provides support and guidance to food banks around the world. In 2009, GFN helped Argentine and Mexican food bank staff expand their food sourcing programs and acquire more food and grocery product donations, resulting in new donors, new innovative programs, and most importantly, more food for food banks.

Donations from grocery retail stores provide a variety of food and non-food items that are desperately needed by food banks. Rather than sending products they can't sell to the landfill, Dia Argentina S.A., a division of Carrefour agreed to begin donating their salvage product. GFN and Wal-Mart have also been working together to increase product donations to food banks beyond the United States. During a meeting with Wal-Mart Buenos Aires, Wal-Mart representatives agreed to begin a pilot program for donations of products close to expiration, much like they do in Mexico. The goal is to expand the pilot program to all 33 stores and supercenters in Argentina.

GFN supports food banks in their efforts to expand relationships with existing donors, and to bring on companies that have not yet begun to use the food bank network. One such example is General Mills. When GFN and food bank staff in Argentina met with General Mills, they agreed to take steps to initiate a donation process for products such as cereal and cereal bars. A similar



Children receive donated Nestlé product from AMBA, Mexico's network of food banks.

outcome was realized when GFN and food bank staff met with managers at Colgate Palmolive. The company was already donating to a number of small organizations, but was pleased to learn that the food bank network could begin to provide a broader, more efficient distribution system for their excess inventory designated for donations.

Kellogg in Europe, Heinz in the UK, and Costco in Japan are all examples of where GFN has worked with donors and food banks to open up food distribution channels to assure that unsaleable product reaches hungry people around the world – rather than the landfill.

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We extend our deepest gratitude and special thanks to all of the many corporations, foundations, and individuals who made it possible for The GFN to touch thousands of lives around the world during our fiscal year 2009 (July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009). Thanks to your dedication, The GFN is able to help create new national food banking systems and to strengthen those systems and their member food banks already in operation. Food banks across the world are feeding millions of hungry families each day, and helping to ensure greater food security in many countries because of your generosity. Though we have made every effort to list each donor name correctly, please notify the GFN Development Department if a listing has been inadvertently misspelled or omitted.

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## Cargill US\$1 Million Gift

In January 2009, Cargill made an exceptionally generous gift to The Global FoodBanking Network of US\$1 million to help deliver hunger relief around the world. These funds were used by GFN to help develop new national food bank systems, support existing national networks and their member food banks, and help school feeding programs. Through the generosity of Cargill: 108,000 children received mid-day meals in India; 50,000 children benefitted from the South Africa Lunch Buddies Program; food banks in 10 different countries were able to acquire needed equipment or improve their facilities ... and much more. In recognition of their extraordinary support, GFN now recognizes Cargill as a Founding Partner.

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# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The financial information presented here is drawn from the audited financial statements for The Global FoodBanking Network for the fiscal years ended 30 June 2009 and 2008, presented in accordance with accounting standards used in the United States.

A complete set of Audited Financial Statements and Form 990 are available at [www.foodbanking.org](http://www.foodbanking.org).

## STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

30 June 2009 & 2008

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 703,865	\$ 500,889
Grants receivable	-	50,000
Other receivables	22,106	764
Other assets	10,329	14,224
Total current assets	736,300	565,877
Equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$9,558, and \$4,168 respectively for 2009 and 2008	9,567	9,049
Total assets	<u>\$ 745,867</u>	<u>\$ 574,926</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 16,591	\$ 90,741
Project grants payable	25,000	150,000
Other accrued liabilities	9,553	25,015
Total current liabilities	51,144	265,756
<b>Net assets</b>		
Unrestricted	472,992	(245,126)
Temporarily restricted	221,731	554,296
Total net assets	<u>694,723</u>	<u>309,170</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 745,867</u>	<u>\$ 574,926</u>

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Years ended  
30 June 2009 & 2008

	<u>2009</u>			<u>2008 Total</u>
	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Temporarily Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	
<b>Public support and revenue</b>				
Public support				
Individual contributions	\$ 123,898	\$ 200	\$ 124,098	\$ 174,575
Corporate and foundation contributions Organizations	2,062,641	240,000	2,302,641	1,790,734
	31,301	59,720	91,021	25,684
Net assets released from restriction	632,485	(632,485)	-	-
Revenue				
Membership dues	-	-	-	36,000
Donated goods and services	547,092	-	547,092	786,210
Other revenue	15,968	-	15,968	5,881
Total public support and revenue	3,413,385	(332,565)	3,080,820	2,819,084
<b>Expenses</b>				
Program services	1,769,935	-	1,769,935	1,877,790
Supporting services				
General and administrative	692,614	-	692,614	751,139
Fund development	232,718	-	232,718	271,788
Total supporting services	925,332	-	925,332	1,022,927
Total expenses	2,695,267	-	2,695,267	2,900,717
<b>Changes in net assets</b>	718,118	(332,565)	385,553	(81,633)
Net assets, beginning of period	(245,126)	554,296	309,170	390,803
<b>Net assets, end of period</b>	<u>\$ 472,992</u>	<u>\$ 221,731</u>	<u>\$ 694,723</u>	<u>\$ 309,170</u>

The mission of The Global FoodBanking Network is to alleviate world hunger. We do this by supporting food bank networks and food banks where they exist, and by working collaboratively to create them in countries and communities where they are needed.



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