The Hunger Project.

Empowering People to end their Hunger

SWITZERLAND

Our Vision

One of eleven humans in the world does not have enough food to still his or her hunger. But this is not inevitable: Through true empowerment, women and men can end their hunger and poverty. We at The Hunger Project aim to achieve this empowerment.

The Hunger Project is a globally active non-profit-organization whose mission is to end hunger and poverty by pioneering sustainable, grassroots and women-centered strategies and advocating for their widespread adoption throughout the world. Our vision is a world where every human being can lead a healthy and fulfilling life of selfreliance and dignity.

Our Three Pillars

THP carries out its mission with strategies that are affordable, effective, replicable, and sustainable, based on three fundamental pillars:

- 1. Start by empowering women as key change agents
- 2. Mobilizing entire communities into self-reliant action
- 3. Forging effective partnerships to engage local government

What We Do

- In nine African countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Ghana, Malawi, Mozambique, Senegal, Uganda, and Zambia) THP has mobilized 122 clusters of villages (called *epicenters*) to work together to establish and manage their own programs for microfinance, health, education, food security, income generation and gender equality. Now more than 1.65 million people in rural Africa have access to epicenter facilities and programs.
- In India, THP trains and empowers democratically elected women leaders to be the key change agents for ending hunger and poverty in their villages. Until now more than 192,000 elected women representatives have been trained in partnership with local organizations.
- Across Bangladesh, THP trains commune council member and volunteer leaders, (*animators*), to mobilize their villages and strengthen the institutions of local democracy so people can meet basic needs. **Until now more than 5 million people have profited from our work in Bangladesh.**
- Since recently, THP is also working in Mexico and Peru. Here THP focuses on the people who are most marginalized, particularly indigenous women, and carries out strategies to end their marginalization and empower them to work in partnership with local government. By doing so we already managed to reach more than 30'000 people so far.

THP is sustained by a **global movement of individuals and institutions** – these *investors,* as we call them, are not simply donors, but involved partners and stakeholders in the fulfillment of our mission.

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Hunger Stats (2019)

- 690 million people are hungry
- Women are more likely to be hungry than men
- Every ten seconds a child dies from hunger-related diseases.

THP At a Glance (2019/2020)

- \$15.5 million USD investment to program (2019)
- 15.9 million people in 14,568 villages reached worldwide (2020)
- **320 employees** worldwide (2020)

A THP Hero in Action

Ndéye Loum coordinates a literacy class for 36 women in her village, who now know how to read



and write in Wolof, Senegal's primary local language. The class also serves as a forum for women to share about their challenges.

After being trained as a Hunger Project Women's Empowerment Program trainer, Ndéye carried out 30 sessions on reducing violence against women and early marriages throughout all the villages near the epicenter.

Her community members describe her as an "ever-present, tireless and committed individual dedicated to the development of her village and its surroundings."

