



The FSN Network is an open community of practice working to strengthen food security in households and communities through knowledge sharing and collaboration for improved programming and implementation.



Upcoming Events

[Building Adaptive Capacity and Resilience of Agricultural-based Livelihoods](#)

TOPS, Save the Children, May 15, 1-3 PM, Remote access available

[Care Groups Implementation Training](#)

TOPS, Counterpart International, June 10-14, Arlington, VA

[Better Evaluation and the American Evaluation Association Coffee Break Webinars](#)

Tuesdays and Thursdays in May

[Food Security and Agriculture Working Group Meeting](#)

InterAction, May 16, 10-11:30 AM, WDC, Call in option available

[Cultivating Organisational Resilience](#)

Interhealth, May 16-17, Nairobi, Kenya

[The Cash Learning Partnership Level 2 Training](#)

The Cash Learning Partnership, May 20-25, London, UK

[Webinar: Innovative Strategies for Facilitating Horizontal Linkages With Very Poor Producers](#)

SEEP, May 23, 9-10:30 AM EDT

FSN Network News

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There are many ways to participate in the FSN Network:

- Join an [online community](#) to share questions with peers
- Attend a technical [knowledge sharing meeting](#)
- Access tools from our [resource library](#)
- Follow daily news from the FSN Network on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#)

Behavior Bank Now Available on FSN Network

The Food Security and Nutrition Network [Behavior Bank](#) is now online. The bank features results from Barrier Analysis and Doer/NonDoer Studies conducted by food security and other practitioners globally. ([click here](#) for a description of Barrier Analysis and resource links.) You can browse the database by country, region, and behavior studied to look for results for a particular area/behavior, or to look for patterns of barriers and enablers for a particular behavior or set of behaviors. We welcome submissions of new studies from the community of practice. [Add your own study](#) to the Behavior Bank. Guidance on how to add your study is provided. As people add studies, we hope to map out determinants for key behaviors across countries and regions and learn from those patterns.

FFP Consultation: Changing from Implementation Year to Fiscal Year, RSVP by May 15

USAID's Office of Food for Peace (FFP) would like to hold a consultation with PVO partner representatives on Monday, May 20, 2013, at ACDI/VOCA's office (located at 50 F Street NW, Suite 1075, Washington, DC) from 10-11:30 AM to discuss the possibilities of changing from the use of implementation year to fiscal year only for reporting and budgeting (i.e., resource allocation). Based on preliminary discussions FFP recognizes that this is a complex undertaking that requires partner input including creative brainstorming to make the best decisions for the smoothest transition.

The change from implementation year to fiscal year may affect a variety of items, including but not limited to quarterly reporting, Annual Results Report timing, Pipeline and Resources Estimate Proposal (PREP) submissions and approvals, calls forward, as well as the timing of the Request for Applications and signing of awards.

Please RSVP to facg@amexdc2.com by May 15 - 12:00 PM.

LIFT Learning Event: Harnessing the Power of Cross-Sectoral Programming to Alleviate HIV and Food

Capacitación CaLP Nivel 2

The Cash Learning Partnership, May 20-25, Ciudad de Guatemala, Guatemala

[Fighting the "Hidden Hunger" Entrepreneurial and Social Innovations to Overcome](#)

[Malnutrition](#)

KfW, Ashoka, June 3, 7:30-9:30 PM, Frankfurt, Germany

[Assessing Public Health in Emergency Situations](#)

Centre for Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED), Université catholique de Louvain, July 1-12, Brussels, Belgium

Did You Know?

The Gender Based Violence Area of Responsibility has launched its website, www.gbvaor.net. The website was created to promote sharing and learning amongst field and global level practitioners.

New Publications, Guides & Tools

[Small Scale, Big Impact - Smallholder Agriculture's Contribution to Better Nutrition](#) from The UK Hunger Alliance

Articles

[Niger Offers Hope of Homegrown Solutions to Sahel Crises](#) from *The Guardian*

[Gender Equality Must be a Development Priority in its Own Right](#) from *The Guardian*

Insecurity

FHI 360, USAID and The SEEP Network invite you to join a learning meeting to provide practitioners and policymakers a forum for sharing sound practices for collaborating across health, nutrition, food security, economic strengthening, enterprise development and social protection programs to ensure the best possible outcomes for people living with HIV/AIDS and food insecurity. The event will highlight nutrition assessment, counseling and support (NACS) as an entry point to cross-sectoral programming.

Location: FHI 360, 1825 Connecticut Ave NW 8th floor, Washington, DC

Date and time: Thursday, May 30, 2013; 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

New Annual Program Statement for International Emergency Food Assistance

[Attached here](#) find the newly released Annual Program Statement (APS) for International Emergency Food Assistance, opportunity number APS-FFP-13-000001. This APS describes application procedures for emergency programs using Title II in-kind commodities, local and regional procurement, vouchers, cash transfer programs, or a combination of modalities.

Feed the Future Agricultural Indicators Guide Webinar Series

USAID's Bureau of Food Security (BFS) is developing a guide for Feed the Future (FTF) agricultural indicators that will focus on four key agricultural indicators, selected because they provide important information on the annual progress of FTF activities in agriculture and also because they present particular challenges in data collection and reporting within the FTF Monitoring System (FTFMS).

This series of webinar provides an opportunity for USG agencies and their implementing partners to provide their input and perspective on the real-life challenges encountered with measurement of:

- 4.5-15 Gross margin per unit of land, kilogram, or animal of selected product
- 4.5.2-5 Number of farmers and others who have applied new technologies or management practices as a result of USG assistance
- 4.5.2-2 Number of hectares under improved technologies or management practices as a result of USG assistance
- 4.5.2-23 Value of incremental sales (collected at farm level) attributed to FTF implementation

In order to capture as many voices as possible, the webinar will be offered at five different times from May 29-31; participants should register for only one session. To view the various times the webinar will be offered and to register, [click here](#).

FSN Network Task Force and Interest Group Meetings

Newcomers are welcome to attend the following meetings. Click on the meeting name for more information:

- [Ag Task Force Meeting](#), May 16, 11 AM EST
- [Gender Task Force Meeting](#), May 24, 10:30 AM-12 PM EST
- [Commodity Management Task Force Meeting](#), May 30, 10 AM EST

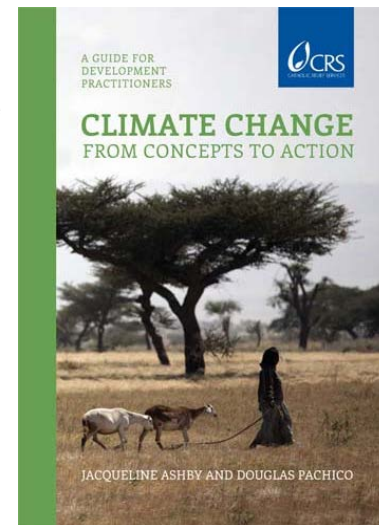
From the Online Community: Using Government Paid Community Health Workers As Promoters

How do you sustainably integrate government paid community health workers (CHWs) in to your Care Group Project? One member of the FSN Network [online community](#) wants to hear about your experience. Read the entire conversation and share your thoughts with the FSN Network [online community](#).

Explore other discussions of the FSN Network Online Community on the [Interest Group](#) pages.

Featured Information Resource: Climate Change: From Concepts to Action; A Guide for Development Practitioners

This guide, developed by Catholic Relief Services, reviews some fundamental concepts that provide a foundation for working with a climate change perspective. It also introduces three strategies for dealing with climate change: adaptation to its effects, mitigation to slow the process of climate change, and adoption of climate-smart agriculture. The guide also provides concrete ways to help the rural poor adapt to climate change. For more information and to download a copy, visit fsnnetwork.org.



Job Postings

- [Agriculture Officer](#) based in WDC with Mercy Corps
- [USPSC Grants Management Assistant/Specialist](#) based in WDC with USAID
- [USPSC-Food for Peace Officer](#) based in WDC with USAID
- [Surge Food for Peace Officer](#) based in WDC with USAID
- [USPSC Senior Grants Management Specialist](#) based in WDC with USAID
- [Technical Advisor, Nutrition and Infectious Diseases, FANTA III Project](#) based in WDC with FHI 360
- [Senior Field Researcher - Friedman School of Nutrition Science & Policy](#) based in Boston, MA/Burkina Faso with Tufts University

- [Scientist, Nutrition & Biodiversity](#) based in Rome with Bioversity International
- [Deputy Country Director, Programs](#) based in Burkina Faso with Helen Keller International
- [Agricultural Inputs Value Chain Adviser](#) based in Tblisi, Georgia with IFDC
- [Sr. Program Development Officer](#) based in Arlington, VA with Counterpart International
- [Africa Regional Program Coordinator, Enhanced Homestead Food Production](#) based in Senegal with Helen Keller International
- [Director of Food and Nutrition Security](#) based in WDC with PCI
- [Technical Advisor - Livestock and Food Security](#) based in Portland, Oregon with Mercy Corps

Funding and Other Opportunities

- The [GSMA mWomen Programme](#) aims to accelerate the use of mobile technology to achieve positive social and economic outcomes for resource-poor women. Concept notes for the GSMA mWomen Innovation Fund grants for Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) are due Wednesday, June 12, 2013. For more information and necessary materials, [click here](#). Please write to mWomengrants@gsma.com if you intend to submit a concept note, or have any questions.
- The University of California San Diego and World Wildlife Fund are launching a new international certificate program in Advanced Terrestrial Carbon Accounting. The certificate course will be held in August 2013 on the UC San Diego campus in southern California. Application information can be found [here](#). The deadline for applicants outside of the US who require a visa was April 15. US applicants have until June 15.
- The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is accepting Letters of Inquiry for the development of a consortium with both agricultural and nutrition expertise, with the mandate of "Improving Nutrition Outcomes through Optimized Agricultural Interventions" in Africa. This grant opportunity is open until June 7, 2013 at 9 AM Pacific Standard Time. Full descriptions of the grant opportunity and application instructions are available [here](#).

If you are not already on our e-mail list, sign-up [here](#). We welcome news of events, tools, trainings, country updates and other content from the broad FSN Network community. Please send any suggested content to commentsfsn@gmail.com.

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The FSN Network is being spearheaded by TOPS, a USAID/FFP funded program seeking to build the capacity of FFP grantees and other food security and nutrition implementers. The program is working to improve the quality of implementation through fostering collaboration, innovation, and knowledge sharing around food security and nutrition best practices. For more information about TOPS please click [here](#).

