



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

### [TOPS Designing for Behavior Change \(DBC\) Country Level Workshop](#)

TOPS, USAID, Aug 5-10. Alta Verapaz, Guatemala

### [Drought Cycle Management and Participatory Rangeland Management Training](#)

TOPS, USAID, Aug 26-27, 29-30, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

### [POSTPONED: Monitoring, Analysis and Response Kit \(MARKit\) Training](#)

CARE, CRS, TOPS, Date TBD, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

### [Webinar: Clean, Fed & Nurtured: The Importance of Cross-Sectoral Collaboration](#)

Alive & Thrive, FHI 360, the Global Public-Private Partnership for Handwashing, Save the Children, WASHplus, USAID, July 9, 11:30 AM -12:30 PM

### [Assessing Public Health in Emergency Situations](#)

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

### [InnovATE Symposium](#)

Innovation for Agricultural Training and Education (InnovATE), Virginia Tech, USAID,

## 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](#)

## Drought Cycle Management and Participatory Rangeland Management Training, August 26-27, 29-30, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Two training events will bring together Title II implementers and other stakeholders to learn and share knowledge on practical solutions to address issues of resilience and disaster risk management.

- Drought Cycle Management, August 26-27
- Participatory Rangeland Management, August 29-30

The two training events are by invitation only. If you are or know of technical implementers (including chief of parties, program managers, team leads and technical staff) who would benefit from attending either of these two training events, please let us know at [TOPSAgriculture@gmail.com](mailto:TOPSAgriculture@gmail.com). There is no training fee, but participants are expected to cover their own travel and accommodation costs. For more information about the trainings visit [fsnnetwork.org](http://fsnnetwork.org).

## Reminder: June 27 Consultation on FY14 FFP RFA Guidance

TOPS is facilitating a half-day PVO consultation workshop, June 27 from 9 AM - 1 PM to solicit feedback to improve the Food for Peace (FFP) Multi Year Development Food Assistance Programs Request for Applications (RFA) and country guidance documents. Representatives from FFP will be in attendance.

This is an opportunity for the PVO community to have an impact on the RFA, and so improve the ability to design and implement effective food security programs with FFP. The report from the workshop will be submitted to FFP as PVO feedback, so your full engagement in this process is encouraged. We invite you to send up to two representatives from your organization to the June 27 meeting at Counterpart International in Arlington, VA. Remote participation will be available. Please register with Julia Crowley, at [jcrowley@savechildren.org](mailto:jcrowley@savechildren.org) indicating whether you plan to attend in-person or remotely, and she will send you directions and call-in information as appropriate. Lunch will be provided.

Sept. 18-20, Fairfax, VA

## Online Discussion

### [Addressing Depression and Fatalism in Our Food Security Programs](#)

FSN Network, Until July 3

## Did You Know?

The Community for Zero Hunger, an independent 24-month initiative which will deliver a specific response to support global efforts in meeting the Zero Hunger Challenge, has officially launched. View their [website](#) or follow them on [Twitter](#).

## New Publications, Guides & Tools

[Food Outlook: Biannual Report on Global Food Markets](#) from FAO

[Turn Down the Heat: Climate Extremes, Regional Impacts, and the Case for Resilience](#) from The World Bank

[Performance Evaluation: USAID/Zimbabwe Promoting Recovery in Zimbabwe \(PRIZE\) Project](#) from USAID

[Agriculture and Nutrition Global Learning and Evidence Exchange \(AgN-GLEE\) Resources- Washington, DC](#) from SPRING, USAID

## Articles

[From Nutrition Plus to Nutrition Driven: How to Realize the Elusive Potential of Agriculture for Nutrition?](#) from *Food and Nutrition Bulletin*

[Putting Women on the](#)

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## Online Discussion: Addressing Depression and Fatalism in Our Food Security Programs

Join the FSN Network for an [online discussion](#) on the impact of depression and fatalism in food security program contexts, and ways the issue can be addressed in low-resource environments. This discussion furthers the learning from a webinar by Lena Verdelli, Columbia University, which sheds light on how food security professionals can better respond to the issue of depression and help close the treatment gap in places that have few mental health workers. A recording of the webinar can be [found here](#).

Even if you didn't attend the webinar, join the [online discussion](#) to share your thoughts.

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## FANTA Program Review to Identify Promising Practices for Integration of Family Planning into Food Security and Nutrition Programs

The USAID-funded Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance III Project (FANTA), managed by FHI 360, is conducting a program review with support from the Office of Population and Reproductive Health to identify promising practices for integration of family planning into food security and nutrition programs. The review will primarily focus on USAID-funded development (non-emergency) programs implemented over the past 10 years (2003-present).

They are looking for programs that include a family planning component and also include objective(s) to:

- Improve food security (e.g., agriculture, livelihoods, food rations, disaster risk reduction, income generation, natural resource management) AND/OR
- Improve nutrition (e.g., maternal nutrition, infant and young child nutrition, micronutrient supplementation or fortification, food rations)

For more information, visit the [FANTA website](#). If you have any questions, please contact Reena Borwankar at [rborwank@fhi360.org](mailto:rborwank@fhi360.org) or (202) 884-8503.

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## Feed the Future Partnering for Innovation Request for Expressions of Interest

Feed the Future (FTF) Partnering for Innovation has released its [second call for Expressions of Interest \(EOIs\)](#). Applications will be accepted until July 31, 2013.

FTF will also be hosting a webinar on July 2 at 10 AM EDT to answer questions. [Please register for the webinar here](#). You can submit questions during the webinar, or if you would like to send them in advance, please email [innovation@fintrac.com](mailto:innovation@fintrac.com).

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## Resource Library Featured Topic: Water and Sanitation

[Disaster Risk Reduction Agenda](#) from *IRIN*

[Call for "No Regret" Climate Adaptation Strategies](#) from *IRIN*

[Making the Right Choices in Emergencies](#) from *IRIN*

[Gender Equality Funds Must Go to Women's Groups in Poor Countries](#) from *The Guardian*

[The Campaign to End Hunger Must Focus on Violence Against Women](#) from *The Guardian*

[New Food Security Alliance is Timely for Malawi's Path Out of Poverty](#) from *The Guardian*

[World's Poorest Will Feel Brunt of Climate Change, Warns World Bank](#) from *The Guardian*

[GM Crops Won't Help African Farmers](#) from *The Guardian*

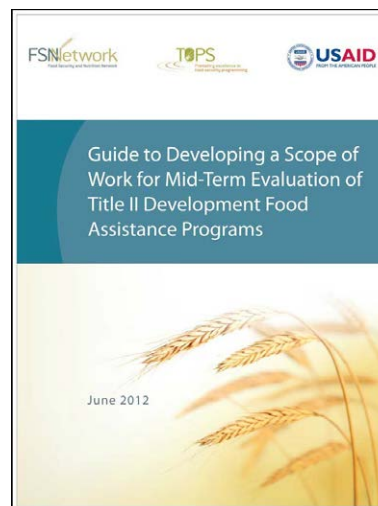
The FSN Network website, [fsnnetwork.org](http://fsnnetwork.org), includes a resource library rich with technical tools and guides. The Featured Resource Library Topic highlights some areas of the library. The featured topic this week is [Water and Sanitation](#).

This section includes a variety of resources to help organizations hold community-led total sanitation (CLTS) orientation workshops and integrate water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) activities into programs. Resources in this topic include [Guidelines for the Development of Small Scale Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Projects in Ethiopia and East Africa](#) from Catholic Relief Services, [Handbook on Community-Led Total Sanitation](#) translated in six different languages from the Institute of Development Studies and Plan, and more.

The FSN Network welcomes comments and ratings on current items in the library. We also encourage additional tools, guides and resources from the community. Submit a resource on a variety of food security and nutrition topics on the [website](#).

## Featured Information Resource: Guide to Developing a Scope of Work for Midterm Evaluation of Title II Development Food Assistance Programs

This guide, developed collaboratively by the FSN Network Monitoring and Evaluation Task Force, is designed to help Title II development food assistance programs develop a scope of work for a midterm evaluation. This guide offers an outline of the scope of work and indicative content including methodology, composition of the evaluation team, examples of key evaluation questions, and timeline. For more information and to download a copy, visit [fsnnetwork.org](http://fsnnetwork.org). This is a FSN Network M&E Task Force recommended tool.



## Job Postings

- [Senior Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist-TOPS Program](#) based in WDC with TANGO International
- [Senior Knowledge Management Specialist-TOPS Program](#) based in WDC with CORE Group
- [Agriculture & Nutrition Advisor-SPRING](#) based in Arlington, VA with Helen Keller International
- [Food Security & Nutrition Manager-SPRING](#) based in Arlington, VA with Helen Keller International
- [Research Advisor-SPRING](#) based in Arlington, VA with Helen Keller International
- [Agriculture & Nutrition Specialist](#) based in Arlington, VA with Helen Keller International
- [Agriculture Advisor-SPRING](#) based in Arlington, VA with Save the Children
- [Associate Director, Food Security and Nutrition-SPRING](#) based

- in Arlington, VA with Save the Children
- [HIV/Nutrition Advisor-SPRING](#) based in Arlington, VA with Save the Children
- [Social and Behavior Change Communications Advisor-SPRING](#) based in Arlington, VA with Save the Children
- [Global Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning Advisor \(Gender\)](#) based in Oxford with Oxfam
- [Director, Food Systems](#) based in Minneapolis, Minnesota with Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy
- [Senior Program Associate, Agriculture Policy](#) based in Minneapolis, Minnesota with Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy
- [Consultant-Global Nutrition Cluster Coordination](#) with International Medical Corps
- [Senior Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist](#) based in NYC with The Hunger Project
- [Senior Nutrition Advisor](#) based in WDC with Global Health Fellows Program II

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## Funding and Other Opportunities

- TOPS Micro Grant program is intended to encourage innovative capacity strengthening activities for partners as well as assessment and documentation of promising practices, to contribute to gathering the evidence base for effective programming and future capacity building. The grants, up to \$50,000, can be applied for on a rolling basis. To access the RFA document for description of the program and for instructions on applying, [click here](#).
- With financial support from the UK Department for International Development (DFID), Gender Innovation Lab has issued a call for Expressions of Interest on programs that aim to increase women's, or men and women's, agricultural productivity, entrepreneurship, employment, and economic voice and empowerment, exclusively on Sub-Saharan Africa For more information [click here](#). The deadline for EOIs is 5 PM US Eastern Daylight Time on Monday July 8, 2013.

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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](mailto: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](#).



