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VIDEO OF THE WEEK

Submitted by SHOUHARDO III Project, CARE Bangladesh

[Strengthening Household Ability to Respond to Development Opportunities \(SHOUHARDO\) III](#) is funded by USAID Office of Food for Peace and implemented by CARE Bangladesh that started in September 2015. The program works with the Poor and Extremely Poor (PEP) men, women and youth dwelling in the Char and Haor regions of Bangladesh. Since the second year of implementation, SHOUHARDO III participants have reported significant increase in income from the field crops that the program introduced for the PEP households in Northern Bangladesh. [See how it all happened in this video.](#)

[Submit photos or videos for future newsletters.](#)

DID YOU KNOW...

The Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Soybean Value Chain Research experts and partners are involved in a number of initiatives and programs designed to improve production and utilization of soybean in Sub-Saharan Africa. Their new podcast series, [SoyBytes](#), offers an inside look at

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ASIA REGIONAL KNOWLEDGE SHARING MEETING

FOOD SECURITY RESILIENCE at the intersection of DEVELOPMENT and EMERGENCY

October 2-4, 2018
Bangkok, Thailand

#KSAsia18 Conference Materials and Resources Are Now Available!



***NEW!** Listen to #KSAsia18 participants share their insights on the conference theme and their key takeaways from the 3-day event. [Access #KSAsia18 Narratives here.](#)

Over 150 implementers, donors, and researchers from over 40 organizations joined us for the TOPS/FSN Network Asia Regional Knowledge Sharing Meeting on October 2-4, 2018 in Bangkok, Thailand. The conference brought together development and emergency implementers, academics and donors to share food security and nutrition innovations, emerging topics, promising practices and lessons learned. Attendees engaged in interactive sessions gaining increased awareness of common and unique challenges faced by development and emergency implementers in Asia; explored synergies; and identified ways in which we can work together.

All presentations, recordings, and other supporting materials are now available on the FSN Network website. [Access the materials here.](#)

USAID's Office of Food for Peace Releases FY 2019 Draft RFA and CSI for Madagascar and Malawi

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[nutrition security activities in Madagascar and Malawi](#). In addition please find country-specific information (CSI) for [Madagascar](#) and [Malawi](#).

Because these materials are in draft and subject to change, all potential applicants are strongly advised to wait for the final versions before starting work on an application. Applications are submitted at the risk of the applicant, and all preparation and submission costs are at the applicant's expense.

USAID reserves the right to adjust the number of awards, funding levels and sources of funding, given the budget environment and other considerations. Recall that USAID/FFP removed the technical information from the RFA in 2015 and created helpful new technical reference chapters, which can be found on the [USAID/FFP website](#).

As in prior years, market fundamentals reports, food security desk reviews, and any other materials signaled in the CSIs have been or will be posted on the appropriate country fact sheet page soon for your consideration. Please note that no USAID/FFP country backstop officers or field representatives should be contacted in any way about information contained in the draft RFA materials. As stated in the draft RFA, all comments and inquiries should be directed to FACG@usaid.gov.

Comments on the FY 2019 draft documents are due Friday, December 28, 2018 at noon. However, please do not wait until the last day to submit your consolidated comments and inquiries. USAID/FFP is planning to have a stakeholder consultation again this year while the RFA is in draft. Please stay tuned for an invitation.

All documents will be available on the USAID website at <https://www.usaid.gov/food-assistance/what-we-do/development-activities>.

Featured Resource

Resilience and Resilience Capacities Measurement Options

Given the range of USAID programs trying to capture changes in resilience promoted through their investments, there is a need for measurement options that better reflect the goals and available resources of these different programs. This guidance presents Light, Intermediate and Full approaches for analyzing resilience, each of which reflects a different level of effort - and budget - in terms of survey instrument and analysis used.

The resources included in this package are intended to be used together for measuring and analyzing resilience in relevant USAID-funded activities.



The Resilience Analysis, Evaluation and Learning (REAL) Associate Award held a launch event for the resource package. A webinar recording of the event will be available on www.fsnnetwork.org/REAL soon.

[Access the resource here.](#)

Job Postings

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- [Program Coordinator, READY Project](#) based in Washington, DC with Save the Children
- [Agriculture and Food Security Practice Associate, West and Central Africa and Haiti](#) based in Washington, DC with Chemonics
- [Technical Assistance Consultancy, Design of Consortia Cycle Management and Coordination](#) based in Syria with Action Against Hunger
- [Senior Program Manager, Livelihoods Programming](#) based in Washington, DC with World Vision
- [Kenya Program Director](#) based in Nanyuki, Kenya with BOMA Project
- [Director of Research, Evaluation and Learning](#) based in Manchester, Vermont or remotely with BOMA Project
- [Regional Food Fortification Program Manager](#) based in Dakar, Senegal with HKI
- [Chief of Party, Malawi DFSA](#) based in Blantyre, Malawi with CARE
- [Deputy Chief of Party, Malawi DFSA](#) based in Blantyre, Malawi with CARE
- [Strategic Learning Lead, Malawi DFSA](#) based in Blantyre, Malawi with CARE
- [Monitoring & Evaluation Lead, Malawi DFSA](#) based in Blantyre, Malawi with CARE

Funding & Other Opportunities

Eleanor Crook Foundation (ECF) Request for Concept Notes | Deadline: November 25, 2018

ECF is pleased to announce the release of its 2018 RISE (Research, Innovate, Scale, Establish) for Nutrition Request for Applications. At the Global Nutrition Summit in Milan 2017, ECF made its first large financial pledge: to invest \$100 million in nutrition by 2030. The RISE for Nutrition annual RFA is one key vehicle through which ECF will fulfill that pledge. This portfolio funds research on cost-effective, scalable innovations designed to improve nutrition interventions in East Africa. ECF launched the RISE for Nutrition grant portfolio in 2016 in order to help bridge the gap between identification of successful nutrition interventions and getting those interventions to those who need them most. [Learn more here!](#)

USAID's Development Innovation Ventures (DIV) Call for New Applications

Do you have a breakthrough idea to solve a global development problem? USAID wants to hear from you! USAID's open innovation program - Development Innovation Ventures (DIV) - is accepting new applications to test and scale creative solutions to any global development challenge. DIV provides tiered grant funding (from \$50,000 to \$5,000,000) to test new ideas and scale the best solutions that demonstrate rigorous evidence of impact, cost-effectiveness, and a viable pathway to scale. Anyone, anywhere can apply at any time. [Learn more here!](#)

Upcoming Events

[Resilience Measurement, Evidence and Learning Conference 2018](#): RMEL CoP; November 13-15; New Orleans, Louisiana, USA

[Accelerating the End of Hunger and Malnutrition](#): IFPRI and UN FAO; November 28-30; Bangkok, Thailand

[Health, Resilience and Sustainable Poverty Escapes](#): Agrilinks; November 28; Washington, DC and Online

[Monitoring 4 CTP Workshop](#): The Cash Learning Partnership; December 14; Washington, DC

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New Reports, Guides & Tools

[Integrating Extremely Poor Producers into Markets Field Guide \(4th Edition\)](#) from World Vision

[Increasing Women's Profitable Participation in Market Systems](#) from Feed the Future Enabling Environment for Food Security project

[Village Agent Guide: Strengthening Business Linkages for Smallholder Farmers](#) from World Vision

[Private Sector Voices: Building an Enabling Environment for Investment](#) from Feed the Future Enabling Environment for Food Security project

[Contrasting Kenyan Resilience to Drought: 2011 and 2017](#) from USGS, FEWS NET, and Climate Hazards Group

[Orienting Agriculture toward Improved Nutrition and Women's Empowerment](#) from IFPRI

[Boosting Growth to End Hunger by 2025: The Role of Social Protection](#) from ReSAKSS

Recent Articles

[Cooperatives Provide Farmers with Adaptive Capacity](#) from Marketlinks

[Let's Get Digital: Un-Blocking Finance for Farmers in Senegal](#) from Feed the Future Senegal Naatal Mbay Project

[Meteorological Early Warning System: Building Resilience to Climate-Induced Shocks](#) from Agrilinks

[A community-led vision for India's rural future](#) from Devex

[WFP to double food aid to Yemen, says 14 million risk starvation](#) from Reuters

[UN: Asia's cities face mounting food challenges](#) from AlJazeera

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