ENDORSEMENTS

HENRIETTA FORE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, UNICEF

“Over the past two decades, the world has reduced the proportion of children suffering from undernutrition by one third, and the number of undernourished children by an astonishing 55 million. This proves that progress is possible. However, a toxic combination of rising poverty, conflict, climate change and COVID-19 are risking a backwards slide. Solutions to prevent, detect and treat child malnutrition are proven and well known. Nourish the Future provides a visionary and actionable roadmap to take these solutions to scale, get back on track, and end malnutrition for good.”

MICHELLE NUNN
CEO, CARE

“For decades, the U.S. has been an indispensable leader in the fight against global hunger and malnutrition. When America sets bold goals for global development, progress happens. With increasing climate change, growing humanitarian crises, and entrenched gender inequities, we have no time to waste in combating malnutrition in all corners of the world. Nourish the Future offers a smart, multisectoral approach that puts nutrition at the center of modern development efforts.”

ZIPPY DUVALL
PRESIDENT, AMERICAN FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

“American farmers and ranchers have a long and proud history of helping to feed the world. We believe that everyone should have access to affordable, wholesome farm products, and that meat, dairy, produce and grains are all essential in fighting food insecurity and malnutrition both at home and abroad. Now is the time for increased U.S. leadership in the fight against hunger, and Nourish the Future provides a practical and comprehensive approach to getting us back on track.”

DAN GLICKMAN
FORMER US SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

“Nourish the Future reflects a modern approach to harnessing the power of the American government, NGOs, farmers, and producers to fight global hunger and malnutrition. This is a focused plan to supercharge our ongoing investments in food systems and health systems in order to sustainably improve the lives of millions, and to prove that America is more willing than ever to lead.”

TOM HART
CEO, ONE CAMPAIGN

“At a time when we are desperately working to end a global pandemic and preparing for pandemics on the horizon, strengthening both health and food systems in low- and middle-income countries has never been more important. Nourish the Future is vital for mitigating ongoing threats to global health security, ending preventable deaths, and alleviating global poverty.”

AMBASSADOR ERTHARIN COUSIN
CEO, FOOD SYSTEMS OF THE FUTURE AND FORMER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

“I cannot overstate the dire need to strengthen our global food systems, fight rising rates of malnutrition, and support the next generation of entrepreneurs focused on producing healthy, sustainable food. Feed the Future laid the groundwork, successfully improved food security while raising many out of poverty. Nourish the Future represents the next chapter in this revolution, moving beyond simply feeding our future to nourishing people and caring for our planet. At a time when it is desperately needed, this initiative provides a clear opportunity for U.S. leadership.”
ARUN BARAL
CEO, HARVESTPLUS

"Today, the world is facing an alarming global emergency of hunger and malnutrition. Micronutrient deficiency alone affected more than two billion people before the COVID-19 pandemic and is responsible for a host of health problems — including stunting, anemia, sight impairment, and even death. As we aim to build back better, more resilient food systems, we must commit to making all available foods as nutritious as possible. The bold actions identified in Nourish the Future such as improvement of the nutrient density of staples through biofortification would be a transformational step forward."

REVEREND DAVID BECKMANN
CHAIR OF THE CIRCLE OF PROTECTION, BREAD FOR THE WORLD

"Over the past three decades, the world has cut hunger, poverty, and malnutrition in half. This is clear evidence that God is moving in our time. We can end hunger and malnutrition in our lifetimes, and Nourish the Future could be the next bold chapter of that story."

ROBERT BLACK
PROFESSOR OF INTERNATIONAL HEALTH, JOHNS HOPKINS BLOOMBERG SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

"If you want to know how well health systems are functioning, look at how well — or how poorly — a population is nourished. With a modest investment in the plan articulated by Nourish the Future, the United States can lead the global effort to improve health systems so they can effectively deliver for all."

DR. JOANNE CARTER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RESULTS/RESULTS EDUCATIONAL FUND

"Despite proven solutions to prevent and treat malnutrition — including vitamin A supplementation, prenatal vitamins, breastfeeding support, and emergency therapeutic foods — it remains the leading underlying cause of death among young children. Nourish the Future is an ambitious proposal to invest in what works, set bold targets, and relentlessly track progress in ensuring a generation of children and women have access to the nutrients and services that are the foundation for their health and future."

EUGENE CHO
CEO, BREAD FOR THE WORLD

"The world continues to face catastrophic consequences with the rise of global hunger and malnutrition because of conflict, climate change, and the impacts of COVID-19. Through Nourish the Future, the United States has the chance to be a better partner with countries and communities in our shared mission to end hunger and contribute to enriching people’s dignity through better nutrition. It is a hope and an answer to prayer for children, families, and communities living with hunger and malnutrition around the world."

LEITH GREENSLADE
COORDINATOR, EVERY BREATH COUNTS COALITION, FOUNDER AND CEO OF JUSTACTION

“For organizations truly committed to reducing malnutrition-related deaths among children, there are only three priorities — reduce wasting, low birth weight, and preterm birth. If all stakeholders aligned around these three priorities, more than two million child deaths could be prevented each year, especially from infections like pneumonia.”
SPENCER KIRK
CEO, KIRK HUMANITARIAN

"Nourish the Future is a critical plan to ensure that every mother is supported through pregnancy and has the best chance at giving her child a safe and healthy start to life. Multiple micronutrient supplements provide the essential building blocks for pregnant women and their children to thrive. Together with the other Power 4 interventions, these supplements can transform the health and well-being of women, children, and communities."

DAVID LANE
FORMER U.S. AMBASSADOR TO THE UN AGENCIES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

"Nourish the Future builds on a long history of hunger and nutrition investments by the United States, and it would be a valuable addition to its current agenda. In my experience, investment in nutrition boosts many other U.S. investments, because, when a mother and her child are able to access nutritious food and lifesaving care, that reaps benefits for generations to come — mentally, physically, socially, and economically."

MARIE MCGRATH
TECHNICAL DIRECTOR, EMERGENCY NUTRITION NETWORK

"Child malnutrition remains among the most persistent of global challenges – how can this still be? Nourish the Future provides a pathway for the U.S. to lead by example and catalyze a global effort to strengthen food, health, and social protection systems to prevent and treat malnutrition. If there is anything the COVID-19 crisis has taught us, it is that we are all in this together. Nourishing our world is critical to fostering resilient individuals and communities. The healthy growth and development of generations of children depend on us acting together now."

WILL MOORE
CEO, THE ELEANOR CROOK FOUNDATION

"No child should die from malnutrition when we have the tools to stop it. Affordable, effective solutions have long-existed but are still waiting to be deployed. We can do so much more. COVID-19 has underscored that we need a safety net below which no human on earth should be able to fall and Nourish the Future is a smart plan that can provide just that."

KATHY SPAHN
PRESIDENT & CEO, HELEN KELLER INTERNATIONAL

"Children and families living in poverty are in crisis. After decades of progress in reducing malnutrition, the world faces the threat of a catastrophic backslide, resulting in loss of potential for an entire generation. Yet, we know what needs to be done. Nourish the Future provides a smart, evidence-based plan, leveraging some of the most cost-effective tools in global health to deliver results. Together, we can not only reduce child deaths, but ensure that the world’s most vulnerable children grow up nourished, healthy, and strong. We must act now."
JOEL SPICER  
PRESIDENT AND CEO NUTRITION INTERNATIONAL

“The world’s response to COVID-19 has not only revealed massive inequity in access to vaccines, but a growing immunity gap between high-income and lower-income countries. The cornerstone of any health system is the immune system strength of the people in it — and Nourish the Future could help build a firewall of immunity in hard hit areas around the world. Nutrition International focuses on high-impact, low-cost programming at scale. It is why we are global leaders in vitamin A distribution. It is why we focus on women, adolescents and children. And it is why we support this initiative.”

BLYTHE THOMAS  
INITIATIVE DIRECTOR, 1,000 DAYS, AN INITIATIVE OF FHI SOLUTIONS

“The nutrition that mothers and children receive in the 1,000-day window has a profound impact on a child’s ability to grow, learn, and thrive. The good news is that malnutrition in the first 1,000 days is almost entirely preventable. Nourish the Future offers a sustainable solution to deploy high-impact interventions at scale that will not only save children today but continue to reduce cases of malnutrition for years to come. The time is now.”

MARK VISO  
PRESIDENT AND CEO, FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY

“Optimal nutrition is essential and is the foundation for every healthy, productive human life. Targeted investments to combat undernutrition in women and young children can effectively break the cycle that traps many of the world’s marginalized and vulnerable populations in poverty. Nourish the Future does just that; it provides a robust, targeted strategy to ensure that future generations of young people are not left behind due to the preventable consequences of malnutrition. With collective and urgent global action – combined with U.S. political and diplomatic leadership – the world can make historic progress in reducing maternal and child deaths worldwide.”

REP. ANDY KIM  
(D-NJ)

“Global malnutrition is one of the greatest challenges of our time. But the good news is that we have the tools to end it. Nourish the Future presents a bold vision for the U.S. to fight hunger and malnutrition in the highest-burden countries. The plan is sophisticated in its simplicity, and we as a country must assert global leadership to see this plan through and save millions of children’s lives.”

REP. CHRIS STEWART  
(R-UT)

“As a parent, I am genetically wired to protect and care for my children. These are all universal values we can agree on – whichever side of the aisle you sit on. And that translates to policymaking and making sure we leverage the tools and know-how at our disposal to end global hunger and malnutrition. Every dollar we spend towards evidence-based programs such as those endorsed in Nourish the Future is a dollar well-spent. We must endeavor to fulfill our responsibility as a global leader in this important effort.”
OVERARCHING OUTCOMES

- Reduce child deaths by UP TO 11%*
- Reduce child wasting by UP TO 50%* (When a child is very thin)
- Reduce child stunting by UP TO 15%** (When a child is very short for their age)
- Improve school performance of 18 MILLION CHILDREN**
- Reduce anemia by 34%**
- Generate economic gains of at least $56 BILLION**

HEALTH SYSTEMS OUTCOMES*

- Ensure access to prenatal vitamins for 175 MILLION MOTHERS
- Provide vitamin A supplementation for 122 MILLION young children
- Support 143 MILLION mothers to breastfeed
- TREAT 31 MILLION children suffering from wasting
- Provide young children with healthy complementary foods
- Partner with U.S. producers to double the global supply of ready-to-use therapeutic foods in the short term, while building local and regional capacity for RUTF in the medium-term.

FOOD SYSTEMS OUTCOMES**

- Reduce neural tube defects by UP TO 50%
- Reduce goiters BY 74%
- REACH 125 MILLION consumers with biofortified crops
- Increase access to sustainable healthy diets for 63 MILLION mothers and children**