

World Food Crisis: Addressing Deep Needs

Food is becoming more expensive, harder to find and more difficult to transport than it has been for decades.

A variety of factors have contributed to a world food crisis that deepens each day.

- Some countries are reducing or eliminating exports of staple foods such as wheat and rice.
- Rising fuel costs affect everything from the cost to grow food to how much it costs to get it to market.
- Alternative fuels are diverting crops that would normally be used for food.
- Unprecedented droughts, floods and other natural disasters have emptied some of the world's bread baskets.



A farmer in Sri Lanka proudly shows some of his rice harvest, made possible through UMCOR's programs. UMCOR

UMCOR is There

In the midst of this growing crisis, UMCOR is there. In many ways, UMCOR has always been there with programs that address the root causes of hunger and poverty.

Helping vulnerable survivors of war or natural disaster become food secure is an important part of UMCOR's work around the world. In these days when food supplies are drastically reduced, food security is more important than ever.

UMCOR's Sustainable Agriculture and Development program, field offices, and emergency responses all work to ensure the people UMCOR serves not only have food for today but also a way to provide for tomorrow.

The Food Crisis and UMCOR

UMCOR is not reducing any of its existing food-related programs as a result of the food crisis. The organization is, however, anticipating greater expenses in relation to these and other programs as the cost of food continues to rise.

The food crisis has the potential to affect all aspects of UMCOR's programs.

In anticipation of this growing need, UMCOR has created the World Food Crisis Advance to fill gaps in existing programs and to create new ones to meet increasing needs where we work.

To contribute to this fund to combat the affects of the food crisis, please give to World Food Crisis, UMCOR Advance #3019696

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