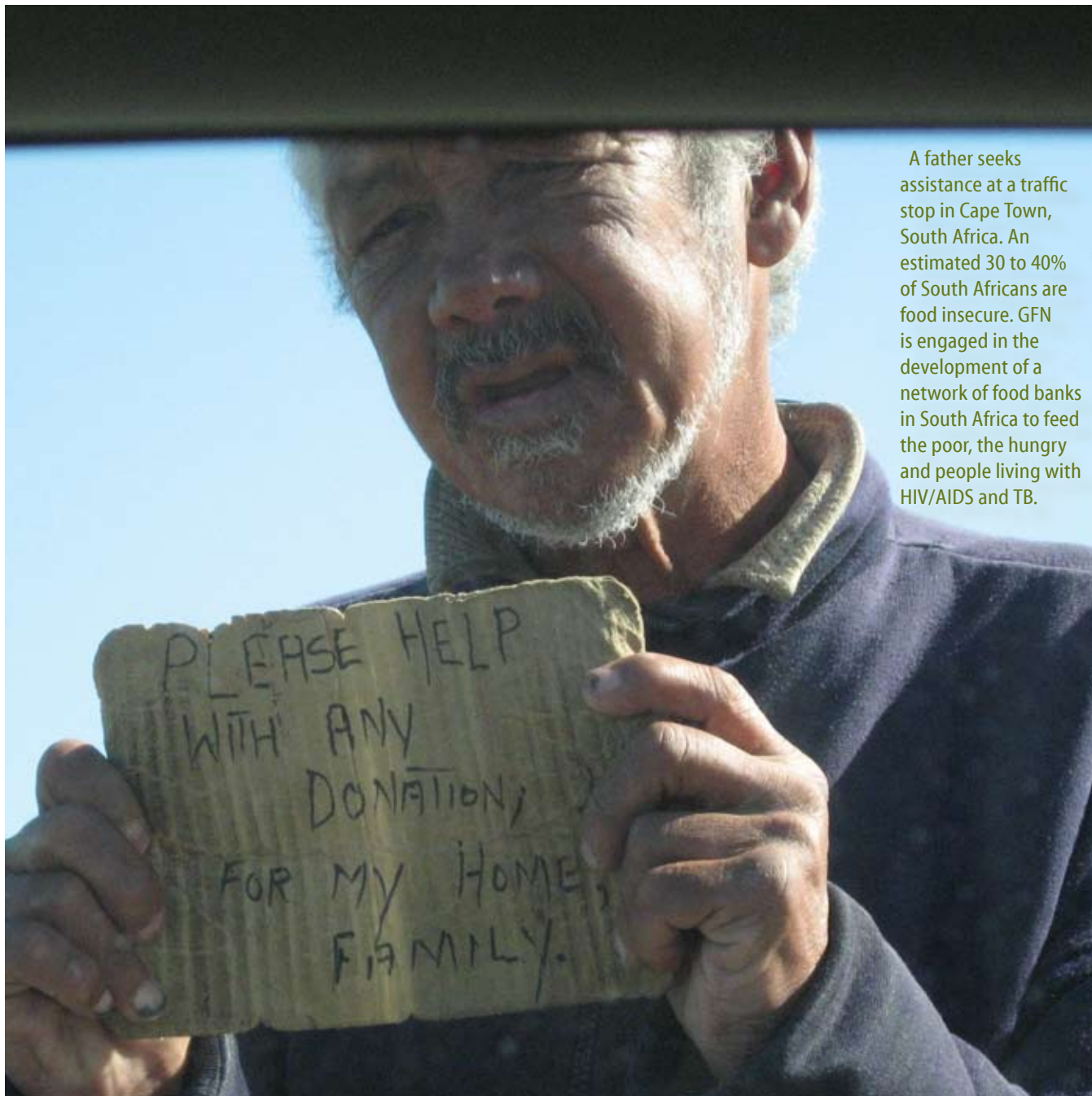




**The Global  
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A father seeks assistance at a traffic stop in Cape Town, South Africa. An estimated 30 to 40% of South Africans are food insecure. GFN is engaged in the development of a network of food banks in South Africa to feed the poor, the hungry and people living with HIV/AIDS and TB.

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Cover Image: Children have lunch at San Jose del Mirador Soup Kitchen Temple in Medellín, Colombia.





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Volunteers load a truck at FareShare Community Food Network, a national United Kingdom charity supporting communities to relieve food poverty. FareShare is at the center of two of the most urgent issues that face the UK - food poverty and food waste. They provide quality food - surplus 'fit for purpose' product from the food and drink industry - to organizations working with disadvantaged people in the community.

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## “We Are the People We Have Been Waiting For”

During a recent trip to India, I found newspapers and television stations captivated by the story of a young boy who had fallen into a well. His name was Sonu, and he was just two years old. By the time I saw the story it had already been a couple of days. In the Mumbai airport, where I waited for a flight to Delhi, people were crowded around television screens, watching live reports from the scene. It was remarkable. Not just in the airport, but at the well itself, hundreds of people were gathered. The army had arrived on the scene to try to rescue Sonu. The area was overflowing with people: soldiers, reporters, bystanders. I imagined all across the city and the state of Maharashtra, many more people following this story with great interest.

And it occurred to me that Sonu, though singular in the attention he received, was far from alone in his tragedy. Every day, all across India, tens of millions of children start each day at the bottom of a well. A well of hunger and malnutrition. And they end each day at the bottom of that same well. The army is not coming for them.

Who will rescue those children?

One of the fundamental questions of life is just what we will do, having found ourselves alive and self-conscious. Our life stretches before us, with needs and opportunities. We observe the state of the world around us and the things that happen as the days and years go by. We often find ourselves upset or unhappy about what we see.

Whether we feel it or not, the opportunity to accept responsibility and act is always there for us. It may be difficult to feel that we can change THE world, but we can always change OUR world. That is, the actions we take and the way that we choose to spend our time and the resources that we have available.

The Global FoodBanking Network was born because of several people with that belief and the will to act, most notably our Founder and President Emeritus Bob Forney. It depends on the generosity of individuals and organizations like you that have similarly chosen to act. To do what you can to bring about the change you seek in the world. Not to wait for someone else or something else to happen.

The past year has been one of remarkable growth and achievement. The Global FoodBanking Network has helped to launch a national food banking system in South Africa. We are well on the way to accomplishing this in India as well. We have helped spur additional growth and capacity in countries like Argentina, Japan, Mexico and the United Kingdom. In all of these countries, many more children like Sonu will be fed because of the work that you help us do. We have a long, long way to go, but with your help we will continue on this road that is wide and bright.

David Prendergast  
President & CEO  
The Global FoodBanking Network



David Prendergast, President and CEO (right) samples a Mid-Day Meal in Bangalore, India.



A primary school student in Medellín, Colombia ladles soup for her lunch.



# OUR ROLE: to connect people, food and resources...

The mission of The Global FoodBanking Network (GFN) is to alleviate hunger. We do this by supporting food banks and food bank networks where they exist and by working collaboratively to create them in communities where they are needed.



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Inside a Mexican food bank.

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The Global FoodBanking Network (GFN) was founded in 2006 by four of the world's leading national food bank networks:

- ✦ Red Argentina de Bancos de Alimentos (Argentina)
- ✦ Food Banks Canada (Canada)

## OUR ROLE cont...

- ✦ Asociación Mexicana de Bancos de Alimentos (Mexico)
- ✦ Feeding America (United States)



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Food Bank of South Central Michigan, a member of Feeding America hosted a GFN delegation of Accenture ADP consultants this spring. They toured the Mt. Zion AME Church pantry in Battle Creek, Michigan.

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GFN seeks to fulfill the global vision of John Van Hengel, who founded the world's first food bank in Phoenix, Arizona in 1967 and worked to promote and establish food banking around the world. We are dedicated to creating sustainable solutions, building efficient private and public partnerships and providing environmentally friendly alternatives to surplus grocery product disposal.

Food banks acquire donated food (much of which would otherwise be wasted) and make it available to those in need through a network of community agencies. These agencies include school feeding programs, food pantries, soup kitchens, AIDS and TB hospices, substance abuse clinics, after-school programs and other non-profit organizations.

Food banks are essential community assets. They represent a non-profit distribution enterprise in service to the community.

Food banking engages people from all sectors of the community. In addition to feeding tens of millions of people each year, it has become a vehicle for building public awareness of hunger and its solutions, as well as a powerful voice in driving policy decisions that impact the food security of individuals and communities.





Workers unload crates of oranges donated to a food bank in Argentina. GFN has collaborated with the food bank association to significantly increase donations from companies like Arcor, Unilever, and Danone and added new donors such as Pepsi/Quaker.

# OUR IMPACT: creating partnerships across the globe...



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A food package is prepared at the local food bank and awaits a Guatemalan family.

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Hunger, and the misery and death that result from it, is preventable.

The world, indeed virtually all countries, produce enough food to adequately nourish everyone. Yet, each year, millions of tons of consumable surplus food is wasted due to:

- ✦ Failure to harvest
- ✦ Post-harvest loss
- ✦ Product Disposal: Expiration, Over-production
- ✦ Damage, Marketing and other business decisions

## The Value We Bring

Our goal is to effect permanent and positive change in communities.

**For our donors,** we represent a global interface to the problem of hunger, allowing them to efficiently address the issue wherever they do business. In a world where distance continues to shrink and borders are transcended by travel, technology and commerce, GFN matches the scope of its partners.

**For our food banks,** we represent a source of expertise and guidance, and a means for enhancing relationships with global partners that may be headquartered outside of their country and community but want to impact hunger.

Most important, **for those in need**, we represent more food, as well as help on the path to self-sufficiency. Food banking provides immediate support, but also connects people with vital resources to break the cycle of poverty and functions as a bedrock of stability and sustenance in the community.







John Arnold, Executive Director of Second Harvest Gleaners Food Bank of Western Michigan discusses traditional and non-traditional sources of food to delegates from 10 countries at the 2008 H-E-B/GFN Food Bank Leadership Institute in San Antonio, Texas.



# OUR OPPORTUNITIES:

ways to extend our impact...

We will provide more food as we connect with additional food and grocery companies around the world

We will increase the capacity of others to establish food banks and improve food security, through our toolkits and training

We will collaborate with others in the international community so food banks and food bank networks can make the greatest possible contribution to a world free from hunger

We will deliver on our Clinton Global Initiative commitment to support school feeding programs for 500,000 children in 5 countries (Argentina, Colombia, India, Jordan and South Africa)



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A staffer checks inventory at the Buenos Aires food bank.

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# GFN IN THE FIELD

South Africa & India

## South Africa

As a result of a year-long consulting project<sup>1</sup>, South African leaders from NGOs, government, business, the faith community and existing service organizations are designing a national food banking network. The National Office has been established and the first four food banks – in Cape Town, Durban, Johannesburg, and Port Elizabeth – will be operational within the first half of 2009.

<sup>1</sup> Project coordinated by GFN, Accenture development Partnerships and Aidmatrix.



Primary school children in Soweto enjoy an after-school treat at Sizanani Givers & Orphans Care (top);



Elizabeth Rapuleng, two-time Community Builder of the Year at Sizanani Givers & Orphans Care displays the toiletry items donated for teenage girls in Soweto. (bottom left)



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Children enjoy a hearty lunch (left).

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A female farmer waters a field of cabbage in the impoverished northern areas of KwaZulu Natal (right).



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In response to regional violence, donated Unilever product for the Durban Community is unloaded from a truck and safely stored in a warehouse provided by the Mayor's Office in EThekweni (Durban) (left).

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## India

GFN has completed a feasibility assessment (January 2008) and initial business plan (May 2008) for food banking in India. Pilot projects are planned in Mumbai, Bangalore and Mewat District (Haryana). Six program models have been defined and GFN has worked over the past 18 months to establish key relationships with the food industry, the NGO community and service organizations within India.



Mehul Desai, John Kapoor and Sam Pitroda (left to right) are key players in GFN's project to develop food banks in India (above).



A storage area for Naandi Foundation's mid-day meal program in Hyderabad (left).





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Akshaya Patra mobile truck delivers a Mid-Day Meal (left).

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The rains come to Kolkata (right).



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Villagers (left) at the grain bank in rural Banswara (Rajasthan).

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“Kellogg Company has effectively partnered with Feeding America for more than 25 years to provide nutritious food to children and families in need. Through this partnership, we have donated hundreds of millions of pounds of our products to help local food banks fight hunger in communities around the U.S. We believe that our support of The Global FoodBanking Network can help build similar partnerships and systems in other parts of the world where we do business.”

- David Mackay, President and Chief Executive Officer of Kellogg Company

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# SUPPORTERS:

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We'd like to say THANK YOU to all of our 2008 donors. Your support made a significant difference in the lives of the poor, hungry and malnourished. Because of you:

- ☞ More than 10,000 tons of food was donated in 8 countries;
- ☞ A new food bank system is underway in South Africa;
- ☞ Food industry companies and grocers were connected with food banks in 17 countries; and
- ☞ Representatives from 10 countries came for training to increase the reach of their food bank operations.

Thank you for helping GFN alleviate hunger by connecting surplus food with need around the world.

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THE GLOBAL FOODBANKING NETWORK

Chicago, Illinois

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2008 and 2007

A complete set of Audited Financial Statements and Form 990 are available at [www.foodbanking.org](http://www.foodbanking.org)

THE GLOBAL FOODBANKING NETWORK  
 STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION  
 June 30, 2008 and 2007

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	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash	\$ 500,889	\$ 216,444
Cash held by fiscal agent (Note 2)	-	5,499
Grants receivable (Note 3)	50,000	100,000
Other receivable	764	37,939
Other assets	<u>14,224</u>	<u>1,507</u>
Total current assets	565,877	361,389
Grants receivable, net of discount of \$3,025 in 2007	-	61,975
Equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$4,168 and \$982 respectively for 2008 and 2007	<u>9,049</u>	<u>4,912</u>
 Total assets	 <u>\$ 574,926</u>	 <u>\$ 428,276</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 90,741	\$ 35,611
Project grants payable (Note 8)	150,000	-
Other accrued liabilities	<u>25,015</u>	<u>1,862</u>
Total liabilities	265,756	37,473
<b>Net assets (Note 5)</b>		
Unrestricted	(245,126)	27,116
Temporarily restricted	<u>554,296</u>	<u>363,687</u>
Total net assets	<u>309,170</u>	<u>390,803</u>
 Total liabilities and net assets	 <u>\$ 574,926</u>	 <u>\$ 428,276</u>

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THE GLOBAL FOODBANKING NETWORK  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
For the year ended June 30, 2008

	Year Ended June 30, 2008		
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
<b>Public support and revenue</b>			
Public support			
Individual contributions	\$ 174,575	\$ -	\$ 174,575
Corporate and foundation contributions	532,917	1,257,817	1,790,734
Organizations	10,684	15,000	25,684
Net assets released from restriction	1,082,208	(1,082,208)	-
Revenue			
Membership dues	36,000	-	36,000
Donated goods and services	786,210	-	786,210
Other revenue	5,881	-	5,881
Total public support and revenue	2,628,475	190,609	2,819,084
<b>Expenses</b>			
Program services	1,877,790	-	1,877,790
Supporting services			
General and administrative	751,139	-	751,139
Fund development	271,788	-	271,788
Total supporting services	1,022,927	-	1,022,927
Total expenses	2,900,717	-	2,900,717
<b>Increase (decrease) in net assets</b>	(272,242)	190,609	(81,633)
Net assets, beginning of period	27,116	363,687	390,803
<b>Net assets, end of period</b>	\$ (245,126)	\$ 554,296	\$ 309,170

THE GLOBAL FOODBANKING NETWORK  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
For the year ended June 30, 2007

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	Year Ended June 30, 2007		
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
<b>Public support and revenue</b>			
Public support			
Individual contributions	\$ 43,335	\$ -	\$ 43,335
Corporate and foundation contributions	397,867	651,065	1,048,932
Organizations	-	97,410	97,410
Net assets released from restriction	427,088	(427,088)	-
Revenue			
Membership dues	50,000	-	50,000
Donated goods and services	538,236	-	538,236
Total public support and revenue	1,456,526	321,387	1,777,913
<b>Expenses</b>			
Program services	1,351,416	-	1,351,416
Supporting services			
General and administrative	138,333	-	138,333
Fund development	120,480	-	120,480
Total supporting services	258,813	-	258,813
Total expenses	1,610,229	-	1,610,229
<b>Increase (decrease) in net assets</b>	(153,703)	321,387	167,684
Net assets, beginning of period	180,819	42,300	223,119
<b>Net assets, end of period</b>	\$ 27,116	\$ 363,687	\$ 390,803

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A woman sorts donated vegetables at the food bank in Monterrey, Mexico.

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