

... WITH A PASSION FOR FEEDING THE HUNGRY



Hunger Plus helps build a storage facility for Crossing Borders Ministries in Fabens, Texas – and just in time to receive and distribute school supplies. The slab was funded by Harold Smith, Hunger Plus, Inc. and J.B. Roberts, and much hard labor went into getting this facility completed and ready for humanitarian supplies.

“If the money in this world which is doing its possessors more harm than good could be diverted to charitable purposes, charity would have no financial problems” ...

Paul Harris, The Rotarian magazine – June 1912

- In 2005, 37 million people (12.6%) were in poverty.
- In 2005, 7.7 million families were in poverty.
- In 2005, 20.5 million (11.3%) of people aged 18-64 were in poverty.
- In 2005, 12.9 million (17.8%) children under the age of 18 were in poverty
- In 2005, 3.6 million (10.1%) seniors 65 and older were in poverty, an increase from 3.5 million in 2004.
- According to the USDA, an estimated 12.4 million children lived in food insecure (low food security & very low food security) households in 2005.
- Thirteen million or approximately 17.8% of children in the U.S. live in poverty. The rate of poverty for children under 18 remains higher than those aged 18-to-64 and for those aged 65 and older.
- Research indicates that even mild undernutrition experienced by young children during critical periods of growth impacts the behavior of children, their school performance, and their overall cognitive development.

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Hundreds of thousands of people in Lesotho, Swaziland and Zimbabwe risk severe hunger because of grinding poverty, drought and AIDS, the United Nations' humanitarian chief warned Tuesday. John Holmes asked for \$15.6 million in emergency assistance for Swaziland, where he said more than 400,000 people will need humanitarian aid.

“My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?” James 2:14

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