



## Ending Hunger: Volunteers Engage their Community

### About the WFP Committee Program

In January 2008, Friends of the World Food Program launched a grassroots, outreach campaign – the WFP Committee Program – which organizes and mobilizes volunteers in the campaign to end global hunger through fundraising, advocacy and awareness-raising activities.

WFP Committees are led by a “council” of volunteer leaders (who complete a two-month training and orientation) and, in many cases, mission-based subcommittees. These Committee Leaders are resourceful, self-starting entrepreneurs working to end hunger. They work with their subcommittees and volunteers to organize fundraising and public speaking events, raise awareness through the local media, meet with their Members of Congress in support of anti-hunger legislation, and recruit and mobilize local volunteers to support their efforts.

WFP Committee highlights from the last year have included raising thousands of dollars, leading public discussions on food assistance, contributing to our blog, visiting WFP programs in Nicaragua and Peru, attending our Annual Awards Ceremony and participating in the Annual Summit on Global hunger, all in an effort to end global hunger.

In 2009, an additional leadership role was introduced to the WFP Committee program to effectively manage and accommodate the growing demand for new WFP Committees around the country. Upon completion of a rigorous and comprehensive two-month orientation, volunteer State Coordinators assume the oversight and management of the WFP Committees in their respective states, working hand-in-hand with Friends of WFP staff in Washington DC.

As of October 2009, the WFP Committee program is active in these places:

Arizona	Florida	Maryland	Pennsylvania
Arkansas	Georgia	Massachusetts	Texas
California	Illinois	Missouri	Virginia
Colorado	Indiana	Minnesota	Washington
Connecticut	Iowa	New Jersey	
Washington, DC	Oregon	New York	

In 2010, the WFP Committee program will be expanding to five new states on a quarterly basis.

WFP Committees serve as the frontline in educating and mobilizing communities around the country in the campaign against global hunger. For more information contact Outreach at (202) 530-1694 or [outreach@friendsofwfp.org](mailto:outreach@friendsofwfp.org).



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