

## **International Facts on Hunger and Poverty**

- More than 840 million people in the world are malnourished.
- 6 million children under the age of 5 die annually due to hunger.
- Of the 6.2 billion people in the world, 1.2 billion live on less than \$1 per day.
- Virtually every country in the world has the potential of growing sufficient food on a sustainable basis. Fifty-four countries do not produce enough food to feed their populations, nor can they afford to import the necessary commodities.

### **Health**

- In developing countries, 91 out of 1,000 children die before their fifth birthday. In the United States that statistic is 8 in 1,000.
- More than 30,000 children die daily in the developing world, mostly from preventable and treatable causes.
- 12 million people die yearly from lack of water, 1.1 billion lack access to clean water.
- By the end of 2000, 22 million people had died from AIDS, causing 13 million children to lose either one or both parents. Of the 40 million living with AIDS-90 percent of them are in developing countries; 9 million are under the age of 14.

### **Education**

- More than 113 million children in the developing world have no access to basic education; 60 percent of them are girls.
- Preschool and school-age children who experience severe hunger have higher levels of chronic illness, anxiety and depression, and behavior problems than children with no hunger, according to a recent study.

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