

## Soy Can Be Part of the Solution

- **One in six people in the world today are undernourished—more than ever before.**  
World hunger is projected to reach a historic high in 2009 with 1.02 billion people going hungry every day, according to new estimates published by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.
- **Every six seconds a child dies because of hunger and related causes.**  
*(Source: [State of Food Insecurity in the World](#), FAO, 2004)*
- **Undernutrition, including protein deficiency, is a major contributing cause in more than one-third of all deaths of children under age five,** reports UNICEF.
- **Tens of millions of children reach school age stunted mentally and physically because of undernutrition.** Consistent and balanced nutrition is an essential component of long-term economic growth and geopolitical stability.
- **The world will have to double its food production by 2050** given trends in population and economic growth as well as diets.
- **The Central Intelligence Agency has long traced and analyzed global food supplies as an indicator of potential conflict.** Now Defense Secretary Robert Gates has noted, “Famine and chronic food shortages can lead to mass migrations that can destabilize countries and entire regions.
- **Soy protein is already proven valuable in school and other global feeding programs** around the world. The availability of school meals not only helps children learn, but it gives an incentive for families to send children, particularly girls to school. An estimated 77 million children do not go to school, and 150 million children drop out of school before attaining a basic primary education.
- **Protein-rich food is an essential tool in the fight against HIV/AIDS.** An estimated 33 million people worldwide are living with HIV/AIDS, and proper nutrition can assist them in leading productive jobs and being able to care for their families. Approximately 15 million children worldwide have lost one or both parents to AIDS, and many of those children live in chronic hunger.

**Soy protein is nutrition-packed and abundant. Adding soy protein to locally available foods is a simple and sustainable way to nourish people throughout the world with protein, calories and more.**