

**SUN is a  
global  
movement  
to end malnutrition.**

## What is SUN?

**Scaling Up Nutrition, or SUN, is a unique Movement** founded on the principle that all people have a right to food and good nutrition. It unites people—from governments, civil society, the United Nations, donors, businesses and researchers—in a collective effort to improve nutrition.

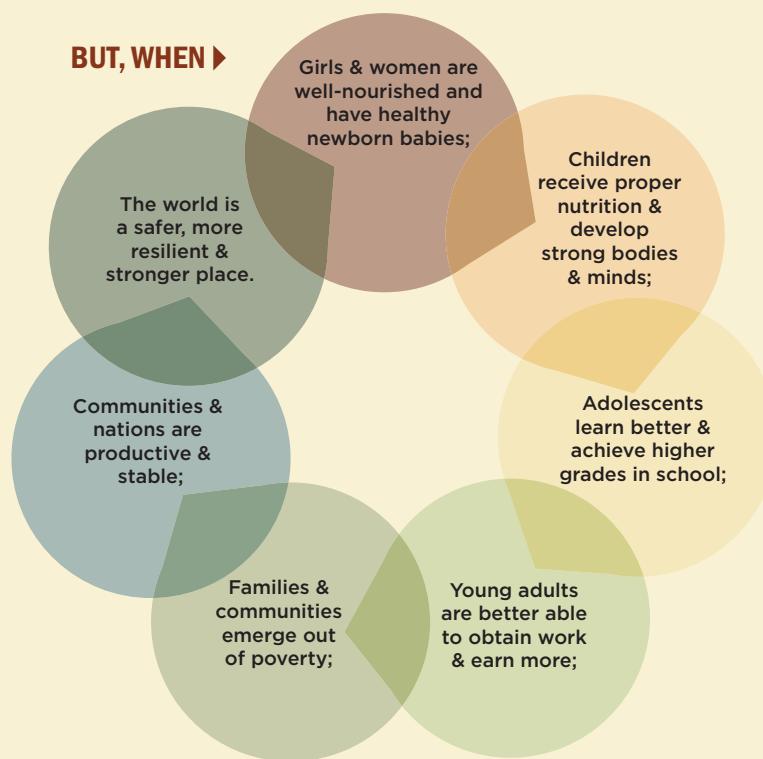
**Within the SUN Movement, national leaders are prioritizing efforts to address malnutrition.** Countries are putting the right policies in place, collaborating with partners to implement programs with shared nutrition goals, and mobilizing resources to effectively scale up nutrition, with a core focus on empowering women.

With a shared understanding that many factors impact nutrition, each of us has a unique contribution to make. **Together we are achieving what no one of us can do alone.**

## Why Nutrition?

Today, more than one third of young children suffer from some form of malnutrition with devastating consequences on health, learning, future earning potential, economic development, resilience and security.

### BUT, WHEN ▶



### ► A smart investment.

Eliminating under-nutrition in young children has multiple benefits. It can:

- Boost gross national product by 11% in Africa and Asia.
- Improve school attainment by at least one year.
- Increase wages by 5-50%.
- Reduce poverty as well-nourished children are 33% more likely to escape poverty as adults.
- Empower women to be 10% more likely to run their own business.\*



## How does the SUN Movement work?

The Movement recognizes that malnutrition has multiple causes. That's why it requires people to work together across sectors to put nutrition into all development efforts.



**Nutrition-specific interventions:** Support for exclusive breastfeeding up to 6 months of age and continued breastfeeding together with appropriate and nutritious food up to 2 years of age, fortification of foods, micro-nutrient supplementation, treatment of severe malnutrition



**Agriculture:** Making nutritious food more accessible to everyone, and supporting small farms as a source of income for women and families



**Clean Water and Sanitation:** Improving access to reduce infection and disease



**Education and Employment:** Making sure children have the energy that they need to learn and earn sufficient income as adults



**Health Care:** Improving access to services to ensure that women and children stay healthy



**Support for Resilience:** Establishing a stronger, healthier population and sustained prosperity to better endure emergencies and conflicts



**And at the core of all efforts, women are empowered to be leaders in their families and communities, leading the way to a healthier and stronger world.**

## The SUN Movement is working

Since it was launched in 2010:

**40** countries have joined the SUN Movement

**30** countries have established platforms that bring people together and have appointed a government representative

**20** countries report having updated and budgeted nutrition plans

**15** countries are reducing stunting at an annual rate of 2% and above

**The Movement is growing—in numbers and strength. Over 100 global stakeholders are providing support to countries with the opportunity to reach 80 million stunted children. SUN is enabling women, families, communities and countries to create a stronger foundation for people, and transforming the future of our world.**