

Economic development and livelihoods

FHI 360 works with its partners around the world to create new jobs and business opportunities, prepare workers to take advantage of expanding opportunities and equip people in need to earn a better living.



At FHI 360, we work to expand economic activity, create new and sustainable employment and improve the livelihoods of people who have limited access to financial opportunities. Our programs build partnerships among government agencies, nonprofit organizations and private firms in order to give individuals and local businesses the tools they need to compete in a rapidly expanding economy.

Food security and household economic strengthening

We work with vulnerable populations to help them protect their household assets and prepare for unexpected circumstances. Our projects link income-generating activities to the local market to ensure sustainability. We also work with local partners and the private sector to strengthen livelihoods and improve the ability of households to access adequate and appropriate food. This includes a range of social protection measures, such as encouraging household savings, managing money and accessing capital in more appropriate ways.

Social enterprise

We promote social enterprises through a process that gives entrepreneurs the edge in developing partnerships and innovative business opportunities with an important social bottom line. Social enterprises that mutually benefit companies and communities reflect FHI 360's commitment to fostering business-driven solutions to social challenges for more lasting outcomes.

Financial services

By addressing weaknesses in financial systems around the world, our programs help grow small businesses, launch joint-venture companies, increase capital inflows and make sustainable jobs more available. We work with local partners to help low-income

families and enterprises gain more access to financial services, and we empower people to participate more effectively in the financial sector. Our experts focus on important issues such as client protection, financial literacy and consumer awareness.

Youth enterprise and entrepreneurship

Our income generation and livelihoods development programs help youth build a more prosperous future. We foster partnerships with businesses, schools and communities to equip youth and organizations serving youth to understand better business needs and market opportunities. These activities give youth the greatest potential to create sustainable livelihoods in a more meaningful way.



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About FHI 360: FHI 360 is a nonprofit human development organization dedicated to improving lives in lasting ways by advancing integrated, locally driven solutions. Our staff includes experts in health, education, nutrition, environment, economic development, civil society, gender equality, youth, research, technology, communication and social marketing — creating a unique mix of capabilities to address today's interrelated development challenges. FHI 360 serves more than 60 countries and all U.S. states and territories.