



Trees That Feed Foundation



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Annual Report 2024-25

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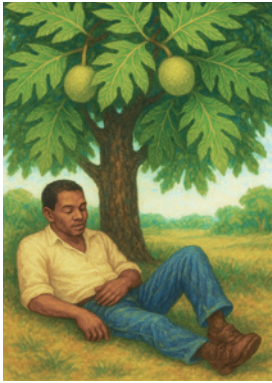
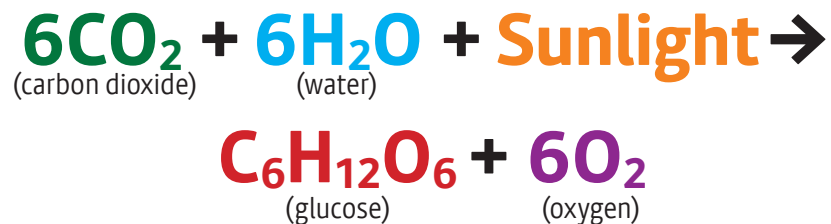


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Huge benefits! Almost like magic! Free!

Just find some nearby soil and plant a seedling. From carbon dioxide and moisture in the air, with a healthy dose of sunlight, you'll soon have a tree with a trunk, branches, leaves, blossoms and fruit.

For those of a scientific leaning, here is the chemical formula:



Cells in the leaves contain chlorophyll which uses light energy to create glucose. The energy stored in the glucose along with phosphorus and other trace elements create cellulose, lignin and other wood components.

Photo in photosynthesis is from the Greek language, meaning light. *Synthesis* also from Greek means putting things together. This way new, living fruit trees are created and soon bear fruit. Pretty much for free!

Join us, and let's take advantage of this amazing process. Plant a fruit tree today!

“ Thank you so much for the great news! I will take the best care of these babies in an effort to provide food security for my family in these challenging times. I am grateful for your foundation as it provides where the Jamaican government is lacking. Please continue the awesome job you are doing. Warm regards, ”

MARCILYN MURRAY
ROSE HALL, ST. JAMES, JAMAICA

Letter from the Treasurer



*Share this report online
with friends, or read it
on-the-go.*

Hello again, friends,



Once again we report to you on our activities over the past year. Our main purpose is to thank you for your support, but it's a bit more than that.

Mary and I and our board are all very aware that to carry out our programs we are spending other people's money. Your money. We are the stewards, and we appreciate your trust in us.

We know that we owe you an explanation of our spending and the results of our work. And that is the underlying theme of this year's report: Accountability. We're accountable to you, and we take that seriously. We'll report on our mission, namely planting fruit trees and keeping them alive. Also you'll hear about how we've educated people, provided meals, helped entrepreneurs to become self-sufficient, encouraged other charities, and done at least a little to benefit the environment. These efforts all support our mission.

We summarize our audited financial statements (and provide them on request). We acknowledge our many volunteers whose efforts multiply our impact and efficiency. We also explain how we use technology and artificial intelligence to improve both efficiency and accountability. We even hold our beneficiaries to account.

This is our report.

We thank you, our many supporters, directly. Without your support and trust in us none of this work could happen.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike".

Mike McLaughlin

Co-founder and Treasurer

Trees That Feed Foundation

Adaptation in Technology

Over time we at Trees That Feed Foundation want to become more efficient. We're relatively small, lean and mean as they say, and so need to put technology to good use. Here are some actions we've taken over the last few years:

- ✓ We moved to an online process to handle requests for trees. No more printed vouchers.
- ✓ We handle most communications with other countries using WhatsApp, which is instantaneous and free.
- ✓ We use Zoom regularly for communication and training purposes.
- ✓ We use CapCut to produce short instructional videos for easy learning.
- ✓ We ask tree recipients to use the Treetracker app by Greenstand. We see photos of the newly planted trees, and later we can monitor their survival from satellite photos for accountability.
- ✓ We're using AI (artificial intelligence) for both communication and research.
- ✓ We're giving you our readers easy to use QR codes to learn more.
- ✓ And we are continually striving to make our website an encyclopedia of knowledge for both beneficiaries and donors.

We would love to hear any other suggestions you may have for us!



Scan here and zoom in on the orange pin to see a satellite image of the tree's precise location!

Thanks to Greenstand's Treetracker app, we can see this breadfruit tree planted by TriTrees in Uganda. Treetracker is one of our favorite tools for accountability.



Accountability

Our theme for this report is accountability. We explain not only how we are accountable to you, our supporters, but also how we hold others to account.

Accountability needs transparency, and accountability leads to trust.

As mentioned by our Treasurer, we're well aware that we're spending your money. We prepare this report to show the results of our work and how much it costs. Boring? Maybe, but reading it should build your confidence and trust in us.

Here are a few examples of our control and compliance steps for our operations:



- ✓ We use QuickBooks to track every penny that comes in or goes out, by function, program and/or donor. Our records are audited by a CPA firm (and we have received all unqualified opinions). A trusted independent volunteer reconciles our accounts monthly.
- ✓ We use a three-step process for approval, review and payment of invoices and other expenses.
- ✓ We have a formal online process for people in our various countries to request fruit trees, equipment, books, training or other support.
- ✓ We discuss business plans with potential beneficiaries before approving larger projects.
- ✓ We require GPS tracking of all trees that we give away to farmers.
- ✓ We implement independent reviews of school and community-based programs.

- ✓ We request photos and receipts throughout the year, keeping an open line of communication with both suppliers and recipients.
- ✓ We travel on location to inspect farms, factories, and our partner groups.

These are our main approaches to ensure we are accountable. We're regulated. We stay compliant. We're transparent. We have no secrets.

Any questions? Suggestions? Reach out to our Treasurer at info@treesthatfeed.org.

Jamaica Visit

In 2024, TTFF led an educational tour of breadfruit nurseries, farms, and flour processing facilities in Jamaica. Our Jamaican partners and beneficiaries shared their breadfruit expertise with guests who are now utilizing it in Haiti, Uganda, and Belize.



Visiting some of the first breadfruit trees TTFF planted were (l-r) Jouva Remolus, World Food Program; Mike McLaughlin, TTFF; Fabrice Leclercq, International Labor Organization; Kamya Musigire of Uganda; Mary McLaughlin, TTFF; Stephan Jean-Pierre, Catholic Relief Services; Philip Bucknor of Belize; and Jean-Maurice Buteau, GeoNova. Not pictured: Natasha Norris, TTFF.

One traveler said, “Trees That Feed has saved us 10 years of work in Haiti!” He is among a group of organizations, including the United Nations World Food Program and International Labor Organization, that has since the trip launched a breadfruit school feeding program that mimics TTFF’s in Haiti.

This has been one of TTFF’s goals from the beginning—to prove the concept (of breadfruit as a valuable, sustainable agribusiness) and to have large organizations follow and expand on our success.

Jamaican Mr. Alfred McLean (r) taught Ugandan Mr. Kamya Musigire (l), TTFF East Africa representative, how to propagate breadfruit trees using roots. Mr. McLean produced 15,000 breadfruit trees that we planted in Jamaica in 2024.





One of the highlights of the trip was the Breadfruit Mastermind, a symposium that brought together experts in the breadfruit business. The morning session concentrated on breadfruit processing and products, while the afternoon had an agricultural focus.

Approximately 75 guests shared in the day, which was presented by TTFF and OneRegeneration. The space, generously donated for the event by Robert O'Brien, was filled with passion for the possibilities of breadfruit.

Over the past 16 years, TTFF has planted approximately 200,000 food bearing trees in Jamaica. This country was selected for our educational tour because it is now among the world's leaders in the breadfruit industry.

At the Breadfruit Mastermind, guests learned about building agribusinesses with breadfruit.



Karlene Johnson, owner of Something Country bakery, demonstrated how to make breadfruit pizzelles at the daylong event.

Bahamas Visit

Mary and Mike McLaughlin's visit to the Bahamas in 2024 was both for monitoring and a learning experience.

On their first day they met with Lady Ann Marie Davis, First Lady of the Bahamas. Mrs. Davis has become a true champion of planting breadfruit trees for food sovereignty.

They traveled to Abaco and visited four farms that received breadfruit trees from TTFF. Those trees were sent in 2020 to help reforest the nation after Hurricane Dorian. We uncovered some interesting results:

- ✓ TTFF's opinion that breadfruit trees love people was reaffirmed! The trees planted near homes, where kitchen scraps and water are disposed of, were healthy and fruited quickly.
- ✓ Also reconfirmed was the belief that biodiverse agroforests provide a healthier environment than monoculture orchards do.

All farmers help improve TTFF's strategies by sharing their experiences. Thank you to Abaco Big Bird Family Farm, Driftwood Food Company, Abaco Neem, and Mrs. Debbie Burrows for giving Mary and Mike farm tours.

The McLaughlins enjoyed collaborative sessions with several other people who value breadfruit. Special mention goes to Pericles Maillis, Errington Thompson, Glen Smith and Danielle Hanek.

TTFF is grateful to the government officials, community leaders and farmers who have helped us plant over 6,000 breadfruit trees in many islands of the Bahamas.



Mary and Mike planted a breadfruit tree with First Lady Ann Marie Davis and government dignitaries.

Backyard Food Forest



Mrs. Debbie Burrows, shown here with Mike, has seven breadfruit trees amidst her backyard food forest in Abaco, Bahamas.

She feeds her multigenerational family fresh, healthy meals made with the variety of fruits and vegetables grown on her two-acre farm. She sells the excess produce, enjoying a sustainable income.

“ Absolutely incredible.
Your dream of feeding the world
and alleviating malnutrition/
hunger is quickly coming to
fruition. So very proud of
being involved. ”

CATHY HENRY
ROTARY CLUB OF ST. CATHARINES SOUTH
ONTARIO, CANADA

Mrs. Burrows has overcome the challenge of having soil that is just a few inches deep sitting on limestone rock with a smart strategy. She lets her chickens out of the coop for a few hours each day. They provide pest control and fertilizer.

The organic material from her trees and plants are left on the ground. With this natural fertilizer, her breadfruit trees bear fruit in less than two years!

Uganda Visit

Led by TTFF East Africa Representative Kamya Musigire, our work in Uganda skyrocketed in 2024! Thanks go to many hardworking partners and volunteers.

In a country where breadfruit is not native, Ugandans are showing deep appreciation for this new, valuable food source. Natasha Norris, TTFF Communications and Program Manager, witnessed this firsthand during a trip made for exploration, education, and accountability.

One of the most exciting accomplishments of the year was the successful propagation of breadfruit trees. Thus far, we have been importing them from a tissue culture lab in the U.S. Now Kafene Nursery and His Grace Demo Farm, along with Kamya, are producing breadfruit trees locally through air-layering.

Twenty more farmers learned this propagation method at two TTFF Breadfruit Mastermind events. Expert trainers included Nattimba Grace, Philippa Nantamu, and Kamya Musigire.

Hundreds of villagers tasted breadfruit for the first time thanks to Nightingale Kasumba, who prepared kabalagala (a traditional banana pancake), mandazi (Ugandan drop scones), fruitcake, and porridge, all made with breadfruit flour.

TTFF led a propagation training southwest of Kampala in Nsasi village at His Grace Demo Farm during our Breadfruit Mastermind event hosted by Grace Mubiru and Kathy Johnson, one of TTFF's most passionate and active volunteers.





LEFT During a daylong workshop in the town of Gulu in northern Uganda, we examined breadfruit trees growing in the food forests of Freedom in Creation, Mark Okoke, Aid Africa (event host), and Kanya Musigire.



ABOVE A Ugandan family expressed their appreciation to Natasha Norris, TTFF Communications and Program Manager (right) after the father and son learned to air-layer breadfruit trees, the children received educational activity books, and they all enjoyed breadfruit-based snacks!



LEFT Villagers tasted traditional foods made with breadfruit flour, including kabalagala (banana pancakes) and mandazi (Ugandan drop scones).

All TTFF's integrated programs – Fruit Trees, Nutritious Food, Entrepreneurship, and Education – will continue to be implemented broadly and methodically to help Ugandans achieve self-sustaining households and businesses.



TTFF continues to be successful in Haiti despite the much-publicized problems there. The communities we help are in somewhat remote areas, away from the gangs and the crime.



TTFF's Haiti school feeding program continues with breadfruit flour and nutritional biscuits (konparets) we purchase from trusted partners in Jeremie (Southwest), Trou du Nord (Northeast) and Jacmel (Central). Photo credit: Effort Vision

We experienced one of our biggest wins yet when the World Food Program and International Labor Organization decided to emulate our breadfruit-based school feeding program in Haiti on a massive scale.

First, representatives of the United Nations agencies joined TTFF in Jamaica on an educational tour of the breadfruit industry. (See pages 6-7.)

After we introduced WFP and ILO to TTFF beneficiary-turned-partner Pierre Moise Louis, owner of Jeremie Breadfruit Flour and Nursery in Haiti, they purchased 15 tons of breadfruit flour from him! This is an important win for Haiti ... beginning to feed its own people instead of depending on imported foods.

When TTFF helps entrepreneurs, our goal is to see a sustainable agribusiness that will benefit the owner, as well as the community. Profitability is necessary for sustained, permanent results. We are proud to have walked with Pierre Moise from the beginning.

We feel that an invaluable strength of TTFF is our ability to truly partner with others to achieve our goals. Likewise, we excel at connecting partners in the breadfruit industry to one another for the good of our shared mission.



The World Food Program gave breadfruit dumplings their seal of approval. In 2024, along with the International Labor Organization, they purchased 15 tons of breadfruit flour for school feeding. And that was just their pilot program!



Dr. Ken Banks, a longtime TTFF board member and avid tropical tree enthusiast, often visits the Caribbean on our behalf. Recognized as a biodiversity hotspot, Guadeloupe was one of his destinations this year.

The archipelago is home to a mango collection that contains many exotic varieties not found elsewhere. With his new contacts, Dr. Banks hopes to get grafting material from these cultivars to share with other parts of the Caribbean and South Florida.

He brought back leaf samples from breadfruit trees in an impressive agroforest for genetic testing. If all goes well, we can purchase saplings from this farm to plant elsewhere on the islands.

Another opportunity for impact, the Parc National de la Guadeloupe showed much interest in the French Caribbean version of TTFF's educational activity book, *Plant a Tree and Good Things Happen*.

Guadeloupe holds great potential. We thank Dr. Banks for opening the door to it.

Mr. Grégoire Dacolor's agroforest near Capesterre-Belle-Eau, Guadeloupe was filled with breadfruit trees.



Mr. Modeste Salignat (l) of the Parc National de la Guadeloupe was among the important new contacts Dr. Ken Banks (r) made for TTFF on his trip to Guadeloupe.



Volunteers

In the past year, several individuals with a heart for the TTFF mission volunteered their time and expertise. We have had so many volunteers over the years that it would be impossible to list them here, but we appreciate all of you too!

John Arana, Belize
Nancy Bardon, Uganda
Raul Bermudez, Trinidad & Tobago
Philip Bucknor, Belize
Grace Cameron, Canada
Debra Campbell, US
Joan Dodson, US
Marc Ellenby, Belize
Monica Fox, US
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Steve Hurley, US
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Kathy Johnson, Uganda
Nightingale Kasumba, Uganda
Nancy Kurz, US

Iram Lewis, Bahamas
Paula Lombardo, US
Eva Lydeking, Ghana
Danh Mai, US
Pericles Maillis, Bahamas
Nick and Daphne Maioulis, Bahamas
Eric McLaughlin, US
Mary and Mike McLaughlin, US
Saimon Mollel, Tanzania
Kamya Musigire, Uganda
Philippa Nantamu, Uganda
Northwestern Univ. students, US
Judy Osgood, US
Ronald Poon-Affat, Brazil
Rotary Clubs, various countries
Bindley Sangster, Jamaica
Renate Schneider, US
Allan Sturdy, Haiti
Adriana Talavera, US
Michael Terrelonge, Jamaica
Locksley Waites, Jamaica

Board of Directors

Our governing board ensures our transparency and accountability. All our board members are active and make valuable contributions to the organization.

Thank you to the board for your direction and support!

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Mary L. McLaughlin

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S. Michael McLaughlin

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Nicola Barrett, FSA
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Nyree Zerega, PhD



Nancy Bardon (l), who couriers breadfruit trees from California to Uganda, is shown with East Africa representative Kamya Musigire (r) who distributes trees, trains farmers, and more.



Pericles Maillis (r), who plants breadfruit and many other fruit trees on New Providence Island in the Bahamas, is shown with Mary McLaughlin.*



Nick Maioulis (l) of Abaco NEEM Farm in the Bahamas is shown with Mike McLaughlin.*



Judy Osgood (r) has worked alongside us in the office every Tuesday for more than a decade. She is shown here introducing children to TTFF's educational activity book of which she is a co-author.

*Mary and Mike McLaughlin are not only co-founders of TTFF, but they have been working nearly full-time as volunteers for the past 16 years with no sign of slowing down.

Breadfruit Recipes

Our mission is planting fruit trees to feed people. Great idea, right, but there's a bit more work to do. We teach tree survival and care, fertilizing, pruning and reaping the fruit. And then we turn to food.

In many cases the fruit is eaten fresh. Breadfruit though is starchy and is typically cooked first.

At Trees That Feed we don't try to force new foods into an established culture, but we do suggest new and innovative ways to prepare the foods that are accepted. You saw examples of this on pages 10-11.

“Your work is so important and the results, outstanding!”

SHARON WEINGARTEN, MSW
NORTHBROOK, ILLINOIS

Breadfruit flour has a long shelf life, so it can be stored for use out of season. It retains the nutrients present in fresh breadfruit, and it's gluten-free! Breadfruit processed into flour opens the window to an endless array of recipes.

We're still working to improve the availability of fresh or frozen breadfruit and breadfruit flour, both locally in-country and in the United States. Capacity is building! Some flours are available to order online. (See our back cover!) Soon, others will be too.



Explore unique recipes
using breadfruit and
breadfruit flour!

Breadfruit Banana Cake

Jamie Carmichael

Ingredients

½ cup butter, melted
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 tsp vanilla
½ tsp nutmeg
½ tsp cinnamon
1 ½ cups breadfruit flour
1 tsp salt
1 tsp baking soda
1 tsp baking powder
½ cup milk
juice of 1 lime
3 medium bananas, mashed



Directions

Preheat oven 350 degrees.
Grease cake or loaf pan.

In large bowl: stir melted butter and sugar.
Add eggs and vanilla.
Mix milk, lime juice and bananas.
Fold into butter mixture.
Combine flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt and spices. Add to the batter.
Spread evenly into cake pan.
Bake 60 minutes or until a toothpick inserted comes out clean.
Cool 10 minutes before removing to a wire rack to cool completely.



Solar Food Dehydration

Breadfruit and other fruits are delicious and nutritious. Fresh breadfruit, which may seem relatively dry, is typically 70 percent moisture. Mangoes are juicier and typically 80 percent water. But they may not stay in top condition for very long after they're picked. Why? Actually, the moisture.

The water can be removed though, without damaging the fruit's nutrition. The benefit of removing the water is that it is no longer available to fungal or microbial activity. Translation? The dried fruit typically has a shelf life measured in years rather than days!

Solar food dehydration has been practiced in Asia for centuries. It's cheaper and generally more available than fuel or electricity.

In conjunction with Northwestern University, Mike designed a large dryer with a capacity of 120 pounds of fruit per day. Units have been in use for nearly 10 years. After purchase, ongoing costs are close to zero.

Dried breadfruit shreds are ground into flour. They can also replace noodles!



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PHOTO CREDIT: THE HAITI TREE PROJECT



PHOTO CREDIT: GLOBAL FREEDOM PROJECT

TTFF's Mike McLaughlin, in conjunction with Northwestern University engineering students, designed Hybrid Solar Dehydrators that our partners have been building and using in countries like Haiti and Jamaica for nearly 10 years.



*Access an animation,
assembly guide, technical
paper and more!*

Representatives of the World Food Program and International Labor Organization examined our design, and they have decided to build 50 units in various communities in southwest Haiti. That boosts the local economy and improves nutrition for schoolchildren.

In the News

Lights, Camera, Action

Mary and Mike gave television interviews on two occasions in 2024 – once in the U.S. and once in Jamaica!

CBS NEWS
CHICAGO



Off the Press

More print pieces ran on Trees That Feed this year than ever before. See what many of these publications with extensive reaches have to say!

B B C

Breadfruit: The Caribbean's hurricane resistant food

The Atlantic

Too Few Americans Are Eating a Remarkable Fruit

Breadfruit is a staple in tropical places—and climate change is pushing its range north.

Le Monde

Hawaii Reclaims the Breadfruit Tree and its Nourishing Fruit

This forgotten traditional food of Polynesian culture, rich in protein, iron or vitamin D, depending on the variety, is regaining popularity among a generation concerned with cultural affirmation.

Rotary
MAGAZINE

Food of the Future

Can the curiously named breadfruit feed a warming world?

WIRED

Breadfruit is Here to Save the World

This calorie-rich, nutrient-dense, and climate-resilient crop has the power to step in for more common staples that can't handle global warming.

ABACOSun

Breadfruit Rising

A new staple takes root.

In Memoriam



Trees That Feed bid farewell in 2024 to a trio of valued partners and friends who moved our mission forward.

Mr. Joseph Johnson (1954-2024) became an official representative of TTFF after retiring from a career with the Jamaican Government's Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. He owned Eltham Gardens, a tree nursery in Clarendon. Mr. Johnson sold thousands of fruit trees to us and helped distribute them across Jamaica. He trained beneficiaries on tree care and breadfruit flour processing. Our partnership with Eltham Gardens continues with his daughter, Ms. Jody-Ann Johnson.



Mrs. Ivy Gordon (1957-2024) led Jeffrey Town Farmers Association (JTFA) in northeastern Jamaica along with her husband, Joe. The Gordons worked with TTFF in sustainable agriculture and community development for 15 years. Ivy was an early advocate of breadfruit and shared her knowledge and creative uses of breadfruit flour. Her legacy continues in hundreds of thousands of children who have breadfruit-based meals at schools in Jamaica and Haiti.



Mr. Sidney Carroll (1964-2024) owned a nursery in Nassau called Bahamas Palms. He cared for our baby breadfruit trees until they were ready for planting on the islands. Mr. Carroll's deep knowledge and infectious love of plants affected many people. He posted these words in our Breadfruit Bahamas working group on WhatsApp: "Let us all continue to do our part. In the end it may not be small at all. You never know who you might have a large impact on."

“ Just want to say a tremendous thank you to all the team members, headed by Mrs. McLaughlin, for investing in the Mizpah Early Childhood Institution. Your thoughtfulness has been transforming lives. Both students and staff absolutely love the breadfruit bullas. That was an awesome, innovative idea to create the bullas. The size is right and the taste is even better. The addition of the ginger in the bullas gave them an improved taste and they are fabulous with cheese. Again we applaud the team for a job well done. Keep up the good work and we truly appreciate you! ”

ELIZABETH POWELL
MIZPAH EARLY CHILDHOOD INSTITUTION
MANCHESTER, JAMAICA

Dateline 2024

(A partial list of TTFF activities and accomplishments in 2024)

January

- Purchased 15,000 breadfruit trees for distribution in Jamaica
- Enabled 175 Haitian women to become vendors of breadfruit-based nutritional biscuits through Women's Empowerment Program between January and December
- Provided fruit dehydration equipment for Grimal Grove in Big Pine Key, Florida

February

- Quoted in BBC Travel article, "Breadfruit: The Caribbean's hurricane-resistant food"

March

- Included in The Atlantic's report on "remarkable" breadfruit
- Planted 1,000 fruit trees in national parks with Uganda Conservation Foundation

April

- Donated 400 activity books and 500 breadfruit trees in Roatan, Honduras
- Distributed breadfruit-based food for Easter with The Haiti Tree Project
- Built a hybrid solar dehydrator to complete Linga Ya's flour factory in Jamaica

May

- Led United Nations agencies on tour of Jamaican breadfruit industry
- Presented Breadfruit Mastermind event featuring breadfruit experts across Jamaica
- Planted 400 breadfruit trees in Ghana
- Provided factory equipment for Rayjon Share Care Women's Federation in Haiti

June

- World Food Program / International Labor Organization launched pilot school feeding program in Haiti
- Printed 3,000 educational activity books for Jamaican children
- Welcomed James Hansford to board of directors
- Planted 500 breadfruit trees in Trinidad

July

- Quoted in breadfruit article by French publication Le Monde
- Aided damaged agribusinesses in the Caribbean after Hurricane Beryl

August

- Explored opportunities in Guadeloupe, thanks to board member Dr. Ken Banks
- Built up breadfruit tree project in Saba, also thanks to Dr. Banks and his travels

September

- Included in WIRED article: "Breadfruit is Here to Save the World!"
- Shipped 144 breadfruit trees to Saba and St. Eustatius ("Statia")
- Planted 430 fruit trees in Kenya with Bright Hope
- Provided kitchen equipment to St. Lucia breadfruit waffle businesswoman

October

- Sponsored agricultural development training for Ghanaian women
- Delivered breadfruit plants to Uganda, thanks to volunteer courier Nancy Bardon

November

- Examined opportunities in Tanzania, thanks to East Africa representative Kanya Musigire, who traveled there and laid initial groundwork
- Planted 100 breadfruit trees in Dominica
- Supplied equipment to create two breadfruit flour factories in Ghana

December

- Printed 500 educational activity books in Uganda
- Met with government officials and monitored farm projects in the Bahamas
- Implemented flood victim relief feeding program in Haiti with Jeremie Breadfruit Flour and Nursery, thanks to a volunteer fundraiser

EVERY MONTH

- Delivered thousands of breadfruit-based meals to schools and orphanages in Jamaica and Haiti
- Trained hundreds in various countries on tree care and tracking, flour processing, food preparation, and more
- Planted at least 200 breadfruit trees monthly in Haiti

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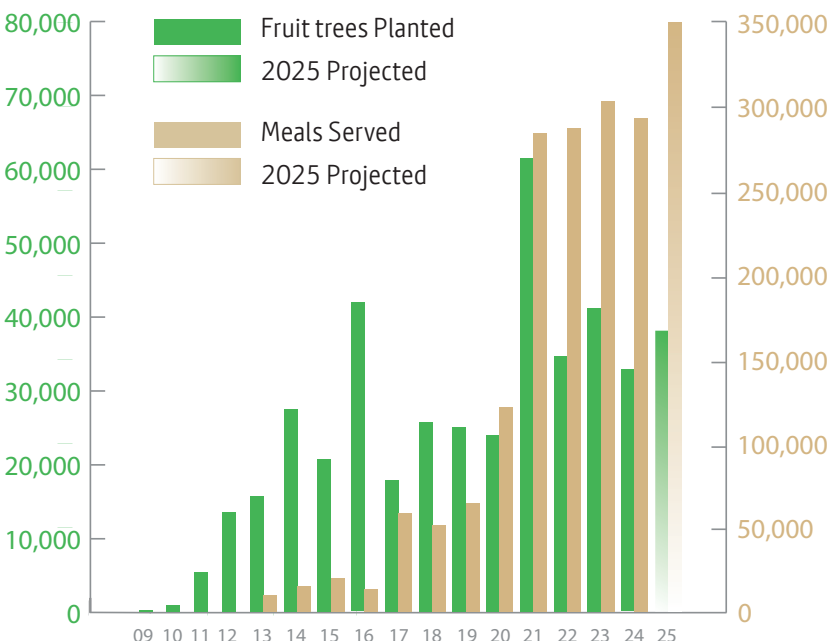
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Financial Summary

Fruit Trees Planted and Meals Served (2025 Projected)



	2024	2023
Contributions	\$367,669	\$382,126
Fruit Trees	\$181,232	191,274
Equipment	\$40,207	\$18,163
Education and Training	\$18,021	\$15,740
Food Products	\$83,728	\$86,208
Administrative	\$67,334	\$63,308
Total Expenses	\$390,521	\$374,693
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$22,852)	\$7,433
Expense Ratio	18.3%	16.6%
Net Assets	\$583,294	\$606,146

Notes to Financials: 1. Audited. 2. Prior year numbers revised slightly. 3. Our policy is to hold net assets equal to approximately one year of contributions, as a reserve against economic fluctuation. 4. Contributions declined 3.8 percent. No specific issue was observed. 5. The expense ratio increased 1.7 percent due to payroll expenses and lower contributions. 6. Program expenses increased with increasing activity. 7. We expect occasional deficits in operations, which are funded from our net assets held in reserve.

“ Thank you for being an integral part of our success story. Your dedication and collaboration are deeply appreciated. We are very grateful for the fruit tree seedlings, and we promise to take good care of them. We shall also keep you posted regularly as far as their development is concerned. ”

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ABOVE *Co-founder Mike McLaughlin*

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