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**U.S.**
The CROP Hunger Walk partners with the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts to provide individuals with the tools they need to survive, and brings communities together long term solutions to end hunger. The Food Bank is the largest distributor of emergency food that reaches individuals and families in the region. CWS has given more than $122,000 over 25 years. “Now, that’s impressive and a testament to CWS’ commitment to taking on hunger in our region,” says Andrew Morehouse, the Food Bank’s executive director.

**HAITI**
In Ganthier and Boum, Haiti, CWS leads an ACT Alliance program to improve living conditions for families by increasing access to dignified, safe housing and improved access to clean water and sanitation facilities. Yves Charles, a beneficiary in Boum, said, “What they gave us is not something little; it is big. We don’t know when we would be able to do this ourselves.”

**ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, PARAGUAY**
CWS supports indigenous communities in South America’s Gran Chaco region as they seek to reclaim access to their ancestral lands, and search for sustainable solutions to chronic food, water, sanitation and hygiene challenges. Funders, partners and CWS staff work together to help these vulnerable communities. CWS has supported indigenous rights associations, including communities of Guarani, Wichi, Qom and Enxet Sur who for centuries lived as semi-nomadic hunter gatherers before losing most of their land to development and climate shifts.

**MEXICO, NICARAGUA, PANAMA, URUGUAY**
A growing number of children across Latin America and the Caribbean have an incarcerated parent. This adversity affects children and often leads to a dangerous combination of trauma, shame and stigma. CWS is a leader in PPNAPES, a regional coalition advocating on behalf of children with incarcerated parents. With the recent addition of members from Chile and Mexico, PPNAPES now advocates on behalf of 71 percent of children of incarcerated parents in the region.

**TANZANIA & RWANDA**
More than 270,000 people have fled Burundi since the outbreak of violence in April 2015. CWS has been at the forefront of the ACT Alliance response in neighboring Tanzania. This emergency response has included the construction of 361 new water points, latrines and houses. CWS has been at the forefront of the ACT Alliance response in neighboring Tanzania.

**CAMBODIA**
Some years ago, Sim received seeds, tools and training as part of a CWS program. Through the years, Sim has taken the initiative to learn how to improve his farm. In addition to fish and poultry, Sim has expanded his home garden to include several kinds of paddy, chili, eggplant, long bean, papaya, cucumber and banana.

**GAMBIA**
A family in Gambia cares for their sick mother. CWS sent them medical care, and helped them secure microfinance loans to purchase medicine and other necessary items.

**VIETNAM**
Twenty million people in Vietnam do not have access to sanitary latrines. CWS works through an approach called Community-Led Total Sanitation to increase access to latrines. This past year, CWS helped build more than 3,000 latrines in Vietnam, with 17 villages being certified as Open Defecation Free as a result, including one commune made up of 13 villages.

**INDONESIA**
Hermi, a farmer in Indonesia, cares for 14 farmers in Fetomone village in West Timor who work together to grow vegetables with CWS support. Hermi says, “The vegetables really help us a lot — when we harvest, our families can eat some and the rest we can sell and share the income among our group members. This additional income means we can buy rice, cooking oil and salt. The money also helps us pay school costs for our children.”

**BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA, GEORGIA, MOLDOVA**
CWS and partners provide training and resources for farmers and communities to utilize renewable energy and develop cooperatives and social enterprises in order for vulnerable groups to build sustainable livelihoods. Last year, CWS helped buy one of the first energy-independent community in Rizhino and Hingezorga.

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**SERBIA**
Cveta was born into an impoverished Roma family. Now 36 and a mother of five, Cveta participates in CWS literacy and small business classes for Roma women and says she has fulfilled her burning desire to go to school. She says she will not be satisfied with just being literate; she wants to finish primary school and then train for a certain profession afterwards, in order to provide for her family more efficiently.

**GUATEMALA**
Petrona works in one of 68 CWS supported greenhouses in Guatemala. This provides more nutrition and income for her family. In her words, “We harvested 350 lbs of tomatoes from the greenhouse between the six of us in our group. Most of our families eat. We sell a little bit between the six of us in our group. Most of it our families eat. We sell a little bit, but we don’t want to be dependent on others.”

**MYANMAR (BURMA)**
In Myanmar’s Ayeyarwady Region, CWS and partners team up to make sure children have the nutrition, sanitation and hygiene they need to grow and thrive.

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More than 120,000 people helped to raise over $10 million to fight hunger locally and globally through CROP Hunger Walks, supporting CWS’ global hunger fighting agencies.

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