

TPRF Expands Food for People Program in Ghana



The Prem Rawat Foundation (TPRF) is expanding its [Food for People](#) (FFP) program in Ghana to serve nutritious daily meals to an additional 110 disadvantaged children.

The model feeding program operates in India, Nepal and Ghana, and is serving nourishing food to thousands of children and ailing adults in need. In 2015 the TPRF program provided more than 304,500 meals to people in poverty-stricken areas. With a recent [expansion in Nepal](#) and the newest growth in Ghana, TPRF is on track to significantly exceed that number in 2016.



Since the Foundation opened its first FFP kitchen in 2006, the program has had remarkable results improving health, increasing school attendance, achievement and growing local economies.

In the small town of Otinibi, Ghana the expansion comes at the [request of administrators](#) at the Aisha Bint Khalifa School to let its students eat daily lunches at the nearby FFP facility. Most of the pupils there are orphans and were previously being fed haphazardly, often by teachers who paid for student meals out of their own pockets.

Aisha Bint Khalifa students and faculty began eating at the state-of-the-art facility on May 10, expressing excitement and appreciation as they dined on local cuisine.

<https://youtu.be/YMd-kS9frJA>

“Today is a very important day in our lives because we have been enrolled in the Food for People program. The food is very good and I’m very happy,” said Assistant Headmaster Elvis Lawson. “I pray that this program is going to lead to an increase in enrollment at the school.”

As she oversaw her class of jovial pupils, Teacher Gladys Osei Owusu said, “The food is very nice. It’s delicious. I’m very happy that our school has been enrolled in this program. I hope it will help our kids perform well in school.”

Several of the children also said they thought the food was tasty and expressed appreciation for being part of the program.



Aisha Bint Khalifa students are joining a much larger group of children at the dining tables from Otinibi Basic School who have been eating at the facility since it opened in 2012. Since then, enrollment at the school has doubled to more than 700 largely because of the food program. Earlier this year, a range of students, parents and officials [celebrated the grand opening](#) of three new kindergarten classrooms that were badly needed to accommodate the increase.

“I am grateful to The Prem Rawat Foundation and its founder, the donors and the kitchen staff,” said Samuel Osam, a parent of children at Otinibi Basic. “The nutritious food provided by the kitchen is the obvious reason for the steady increase of students at the school. My children are healthier, and now I can save some money that I otherwise would have had to spend on food.”