

Every Child, Every Day

Every day Feed the Hungry feed over 7,000 children in Burkina Faso



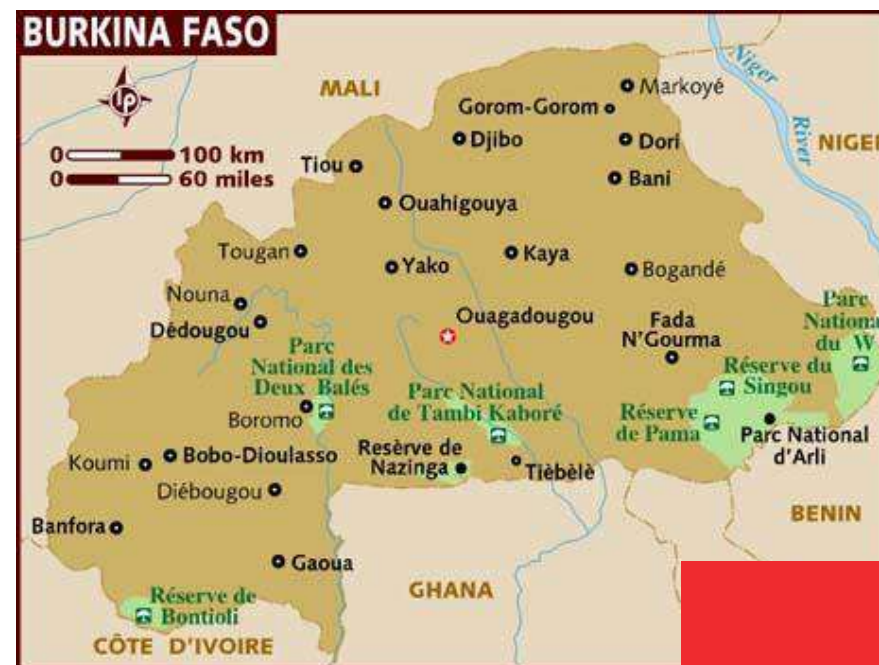
SUPPORTING NEW SCHOOLS

A team from two UK Churches helped to build a new school in Bobo. These Churches have in turn approached Feed The Hungry to provide food for the new schools. The food we provide will support not only the 200 school children but also a further 800 vulnerable people in the community.

Facts:

Malnutrition is an underlying cause of death of 2.6 million children each year – a third of child deaths globally. Undernutrition accounts for 11 per cent of the global burden of disease and is considered the number one risk to health worldwide

Burkina Faso



Overview and facts

Burkina Faso is a landlocked country in West Africa. It covers an area of around 274,200 square kilometres and is surrounded by six countries: Mali to the north; Niger to the east; Benin to the southeast; Togo and Ghana to the south; and Ivory Coast to the southwest. As of 1 January 2017, the population of Burkina Faso was estimated to be 18,909,665 people.

It is the 74th largest country in the world in terms of land area with 274,200 square kilometres (105,870 square miles).

Ouagadougou is the capital and largest city of Burkina Faso. It is the administrative, communications, cultural and economic centre of the nation. The city's name is often shortened to Ouaga. The inhabitants are called ouagalais.

Burkina Faso terrain is mostly flat to dissected, undulating plains and hills in west and southeast. Mount Tenakourou is the highest point of Burkina Faso, with an altitude of 747 metres (2,451 feet).

Since becoming independent in 1960, Burkina Faso has experienced repeated military coups. It's struggled under unstable and, sometimes, oppressive leadership. It's not an easy place to live in.

As one of the poorest countries in the world, Burkina Faso has around 44% of its population living under the poverty line.

A poor country even by West African standards, landlocked Burkina Faso has suffered from recurring droughts and military coups. Burkina Faso, which means "land of honest men", has significant reserves of gold, but the country has faced domestic and external concern over the state of its economy and human rights.



Feed The Hungry's Partner in Burkina Faso, working in Ouagadougou

Feed The Hungry has worked in Burkina Faso since 2009. Our operations go beyond feeding, we also encourage children, particularly girls, into education. Working in partnership with Victory International Ministries, we distribute food in 32 schools. By providing a regular meal to young people through schools, it encourages the students to attend school, rather than skipping school to go and find a meal for that day. While we currently support 7,000 pupils in this way, our hope is to increase this to 10,000 pupils.



Water filters have already been supplied into the community; this has radically improved the life expectancy of children in the area. Adding food to this programme will be a game changer.

