



# Speroway

FOOD • EDUCATION • HEALTH



**DEAR FRIENDS,**

In my 23 years of executive leadership in the charitable sector, I have sat with mothers holding babies too sick to eat; I have seen malnourished children too weak to hold their own bodies up—let alone go to school; and I have spoken with countless parents desperate to find ways to feed their families.

It's been my privilege to travel to over 50 countries, where I have visited families and communities whose lives have been transformed through programs like those at Speroway.

What does Speroway mean? Our unique name combines *Spero*, the Latin word for 'hope' with *way*, representing the path we follow. It's a picture of a hopeful way forward—both for our organization, and the children and communities we serve.

Since 2004, Speroway has been providing access to emergency food to disadvantaged children and families globally, and to vulnerable communities in Canada.

Last year, Speroway provided over 2 million meals – just under 200,000 nutritious meals monthly – to children and families in Kenya, Malawi, Haiti, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Nepal, and Canada. We also supported thousands of others through quality education, healthcare, and life skills training.

We strongly believe in a partnership model that works through the power of collaboration. By investing in the local communities and relying on the strength of volunteers—both here and internationally—we work towards lasting impact in our fight against global hunger, illness, illiteracy and poverty.

Together, we can make a difference in the lives of children and families around the world!

Warm regards,

**KEN FORBES  
PRESIDENT, SPEROWAY**

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# GLOBAL IMPACT

## MALAWI

Speroway's feeding programs focus on the most vulnerable in Malawi. Alongside our partners, we provide nearly 80,000 nutritious meals monthly through hundreds of schools, churches, and community-based centres. We empower locals through agricultural training and partner with rural healthcare facilities to provide basic medical and dental care.



## KENYA

Speroway fights hunger in Kenya, providing close to 11,000 meals monthly to orphaned and vulnerable children. Speroway supports children in primary education and cares for children through the Home of Grace Care Centre. In our Wezesha Education program, we provide secondary and post-secondary scholarships and mentoring—helping to develop the next generation of leaders in the country.



## NEPAL

Speroway responds to natural disasters and emergencies. We distribute food, tents, temporary shelter, warm clothes, and essential supplies to vulnerable children and families affected by the 2015 earthquakes that devastated the country. Speroway partners with local organizations to support feeding programs and orphan care.



## CANADA

Speroway supports communities in need, including underprivileged First Nations communities, refugees, and other vulnerable groups. Through nearly 100 partners across the country—food banks, community centres, women and children shelters, churches, and schools—Speroway distributes food, warm clothing, and hygiene items to families in need.



## HAITI

During the emergency-relief phase after Haiti's earthquake in 2010, Speroway was there. Speroway continues to work in the country and provides nutritious meals through school feeding, orphan sponsorship, and student sponsorship programs. We also support education and health programs through partners like Mission of Hope Haiti, UCI Haiti, and Lift Kids.



## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Speroway works in Ascension and Caraballo, providing over 4,000 meals monthly through a community-based feeding program to vulnerable children. Speroway also supports hundreds of children and youth through education and life skills training. Secondary and post-secondary scholarships and education support are also provided to bright and motivated youth from disadvantaged backgrounds.



## EL SALVADOR

Through partnerships with local organizations and government, Speroway works to strengthen the well-being of children and families through promoting health and nutrition practices. This includes community health outreach and training, along with medical and dental care in a clinic Speroway helped to build.



## NICARAGUA

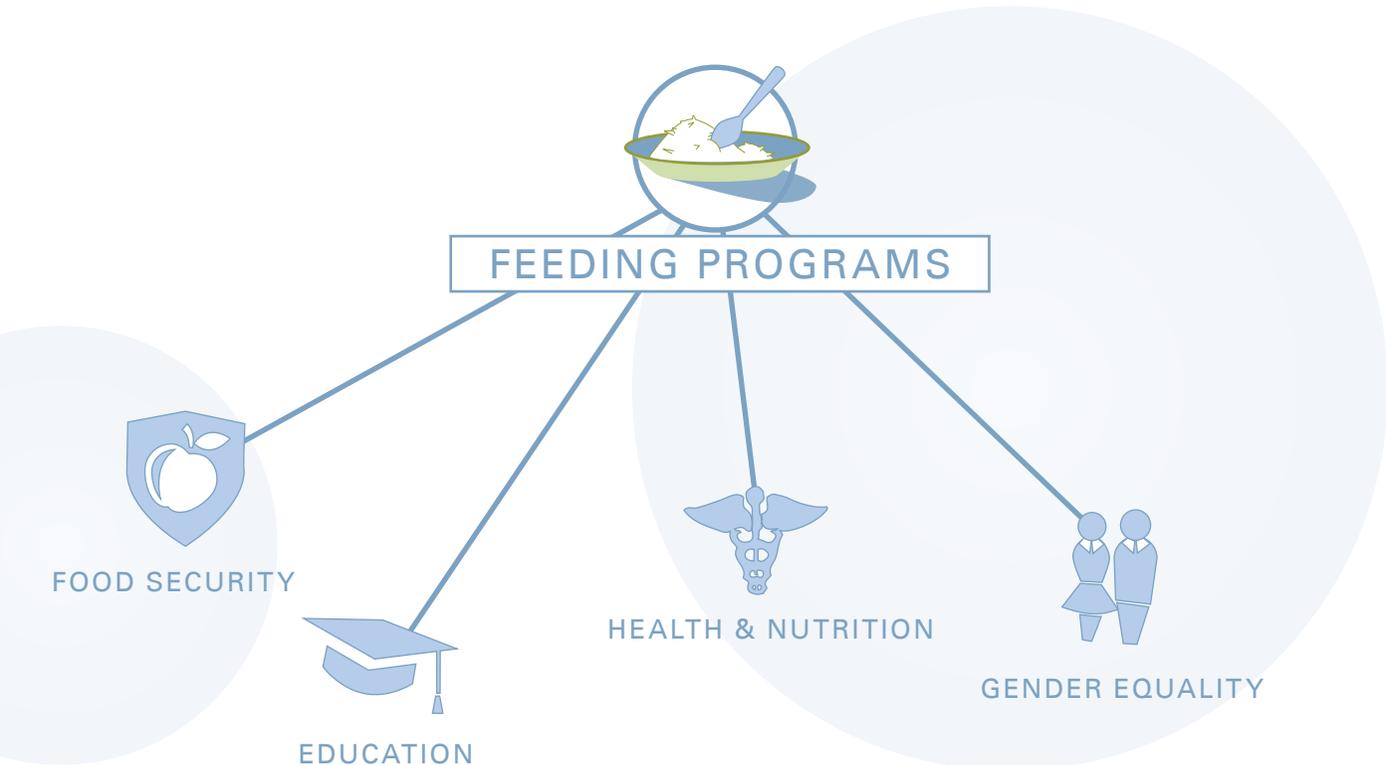
Speroway supports local partners in feeding hungry children and families across the country and responds to educational needs through the World Mission Outreach school, offering children a chance for a brighter future through food and nutrition, education, and basic school supplies.





# FOOD & NUTRITION

One in eight people in the world do not have enough to eat. Help us provide nutritious meals for hungry children and families affected by drought, famine, and poverty.



Nutrition is central to a child’s survival and development. A hungry child does not grow properly, may have difficulty learning, and will face many health challenges in the future.

We focus on school feeding to provide children and families with the essential nutrients they need. School feeding programs improve health and accessible education, which is instrumental in breaking generational cycles of poverty.

School feeding programs not only supply educational and health benefits, but contribute to gender equality, food security and poverty alleviation—all in a single intervention.

Speroway also works with communities to grow sustainable food and promote public health education. Improved seeds and better farming practices result in increased agricultural productivity, which improves overall nutrition in the community.

# CANADIAN FOOD DISTRIBUTION & GIFT-IN-KIND

Nearly 4 million Canadians, including 1.15 million children, suffer from malnutrition or inadequate access to food. Help us deliver food and achieve food security in Canada.

Hunger is more than missing a meal. Children and families across Canada suffering from hunger and malnutrition struggle from recurring illnesses, developmental disabilities, and low productivity, limiting their access to the resources they need to improve their lives.

Our gift-in-kind (GIK) program, and network of nearly one hundred partner organizations—food banks, community centres, churches, and women & children shelters—has distributed over 25 million meals to hungry children in Canada, and around the world, over the last several years.

Through our logistics and supply strategies, Speroway is able to offer our corporate partners the seamless movement of food and other essential supplies in an efficient and cost effective manner, right across the country.

With our generous corporate partners, Speroway procures and distributes millions of pounds of food, hygiene items, and other supplies every year. Please contact us at [info@speroway.com](mailto:info@speroway.com) for partnership opportunities.





Primary Education



Secondary and Post-Secondary Education



# EDUCATION

57 million primary-school aged children around the world do not attend school, 55 percent of which are girls.

When we educate children, we empower communities and help break cycles of poverty, disease, and social inequality.

Children and youth living in poverty face many challenges to education including: weakness from malnourishment; illness; child labour, or having to work at home to care for siblings; inability to pay for school fees, uniforms and supplies. Uneducated children are at greater risk for exploitation, early marriages, and lower income-earning potential.

Speroway seeks to break cycles of poverty by increasing children's access to quality education and developing the next generation of leaders through secondary and post-secondary scholarships, life skills training, and community education initiatives.

## Our programs include

- » **Children's Education:** increasing children's access to quality early-childhood and primary education, with special attention for girls.
- » **Secondary and Post-Secondary Education:** providing scholarships to motivated and bright young people living in poverty who are high academic achievers, but whose families cannot afford their education. Scholarship recipients are determined to give back to their communities and receive financial support for tuition, uniforms, books and school supplies, as well as year-round mentoring, career counseling, and leadership development.
- » **Life Skills Training:** training in agricultural techniques and trades such as sewing and language programs to increase economic opportunities with particular attention on women and vulnerable groups.
- » **Community Education Initiatives:** strengthening community involvement in education to improve learning, teacher support, and proper compensation for quality teachers.

Medical



# HEALTHCARE

Malnutrition continues to be one of the world's most serious health problems and the single biggest contributor to child mortality.

Every child deserves the opportunity to grow up healthy. We work to strengthen the well-being of children and families through promoting health and nutrition practices. Moreover, we work on the prevention of major diseases and provide opportunities to augment maternal and child health.

Dental



## Our programs include

- » **Malnutrition Programs:** addressing under-nutrition, which contributes to 45 percent of deaths of children under the age of 5.
- » **Deworming Programs:** distributing deworming medicines through schools, clinics, and orphanages to the impoverished communities where they're most needed.
- » **Basic Healthcare and Medicines:** working alongside schools, community centres, clinics and churches, with a focus on child and maternal health. We incorporate the basic use of medicines, supplies, and community health education to prevent and treat illnesses.
- » **Community Health Initiatives:** focusing on training with food and nutrition, proper hygiene methods, and prevention of illness and disease. Speroway strengthens medical and dental training centres in Haiti, El Salvador, and Malawi and supports local health workers and professionals with equipment, training, and education.

Volunteer Teams



# VOLUNTEER TEAMS

Make a difference within vulnerable communities globally on healthcare, food and nutrition, education, and development projects.

Speroway works with local health workers, communities, in-country partners and governments to strengthen health systems and health infrastructure. Our volunteers make a difference within vulnerable communities globally on food and nutrition, education, healthcare, and development projects.

- » **Medical and Dental Teams:**  
Speroway's medical and dental teams work on site with community leaders to provide basic and specialized care and to train local health professionals equipping them with the skills to provide sustainable healthcare.
- » **Education and Other Teams:**  
Volunteers partner with schools, feeding programs, community centres, and churches, working hand-in-hand with communities on construction, agriculture, language, and education projects.



# EMERGENCY RELIEF & DISASTER RESPONSE

Speroway responds to natural disasters, conflicts, and emergencies—providing life-saving emergency relief and long term response.

- » **Nepal Earthquakes:**  
Speroway continues to distribute food, tents, temporary shelter, warm clothes, and essential supplies to vulnerable families in need.
- » **Africa Famine Relief:**  
Speroway provided food, water, and other aid in Kenya during the Horn of Africa Food Crisis and in Malawi during the Southeast Africa floods. Speroway continues to work in both countries, alongside schools, community-based centres, churches, and orphanages to provide food and nutrition, healthcare, and education.
- » **Haiti Earthquake:**  
Although the emergency phase of our work in Haiti is over, Speroway is committed to helping rebuild the country. We provide food and nutrition, medical support, and education opportunities for children and young adults.



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