Safeguarding Policy

Food for the Hungry (FH) envisions all relationships restored, every child nurtured and communities transformed. Unfortunately, abuse and exploitation of beneficiaries, especially children, is a very real and growing worldwide problem. We see stories of abuse in news headlines each day.

Food for the Hungry’s Safeguarding Policy stems from our commitment to Biblical values and will ensure the promotion of human rights, specifically protection from unintentional harm as well as deliberate abuse within FH and its partners. It is of utmost importance for us to take the steps necessary to prevent and respond to abuse.

When you travel with Food for the Hungry, you will be asked to join with FH staff in signing the Safeguarding Policy.

In addition, as a supporter of FH you are encouraged to share about your experience with your sponsored child and community. But, we want to ensure you communicate in a way that is safe for the community members and adheres to the Safeguarding Policy.

Here is an example of how you can communicate about your sponsored child:
Please refrain from sharing the following information in a publication or online:

- The full name and location of a child in a FH community.
- The HIV/AIDS, serious illness or disability status of anyone in a FH community.
- Specific details about anyone in a FH community who has a history of sexual/physical abuse.

Avoid contacting your sponsored child through social media

For your protection, as well as the protection of your sponsored child, please do not connect with your sponsored child directly or via social media. Connecting via social media can create unintentional opportunities for outside parties to exploit and jeopardize the safety of your sponsored child.

Contact Information

Please join Food for the Hungry staff in preventing and responding to abuse. If you see abuse or believe your sponsored child has suffered abuse, please contact FH at protection-claim@fh.org or call 1.888.222.1949.