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## Edesia's Mission

Edesia's mission is to help treat and prevent malnutrition in the world's most vulnerable populations.

## Edesia's Mandates

**MANUFACTURE:** Supply humanitarian actors with the highest quality ready-to-use therapeutic and supplementary foods.

**INNOVATE:** Research and develop new nutritional solutions and ideas that further reduce global malnutrition rates.

**PARTICIPATE:** Advocate for policies that specifically target malnutrition; promote the power of the social enterprise business model to solve global health challenges.

**COLLABORATE:** Ensure sustainability of ready-to-use food production worldwide by lending support to manufacturers in developing countries.

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For more information, please visit: [www.edesianutrition.org](http://www.edesianutrition.org)

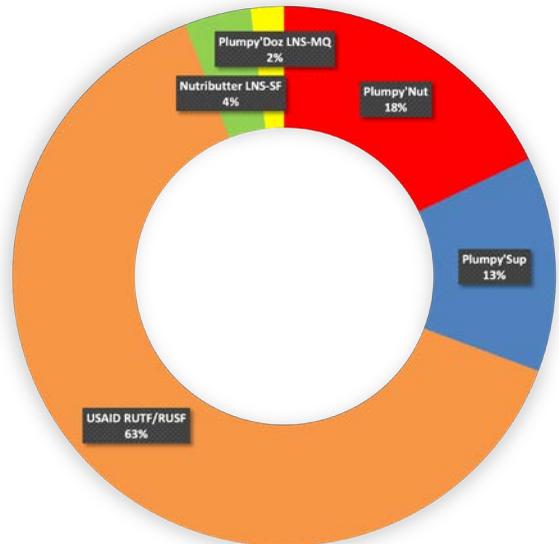
## In 2020, Edesia shipped its full range of ready-to-use foods to the following countries, reaching more than 2.3 million children:

Angola, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, DR Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Liberia, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Syria, Togo, Uganda, Venezuela, Yemen.

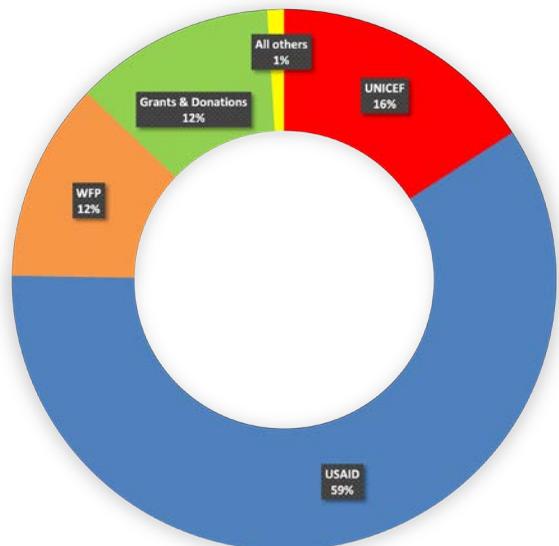
### 2020 Highlights:

- Over 2.3 million severely malnourished children thrived again because of the 180 million packets of life-saving foods shipped to over 28 countries.
- Schoolchildren in Malawi were the first in the world to receive Nutri'School packets, so they could focus on learning and not the distraction of hunger.
- When large humanitarian aid agencies could not supply some countries in Central/South America, Edesia cut through the red tape and reached over 17,500 malnourished children in Honduras, Guatemala, and Venezuela.
- Through strategic investments in new production equipment, Edesia made more nutritious foods than ever before, including our new MeWe Peanut Butter that is helping ease the hunger crisis in the USA.
- The World Food Programme, one of Edesia's main distribution partners since 2010, won the 2020 Nobel Peace Prize for their efforts to fight hunger and malnutrition globally.
- An emergency fund was established to more formally help support nutrition programming that falls outside the UN agency system.
- In November 2020, Edesia virtually celebrated 10 years of nourishing the world and raised even more funds to expand the mission to end malnutrition worldwide.

### Breakdown of Shipments



### Funding Sources



# Two Case studies, Sudan



## Dana, aged 4 years

In July of 2020, Amira, a 40-year-old mother brought her four-year-old son Dana to see Dr. Tom at the Mother of Mercy Hospital. She had traveled for 48 hours on foot with Dana who was malnourished and unwell. Even though she struggled to feed herself while staying at the hospital so far away from home during the treatment period, she remained patient and made sure that Dana got better. Her son was nourished with packets of Plumpy'Nut made by Edesia. By the time they left he was healthy and smiling again.



## Egbal, aged 18 months

In December of 2020, Egbal and her mother Niema walked for four days to reach the Mother of Mercy Hospital in the Nuba Mountains of Sudan. Through the support of Edesia's major donors, this remote hospital is continuously and reliably supplied with the life-saving foods that treat acute malnutrition for children and often adults who have no other source of nutrition while overcoming illness or surgical procedures.

This was not Niema's first time at the hospital; she had come two years before with another child who was also malnourished (before Egbal was born). When Egbal became ill, Niema recognized that her best hope was to get her to see Dr. Tom, the American doctor who runs the hospital, administers treatments, and performs surgeries.

Because of the long distance between her home and the hospital, Niema had to stay with Egbal as he recovered and hope that her children back home would not suffer too much. She said that the hospital's treatment program was excellent and that it a place where children recover well.

When asked about her hopes for Egbal, she said: "My hopes for my child is that she will have good health, grow well and go to school."