

**Subject:** Farmers Strive to End Hunger in America

**Summary:** Farmers are helping to end hunger in America through a program called Harvest for All, but they also need help from Congress in taking final action on the CARE bill, a bill that would make it easier for farmers and small businesses to handle and donate food products.

**Suggested Lead:** Farmers across the nation are donating food, funds and people power to help create a hunger-free America. They also are supporting a bill in Congress that would encourage more donations. Stewart Truelsen reports from a feeding center in Rapid City, South Dakota.

**TRT:** 1:40

**Suggested Supers:**

Jeff Gatzke  
American Farm Bureau Young Farmers & Ranchers  
@ :15

Bob Forney, CEO  
America's Second Harvest  
@ :25

Pat Wolff  
American Farm Bureau Federation  
@ :54

Stewart Truelsen  
Reporting  
@: 1:26

**Anchor Tag:** The CARE bill or Charity Aid, Recovery and Empowerment Act of 2003 passed both houses of Congress and is awaiting conference action. Supporters say this bill would especially increase donations of fresh foods.

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**Stewart Truelsen Reporting**  
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<p>Jeff Gatzke in his South Dakota cattle feedlot/  Serving line at Cornerstone Mission in Rapid City, S.D./  People being served/</p>	<p>VO/    PRODUCING FOOD ON THE FARM ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH FOR THESE YOUNG FARMERS AND RANCHERS. THEY WANT TO BE SURE ALL AMERICANS ARE GETTING ENOUGH TO EAT.</p>
<p>Jeff at Mission news conference/    <b>Jeff Gatzke</b>  <b>American Farm Bureau Young Farmers &amp; Ranchers Committee</b></p>	<p>SOT/    ACROSS THE NATION ALL FARM BUREAU MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO DONATE FOOD, TIME OR MONEY TO AMERICA'S SECOND HARVEST TO HELP THOSE LESS FORTUNATE THAT DON'T HAVE FOOD ON THEIR TABLES TO FEED THEIR FAMILY.</p>
<p><b>Bob Forney, CEO</b>  <b>America's Second Harvest</b>    Young farmers grilling lamb chops and peeling potatoes</p>	<p>SOT/    THIS PARTNERSHIP THAT WE'VE CREATED WITH THE FARM BUREAU IS CRITICAL NOT ONLY FOR THE VALUE OF THAT FOOD AND THE VALUE OF THE DONATIONS AND THE VALUE OF THE VOLUNTEERS, BUT THE SYMBOLISM AND THE ABILITY OF THAT GROUP TO SAY YOU'RE DOGGONE RIGHT THERE'S POVERTY IN AMERICA AND THERE'S POVERTY IN RURAL AMERICA AND WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.</p>
<p>Taking chicken out of oven/  Serving line/</p>	<p>VO/    THE JOB OF FEEDING THE HUNGRY COULD BE MADE EASIER IF CONGRESS FINISHES ACTION ON THE CARE BILL.</p>

<p><b>Pat Wolff</b> <b>American Farm Bureau Federation</b></p> <p>Mother feeding kids/ Cafeteria/ Mission front/</p>	<p>SOT/</p> <p>WHAT THE CARE BILL DOES IS THAT IT PROVIDES A TAX INCENTIVE, A TAX DEDUCTION FOR FARMERS WHO WILL HARVEST THAT EXTRA PRODUCT AND SEE THAT IT GETS TO THE PEOPLE IN NEED, SEE THAT IT GETS TO THE SOUP KITCHEN, SEE THAT IT GETS TO THAT FEEDING CENTER.</p>
<p>Sound bite Bob Forney</p> <p>Food line/ Poor people/</p>	<p>SOT/</p> <p>THE WONDERFULNESS OF THIS BILL IS THE ONLY WAY IT HAS ANY NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE FEDERAL BUDGET OR THE DEFICIT IS IN FACT IF SOMEBODY ACTUALLY DONATES FOOD, WHICH THEN CAN ONLY BE GIVEN TO POOR PEOPLE. I THINK THAT'S THE RIGHT KIND OF TAX DEDUCTIONS.</p>
<p>Sorting food at food bank in Rapid City/</p>	<p>VO/</p> <p>FARM BUREAU'S COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM TO FEED THE HUNGRY IS CALLED HARVEST FOR ALL. PARTNERS INCLUDE AMERICA'S SECOND HARVEST, ITS NETWORK OF FOOD BANKS, AND SYNGENTA. IN RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA, I'M STEWART TRUELSEN.</p>