



## Common Ground™

Highlights from Mosaic in Florida

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To support the local chapters of the American Red Cross and disaster preparedness in our area, Mosaic presented a \$100,000 grant on August 5 to bolster the Red Cross "Prepare Florida" campaign. To learn more, click [here](#).

## Mosaic's Second Annual Florida Hunger-Relief Forum Addresses Local Hunger Challenges

Last week, Mosaic hosted its second annual Florida Hunger-Relief Forum in Bradenton. The forum brought together a host of private, public and not-for-profit agencies and organizations to discuss solutions to combat the devastating impacts of food insecurity in Florida. During the event, keynote speaker Adam Putnam, Florida's Commissioner of Agriculture, unveiled "Florida's Roadmap to Living Healthy" program. The new web-based GIS tool is the first statewide map that correlates lack of nutritious food access with poor health indicators. It was designed to help identify high-risk communities in Florida and allow for a targeted approach to intervention and a way to measure success.

The event brought about an immersive and interactive dialogue with local, state and national policymakers who are driving advocacy and action on hunger and nutrition issues. Most importantly, the forum, which included FFA and 4-H students from Manatee, DeSoto and Hardee counties involved in the food packing event, created opportunities for attendees to learn from one another and focus collective efforts to help meet Florida's need for food access.

To learn more about this event, [click here](#).



Florida Commissioner of Agriculture **Adam Putnam** and area FFA and 4-H students led a food packing event at the Hunger-Relief Forum.

## 10 Years and Growing

The world's leading crop nutrition company turns 10 this year. While the company's place in the state's century-old phosphate mining history goes back much further, Mosaic's vision for continued operations and contributions to the state shows great promise for a bright future.

The company has flourished thanks to the combined strengths of its founding companies, Cargill, Inc.'s crop nutrition business and IMC Global Inc., and its acquisition of CF Industries' phosphates business earlier this year.

Recognized as an innovator in its field, Mosaic is the world's leading producer and marketer of concentrated phosphate and potash. We look forward to continuing to keep our promises to be good environmental and community stewards from mine to market for decades to come as we fulfill our mission to help the world grow the food it needs.

**Be sure to check out the November issue of Florida Trend for a section highlighting Mosaic's decade-long efforts to help put food on the table for our growing world.**

## Fostering the Future of Phosphate

Over the next five years, Mosaic anticipates 700 Florida-based employees will retire. One of the ways that Mosaic is working to help manage the transition and train the workforce of tomorrow is a recent partnership with Florida Polytechnic University.

Read more about the program from the Lakeland Ledger [here](#).



**Bo Davis**, Sr. Vice President, Phosphate Operations, and Florida Polytechnic President Dr. Randy K. Avent signed a partnership agreement at a ceremony on August 1, 2014 at the university's Florida Industrial and Phosphate Research Institute in Bartow.

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