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Tjada D'Oyen McKenna is the Deputy Coordinator for Development for Feed the Future, the U.S. Government's global hunger and food security initiative, as well as the Acting Assistant to the Administrator in the U.S. Agency for International Development's (USAID) Bureau for Food Security. McKenna coordinates implementation of Feed the Future across the U.S. Government, oversees its execution and reports on results, and leads engagement with the external community to ensure that food security remains high on the development agenda. In her capacity as Acting Assistant to the Administrator, she also oversees USAID's technical and regional expertise focused on improving food security to sustainably reduce hunger, poverty and undernutrition.

Feed the Future is the U.S. Government's global hunger and food security initiative. With a focus on smallholder farmers, particularly women, Feed the Future supports partner countries in developing their agriculture sectors to spur economic growth and trade that increase incomes and reduces hunger, poverty, and undernutrition.

Ms. McKenna joined USAID in 2010. She previously held senior positions at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Monsanto, McKinsey & Company, American Express and GE. Tjada earned a BA from Harvard College in Government and an MBA from the Harvard Business School. She is a past member of the National Board of the Girl Scouts of the USA.