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WFP’S WORK IN
MIDDLE EAST, NORTH AFRICA, CENTRAL ASIA AND EASTERN EUROPE

- Present in 17 countries
  - Emergency | Transitional | Development

- 31 million women, men, girls, boys
  - Targeted in 2019

- USD 5.5 billion requirements in 2019
  - 45% of corporate requirements

- Rapid change
  - A constant challenge

- Major shifts
  - During second half of 2019
WFP has been able to respond quickly and at scale in northeast Syria as thousands of people were displaced.
Youssef's family fled to Jordan when he was only 5. They returned to his hometown in Syria 4 months ago. WFP is distributing food to support families who are coming back to Syria.
Sudan is home to 8.5 million people needing humanitarian assistance - almost two-thirds of them at either the ‘crisis’ or ‘emergency’ levels of food insecurity.
Reaching 12 million people this year, WFP is prioritizing assistance in areas with the highest levels of food insecurity, people living in conflict-affected areas, marginalized communities and vulnerable IDPs.
The food security needs of the non-refugee population should not be ignored: 45% of those assessed to be food-insecure are non-refugees, representing 700,000 people.
WFP’s operation in Libya is active on several fronts supporting vulnerable Libyans as well as migrants outside of detention centers.

WFP provides core common services for the humanitarian and donor communities, including the humanitarian air service.
SOCIAL SAFETY NETS
The potential of cash-based interventions to promote Gender equality and women’s empowerment.
Across the region, WFP is embracing innovation – high tech or low tech – throughout all its work, developing tools and ideas together with the global community.
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