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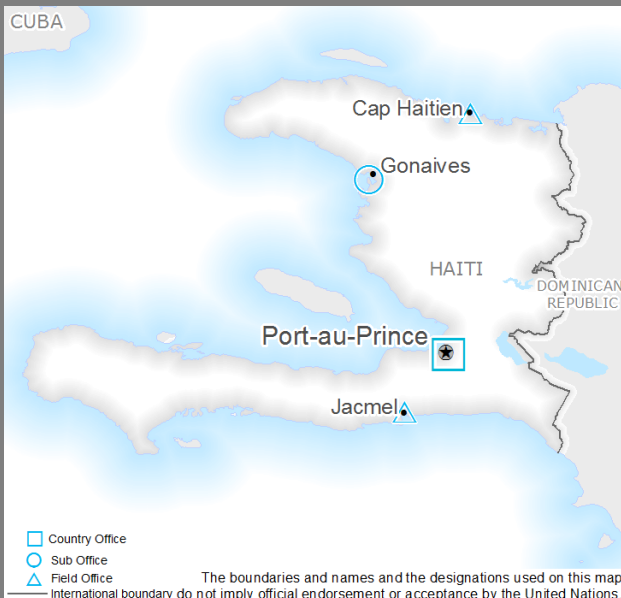
SAVING LIVES
CHANGING LIVES



Operational Context

Haiti ranks 168th of the 189 countries on the 2017 Human Development Index. Haiti has one of the highest levels of chronic food insecurity in the world, more than half of its total population is chronically food insecure, and 22 percent of children are chronically malnourished. Underlying drivers of this situation include extreme poverty and frequent natural disasters. On the 2017 Climate Risk Index, Haiti is third among the countries most affected by extreme weather events.

WFP has been working in Haiti since 1969. WFP's first priority is to support the Haitian Government in developing sustainable solutions to hunger and malnutrition with the goal to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2 "Zero Hunger".



Population: **11 million**

2017 Human Development Index: **168 out of 189**

Food Imports: **over 50% of national requirements**

2015 Maplecroft Index: **6th most vulnerable country to climate change**

In Numbers

32,980 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$ 85.12 total requirements

255,031 people assisted

In October 2018



Operational Updates

School Meals

- In October, WFP organized a training for its partners, Organisation des Femmes pour le Développement de l'Artibonite – Dubedou (OFDAD) and Bureau Nutrition et Développement (BND) on local purchases and distribution processes. This training took place in the framework of the Home-Grown School Feeding Programme in Artibonite.
- WFP's partner for literacy activities, Catholic Relief Services (CRS), finalized the distribution of reading materials.

Nutrition

- WFP is implementing a project funded by the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) in the Grand'Anse department. This project aims to increase access to nutritious food for 1,700 food-insecure households with children aged 6-59 months who were screened and treated for moderate or severe acute malnutrition. In October, WFP's team organized a training for its implementing partner AVSI in preparation of behavioural change communication activities.

Social Protection

- For the PROCSIMAST project, WFP collaborates with the National Coordination for Food Security (CNSA) to carry out surveys in Anse Rouge and Terre Neuve (Haut Artibonite department) of 6,400 households.
- In the framework of the Kore Lavi project, the progress in the level of institutionalization was assessed in 4 departments. A significant progress was observed in the departmental directions of the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour (MAST).

Food Assistance for Assets

- In October, WFP and its partner AMURT will start Cash for Assets activities in Artibonite supporting 5,400 participants until June 2019. Activities will focus on watershed protection, reforestation, irrigation systems and salt production.

WFP Country Strategy

Transitional Interim Country Strategic Plan (January 2018- June 2019)

Total Requirement (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
85.1 m	68.7 m	-34.1 m

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Households in affected areas have access to sufficient and adequate food to meet their basic food needs after a shock
Focus area: Crisis Response

- Activities:**
- Provide unconditional food assistance to families affected by shocks

Strategic Outcome 2: Nutritionally vulnerable households in areas with a high prevalence of chronic food insecurity have access to nutritious food during the lean season.
Focus area: Resilience building

- Activities:**
- Provide nutritious-sensitive, targeted seasonal food assistance

Strategic Outcome 3: Pre-primary and primary school-aged children have adequate access to nutritious food all year long
Focus area: Root Causes

- Activities:**
- Provide daily nutritious school meals
 - Support policy implementation for school feeding

Strategic Result 3: Smallholders have improved food security and nutrition through improved productivity and incomes

Strategic Outcome 4: Food insecure vulnerable smallholders have more resilient livelihoods to meet their food security and nutritious needs
Focus area: Resilience building

- Activities:**
- Provide support to smallholder farmers to sell agricultural products
 - Food Assistance for Assets

Strategic Result 5: Countries have strengthened capacities to implement the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 5: Governmental institutions and other organizations have enhanced capacities to address food insecurity and malnutrition by 2030
Focus area: Root Causes

- Activities:**
- Provide assistance to the national social protection safety net programme
 - Provide technical assistance in Emergency Preparedness and Response and assessments

Cash-Based Transfers

- The Cash-Based Transfer Working Group (CBTWG) led by WFP, has been actively involved in the preparation of the Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) and the Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP), and ensured that cash transfer related information and the potential upscale of multipurpose cash assistance is fully reflected in the 2019 HRP. To do so, through the CBTWG, WFP is consolidating information from the various sectors on the feasibility and appropriateness of using cash transfers.
- As part of a food assistance project funded by ECHO, the World Food Programme, in partnership with the NGO AMURT, is currently distributing a second round of unrestricted and unconditional cash transfer to 21,000 people. While the main objective of this response is to ensure food and nutrition security, the unrestricted nature of cash transfers will allow families to satisfy other pressing essential needs such as water, sanitation, clothing, or shelter.

Monitoring

- In October, M&E activities focussed on the school meals programme and the beginning of school year. Together with the School Meals team, the M&E unit trained internal and external M&E staff on the newly designed questionnaires and the initial study on school structures. This study will serve to get a more comprehensive picture of the school infrastructure and can be used to advocate for support for its improvement.
- WFP's hotline allows for the provision of feedback and aims to strengthen WFP's monitoring system. In October, WFP received 62 calls. The majority of calls were related to School Feeding Activities with concerns about the food delivery.

Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping

- WFP co-facilitated and participated at the partial Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) workshop (8 livelihoods zones were analysed). The partial IPC results served as the basis for the elaboration of the food security sector needs for the Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) and Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP).

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