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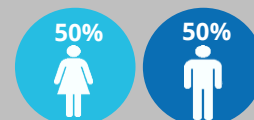
SAVING LIVES
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WFP Libya Country Brief July 2019

In Numbers

93,415 people assisted
in July 2019



3,797 mt of food assistance distributed so far in 2019

US\$ 8.4 m six months (August - January 2019) net funding requirements

Operational Context

Efforts to reach a peaceful conclusion to the conflict in Libya continue amidst persisting political instability and a volatile security situation. Unrest since 2011 has caused the economic and humanitarian situation in the country to deteriorate significantly. Ongoing violence between multiple factions further aggravates an unstable environment, with ongoing political rivalries and violent struggles within the country.

WFP resumed operations in Libya in September 2014. WFP's General Food Assistance (GFA) is comprised of in-kind food assistance provision. Each family receives two food parcels, enough to support five people for one month. The parcels consist of rice, pasta, wheat flour, white beans, vegetable oil, sugar and tomato paste. WFP is increasingly engaging across the humanitarian-development-peace nexus to support the review and rehabilitation of pre-crisis social protection systems. This will be crucial in a post-conflict scenario to ensure social cohesion.

WFP co-leads the Food Security Sector in Libya, as well as leading the Logistics Sector, the Emergency Telecommunications Sector, and managing the UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) and the UN Hub in Benghazi.



Population: 6.6 million Libyans + 0.67m migrants/refugees

Operational Updates

- In July, WFP reached some 93,415 people in need through its general food assistance (GFA) in Libya.
- Vulnerability analysis mapping (VAM) continues to collect data on the general population, including migrants, and monitors overall market trends. Information gathered through monitoring and evaluation is compiled in a database, analysed, and shared with relevant actors. The [WFP Migration Pulse](#) "Understanding the needs and food security situation of migrants in Libya" was published in July and presented the findings of the second round of data collection using innovative web surveys among migrants and refugees from 36 different countries.
- Under its Interim Country Strategic Plan 2019-2020, WFP and its local partner launched resilience and community-building projects in Libya. These initially target 39 women from local communities whose lives have been affected by the ongoing crisis, with the aim to provide skills training in line with local businesses' needs, as well as participants' interests. Candidates were identified together with the local Ministry of Social Affairs, local women's NGOs and community leaders. The first classes focused on dessert-making and sewing, while the upcoming one is a stylist course. Business management is a key component of every course, including assessing market feasibility for products, overhead costs, and marketing. All participants will receive food assistance upon attendance, and WFP's support in job search.
- WFP Libya worked on the organization of a Training of Trainers (ToT) for Libyan government officials to be held on 22-25 August, with the plan to train 66 Ministry of Education officials (MoE) on Education,

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Photo Caption: WFP staff and partners in Benghazi, eastern Libya, distribute food parcels funded by the Government of Japan.
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Interim Country Strategic Plan (2019-2020)

Total Requirements (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)
64.4 m	17.4 m
2019 Requirements (in USD)	Six-Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD) (August 2019 – January 2020)
32.2 m	8.4 m

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Crisis-affected vulnerable populations in Libya, including schoolchildren, have access to sufficient and nutritious food during and in the aftermath of crises

Focus area: Crisis Response

Activities:

- Provide assistance to food-insecure and vulnerable people in Libya, including schoolchildren, and pilot complementary interventions that improve food security and nutrition

Strategic Outcome 2: Vulnerable populations across Libya have strengthened livelihoods and restored access to basic services all year.

Focus area: Resilience Building

Activities:

- Provide skills strengthening to vulnerable communities and enhance national and local safety nets

Strategic Outcome 3: The humanitarian community in Libya has strengthened capacity to assist vulnerable populations during and in the aftermath of crises.

Focus area: Crisis Response

Activities:

- Provide logistics sector services to humanitarian partners in Libya
- Provide air services for personnel and light cargo (United Nations Humanitarian Air Service - UNHAS)
- Provide common ICT to humanitarian partners in Libya

Nutrition, as well as gender equality and child protection. Trained officials will then train additional 4,000 staff involved in the National School Feeding Programme in Libya. To ensure a successful roll-out of the ToT, the Regional Bureau in Cairo facilitated the South-South cooperation between Egypt and Libya. Together with the Egypt MoE, WFP Egypt helped develop the nutrition and education materials for the training, that was then delivered by the Egypt MoE itself.

Monitoring

- WFP monitors its activities through a Libyan third-party monitor, in July, WFP and (TPM) partner conducted 61 on-site monitoring (OSM) in 14 distribution points across West and South regions of the country and monitored 2 General Food Assistance distribution points.
- Currently, WFP through its implementing partner conducting a baseline study for livelihood activities. WFP

and its cooperating partners have conducted quick needs assessments on non-beneficiaries in Benghazi and Sabha who had called WFP hotline about registration in June 2019. The number of calls received at WFP Hotline has increased from 270 in June to 580 in July. Over 75 percent of the calls were coming from Sebha governorate in the South of Libya where the most critical and severe needs are located as per Humanitarian Needs Overview 2019. As a result, hotline agents registered over 450 household information in July.

Core Common Services

- The Emergency Telecommunications Sector (ETS) has launched the Common Feedback Mechanism (CFM), a common hotline and information package for conflict-affected populations in July.
- The UN Hub in Benghazi is fully operating. The Hub enables all UN agencies to operate in the East of the country.
- The Logistics Sector continues to provide Sector-wide updates on relevant issues in Libya as they unfold.
- UNHAS is a critical service which continues to connect the country, ensuring safe, reliable air access for the humanitarian and development community in Libya.

The Way Forward

- The operation is committed not just to the current emergency response but also to continuing the initiatives and commitments planned in its recently approved Interim Country Strategic Plan 2019-2020 (ICSP), which works across the humanitarian-development-peace nexus to support the review and rehabilitation of pre-crisis social protection systems. The ICSP helps WFP and its partners to work with the Libyan people to achieve zero hunger by 2030, in line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Interventions include school feeding; cash-based transfers linked to social safety net programmes and government-led subsidy programmes; and food-for-training for resilience-building and the empowerment of youth and women.

Donors

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