Delivering in emergencies.

TRANSPORTATION SUPPORT

As one of the Philippine Government’s key partners in emergencies, WFP was among the first to respond following the onset of Typhoon Odette. Within 24 hours after making landfall nine times between December 16 and 17, WFP had jumpstarted its support to the Government, through the Office of Civil Defense (OCD), by transporting the Department of Social Welfare and Development’s (DSWD) family food packs.

During the first week of the aftermath, WFP has transported nearly 100,000 family food packs from DSWD to seven locations across four regions: Western Visayas (Kabankalan City and Iloilo City), Central Visayas (Dumaguete City, Cebu City, Bohol), Caraga (Surigao City), and Central Luzon (Clark). Thanks to a regular annual funding support from USAID, which served as contingent fund for emergencies, WFP was able to quickly respond to government requests.

Two months since Odette left a swath of destruction that affected more than 11 million people in 11 regions, WFP has so far mobilized 501 trucks and transported more than half a million family food packs from DSWD’s packing facilities (National Resource Operations Centre in Metro Manila and Visayas Disaster Response Centre in Cebu).

The relief items have been delivered to various destinations affected by the typhoon, including the provinces of Bohol, Cebu, Iloilo, Negros Occidental, Negros Oriental, Dinagat Islands, Surigao del Norte (Surigao City and Siargao...
As an archipelago, transporting food and other necessities to affected islands in an expedited manner has been one of the challenges faced by the Government. WFP, as the logistics cluster lead, has been bridging the gaps and complementing and augmenting existing efforts since the day Typhoon Odette struck the Philippines—from providing means of transportation to ensure emergency aid reaches those in need, to storage and warehousing support to efficiently facilitate relief efforts from all ends of the supply chain.

Islands), and Agusan del Norte (Butuan City). Through a collaboration with the Philippine Disaster and Relief Foundation, relief items were also transported via barge from Butuan City to Palawan.

WFP’s sustained transportation support is made possible through contributions from the governments of United States of America (USAID), Australia (Australian Aid), Japan, and Ireland, and the UN Central Emergency Response Fund.

These deliveries were carried out through WFP’s wide network of trusted transporters. Throughout its operations, WFP ensures logistics coordination and information management between the national and local government, non-government organizations, and other partners involved in the supply chain process at every stage of transportation.

STORAGE AND WAREHOUSING SUPPORT

When the Government had set up an emergency logistics base in Surigao City immediately after the typhoon hit, WFP has made available two mobile storage units (MSU) and one generator to support their storage and warehousing capacity.

With the help of its donors, WFP procured 12 additional MSUs from the United Nations Humanitarian Response Hub Depot in Kuala Lumpur. From January 10 to 12, via three airlifts courtesy of WFP’s trusted partner, United Parcel Service (UPS), the MSUs arrived from Subang, Malaysia to Davao City in Mindanao.

Through the support and generosity of the governments of Australia, Japan, and United States, WFP has established three emergency logistics hubs in Surigao City, Siargao Island, and Dinagat Islands. Each hub is comprised of one MSU, one generator, and one prefabricated office. The generators and prefabricated offices were pre-existing equipment prepositioned at WFP’s warehouse in Polloc in Maguindanao, hence were readily available to support operations in response to government requests.

These hubs are currently managed by the Government and are supporting storage, consolidation, and onward transport of various

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relief items. WFP maintains a contingency stock of MSUs and other equipment on standby in case of further requests for storage support.

LOCAL PROCUREMENT FOR FOOD ASSISTANCE

In addition to delivering food and non-food items for the Government, WFP has begun implementation of its own food distributions in early February using a contribution from USAID and the Government of Japan. WFP has procured locally-grown rice which enabled cost-efficiency and proximity to delivery areas. **WFP has procured and delivered 1,155 metric tonnes of rice to Caraga for food distributions in Dinagat Islands and Siargao Island.**

CAPACITY STRENGTHENING WITH THE GOVERNMENT

Over the last few years WFP has been investing in building the logistics capacity of the OCD, DSWD, and local government unit staff to prepare for and respond to disaster events. The skills transferred have had an impact on how the Government has organized their response to Typhoon Odette. More systematic planning has been observed which has resulted in smoother and more efficient operational response.

WFP will continue to work side by side with our Government counterparts moving towards a level of self-sufficiency. WFP is also working with implementing partners to build the capacity of their staff to enhance skills on food handling and logistics planning.

**FUNDING REQUIREMENT**

Of the total **US$ 35.6 million** overall requirement of WFP for its multi-sectoral Typhoon Odette Response Plan, **US$ 5 million** is dedicated to logistics operation.

WFP needs an **additional US$ 1.6 million** to ensure sustained provision of transportation and storage support to the Government until June 2022.

**WHAT’S NEXT?**

As humanitarian responders both from the government and non-government organizations carry on with multi-sectoral interventions in the affected areas, WFP continues to receive daily requests for logistics support. Over the next two weeks (March 2022) WFP plans to provide an additional 85 trucks to move various relief items in support of the Government. Its anticipated that requests will continue in the foreseeable future.

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TYPHOON ODETTE LOGISTICS OPERATIONS
Transportation Support to the Government

- **CLARK AIRPORT, PAMPANGA**
  - 21 trucks; 3 MSU
  - 10,200 DSWD Family Food Packs, 3,050 bags of sakoline, various non-food relief items (tarpaulin, family kits, hygiene kits, face masks, clothes)

- **NAVOTAS, METRO MANILA**
  - 2 trucks
  - 480 DSWD Family Food Packs

- **ILOILO**
  - 15 trucks
  - 20,400 DSWD Family Food Packs, 1,000 family kits, 1,000 sleeping kits, 768 hygiene kits, 1,000 kitchen kits

- **PALAWAN**
  - 15 trucks
  - 10,000 DSWD Family Food Packs, 1,040 family kits, 1,040 sleeping kits, 1,899 hygiene kits, 1,000 kitchen kits, and various non-food items

- **NEGROS OCCIDENTAL**
  - 42 trucks
  - 46,900 DSWD Family Food Packs and various non-food items

- **NEGROS ORIENTAL**
  - 33 trucks
  - 49,600 DSWD Family Food Packs and various non-food items

- **BOHOL**
  - 103 trucks
  - 164,800 DSWD Family Food Packs, 500 tents, and various non-food items

- **CEBU**
  - 100 trucks; 1 MSU
  - 110,800 DSWD Family Food Packs, 1,300 rolls of laminated sacks, 98,400 sardine cans, 150,000 corned beef cans, 125,000 coffee sachets, 125,000 cereal sachets, 250 rolls of packing tape, 25,000 regular slotted cartons, and various non-food relief items

- **SOUTHERN LEYTE**
  - 46 trucks
  - 45,600 DSWD Family Food Packs, 900 rolls of laminated sacks, 610 family kits, 520 sleeping kits, 917 hygiene kits, 1,000 corrugated GI sheets, 1 box of hammers, 6 boxes of umbrella nails, 200 pcs wood saw, 3 boxes of chainsaws

- **DINAGAT ISLANDS**
  - 2 trucks; 1 MSU/prefab office; 1 generator set

- **SIARGAO ISLAND**
  - 12 trucks; 1 MSU/prefab office; 1 generator set
  - 5,100 DSWD Family Food Packs, 400 rolls of laminated sacks, 3,808 hygiene kits, 3,150 kitchen kits, 1,122 sleeping kits, 1,040 family kits

- **SURIGAO CITY**
  - 88 trucks; 4 MSUs; 1 generator set
  - 69,100 DSWD Family Food Packs, 1,800 rolls of laminated sacks, 2,254 family kits, 1,138 sleeping kits, 400 boxes of sardines, 791 boxes of corned beef, and various non-food relief items

- **BUTUAN CITY**
  - 22 trucks
  - 5,100 Family Food Packs, blue slim containers with water

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501 TRUCKS
552,500 DSWD FAMILY FOOD PACKS DELIVERED
7 MSU'S WITH 2 PREFAB OFFICES
3 GENERATOR SETS

Source: WFP Philippines (data as of 18 February 2022)