

SAVING LIVES CHANGING LIVES



## **In Numbers**





54,351 people assisted in October 2025.

**558 mt** of food distributed.

**USD 69,302** in cash-based transfers distributed.

**USD 3.4 million** Six-month funding requirements from November 2025 to April 2026.

# **Operational Context**

To contribute to alleviating acute food security among refugees and crisis affected population and promote recovery and stability, WFP Libya's country strategic plan (CSP, 2023-2025) directly addresses the needs of the most vulnerable households and communities through targeted emergency food assistance, while working with the Government to strengthen national systems. The CSP aligns with the Libya United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF, 2023-2025) and aims to contribute to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals 2, 4, 5 and 17 through four-CSP outcomes.

As the conflict in Sudan continues, WFP has aligned its focus with the regional emergency response to the Sudanese refugee crisis. The sustained refugee inflows into Libya is placing pressure on local systems. By October2025, UNHCR estimated over 400,000 refugees from Sudan have arrived in Libya, with the majority arriving through Al Kufra, near the Sudanese border. Refugees are hosted within Libyan communities, straining Libya's already limited health, education, and shelter services and impacting vulnerable host community. As of October 2025, food prices in Al Kufra region, bordering Sudan, have been identified as 19 percent above the national average.

Although Libya is classified as an upper-middle-income country, its resources are not being managed properly due to conflict, and most of its budget is spent on subsidies and importing fuel.



Unemployment: 20.6 percent

Population : **6.9 million** (**859k** migrants +334**k** refugees)

## **Operational Updates**

## **Sudanese Refugee Emergency Response**

- As of the end of October, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (<u>UNHCR</u>) estimated that 412,000 Sudanese refugees had arrived in Libya since the conflict began in April 2023. Urgent needs include water, food, shelter, health, and core relief items.
- Sudanese refugees continue to enter Libya, mainly from the Darfur region, despite the recent security challenges in Tripoli. <u>UNHCR</u>'s updated projection for 2025 estimates that there will be **550,000 Sudanese refugees** in Libya by the end of the year, higher than initially anticipated, with the average daily influx increasing from 100-150 persons.
- In line with the **Libya Sudanese Refugee Response Plan** (RRP) for 2025, and thanks to newly received funds from donors, WFP resumed its support for Sudanese refugees in Libya in October as follows:
  - Distribution of 541 mt of in-kind food assistance to 47,775 individual Sudanese refugees and vulnerable Libyan host communities across 20 locations in Libya.
  - Provided nutritional assistance to 4,483 children aged between 6-59 months and 2,739 pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls (PBWGs) with a total of 17.2 mt of lipid-based nutrient supplements (LNS).
  - A cash-based transfers (CBTs) distribution for October was completed disbursing USD 69,302 to 6576 vulnerable Libyan refugee-hosting communities in Benghazi, Sebha, and Azzawya.
- Funding shortfalls prompted WFP Libya to suspend its monthly assistance to more than approximately 50,000 Sudanese refugees from August to September. However, thanks to new contributions from Italy and the United States, WFP was able to resume its support in October, and aims to increase its assistance to reach up to 75,000 people per month from November 2025 to February 2026.

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**Photo Caption:** In line with the Libya Sudanese Refugee Response Plan (RRP) for 2025, and thanks to newly received funds from donors, WFP continued its support for Sudanese refugees in Libya. © Naim |raid.

### **WFP Country Strategy**



Libya Country Strategic Plan (2023-2025)	
Total Requirements (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)
131 m	44.5 m
2025 Requirements (in USD)	Requirements (in USD) (November 2025- April 2026)
13.5 m*	3.4 m*

\*reflects only the Sudanese refugee assistance, after programme refocus on food assistance to Sudanese refugees, and a budget revision is ongoing.

**CSP Outcome 1:** Crisis-affected vulnerable populations in Libya can meet their basic food and nutrition needs all year round. **Focus area:** *Crisis Response.* 

**Activity 1:** Provide targeted unconditional food assistance to food-insecure people in Libya.

**CSP Outcome 2:** Vulnerable communities in Libya have improved resilience and stability by 2025.

Focus area: Resilience Building.

**Activity 2:** Provide livelihood opportunities and training to targeted vulnerable people and communities in a conflict-sensitive manner. **Activity 3:** Support the Government in its efforts to enhance the national school meals programme through home-grown school feeding and an integrated package of health and nutrition services.

**CSP Outcome 3:** National institutions in Libya have strengthened capacity to reach and support vulnerable populations by 2025.

Focus area: Resilience Building.

**Activity 4:** Provide technical assistance and capacity strengthening to the Government.

**CSP Outcome 4:** Humanitarian and development partners have enhanced ability to support vulnerable populations in Libya in anticipation of, during and in the aftermath of crises.

Focus area: Crisis Response.

**Activity 5:** Provide on-demand services to humanitarian and development partners in Libya.

**Activity 6:** Provide emergency telecommunications and other common services to humanitarian and development actors.

#### **Assessment and Monitoring**

- WFP's Community Feedback Mechanism continues
  to provide direct engagement and support to
  beneficiaries, with 904 calls received in October. Over
  98 percent of the calls received pertained to food
  assistance, of which 77 percent came from Sudanese
  households headed by women.
- In October, WFP third party monitoring visited 23 food distribution sites in 12 cities across the Western and Eastern regions. Primary monitoring findings indicated that all distributions proceeded smoothly, with no issues reported.
- A Food Security Outcome Monitoring (FSOM) survey was conducted in October 2025, analysing food security outcomes among WFP-assisted Libyan host communities and Sudanese refugee households.
- With intermittent food assistance, among WFPassisted Sudanese households in Libya, 32 percent are classified as food insecure, including 16 percent with poor and 21 percent with borderline food consumption scores (FCS), underscoring persistent

- high vulnerability and need for regular and consistent food assistance.
- These households also rely heavily on negative coping strategies, with 25 percent adopting emergency measures, 27 percent to crisis-level responses, and 41 percent to stress-coping mechanisms.
- WFP-assisted Libyan households also face significant strain, with 34 percent classified as food insecure, though they show relatively better outcomes across other food security indicators.
- Overall, the situation remains concerning, as these figures reflect conditions among populations already receiving humanitarian assistance.

# UN in Libya marks 80 years of the UN with a public photography exhibition in Tripoli



To commemorate 80 years of the United Nations (UN), WFP joined sister United Nations agencies in Libya to hold a photography exhibition entitled "Building Our Future Together" at the Eskandar Arts House in Tripoli. The event took place on the official UN Day, 24 October, showcasing photographs of UN operations in the country over the years.

The opening ceremony was attended by Libyan ministers and officials, ambassadors, members of the public and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG). This was followed by a roundtable discussion led by UN representatives and attended by young people, women and people with disabilities from across the country.

#### **Donors**

Denmark, Ericsson, Germany, Iceland, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, Italy, Japan Association for the World Food Programme, Sweden, Switzerland, United Nations Peacebuilding Fund, United, Nations Trust Fund for Human Security, United States Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (US-BHA), and WFP Multilateral Donors.

**Photo Caption:** UN in Libya marks 80 years of the UN with a public photography exhibition in downtown Tripoli.

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