



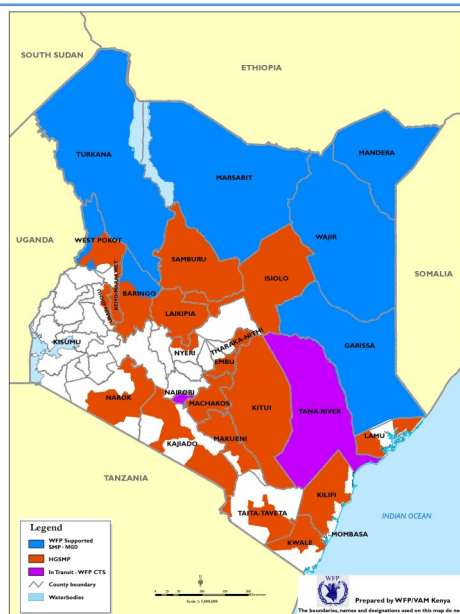
World Food Programme McGovern-Dole Food for Education Program

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In Numbers

USDA McGovern-Dole (MGD) Award (2013-Present)

- \$20 million over 3 years
- Daily hot lunch: Bulgur, yellow split peas and fortified vegetable oil provided to all MGD schools
- Cumulatively reached over 1,000,000 school children in 10 counties, over 46% of which are girls
- 900,000 school children have been responsibly transitioned from 16 semi-arid and 2 arid counties to the government's Home Grown School Meals Program (HGSMP) since 2009



Kenya

Country Need

- Ranks 145 out of 188 on the 2015 UNDP Human Development Index.
- As of 2014, it is estimated that 42% live below poverty according to the World Bank's 2014 Country Partnership Strategy.
- Poverty, food insecurity, and malnutrition are particularly severe in the arid and semi-arid lands (ASALs).
- Large number of Kenyans from ASALs in food security "crisis" according to the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification system.
- 2015 Systems Approach for Better Education Results (SABER) index of 13/20 and national Home Grown School Meals Program (HGSMP), a flagship in the region.

WFP-MGD Highlights

- WFP has been providing school meals in Kenya's food insecure regions for 35 years, operating with MGD support since 2004.
- With MGD support, WFP covers nearly half of the total 1.5 million children receiving school meals.
- According to 2015 mid-term evaluation, MGD support has contributed to 7.7% and 9.2% increase in girls and boys enrollment respectively in arid lands.

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Government Handover

- With MGD support, over 900,000 school children have been transitioned to national Home Grown School Meals Program (HGSMP).

Capacity Building

- WFP provided support to finalize the National School Meals and Nutrition Strategy and the HGSMP implementation guidelines.
- 5,700 Home Grown School Meals manuals distributed to Ministry of Education, Science, and Technology (MoEST) officers, improving institutional knowledge and sustainability of HGSMP.
- 440 MoEST officers trained in promoting consistent teacher attendance, increasing the quality of teaching in schools.

"Without the food, we cannot concentrate in class, we will be anxious about what we will eat at night"

Hamisi Bakari, grade 4 ~ Malomani Primary School

Increased Literacy

- Schools receiving MGD support saw increases in average grade level literacy.

Increased Gender Parity

- Mid-term report found that, on average, schools receiving MGD support reached gender parity.

Increased Community Knowledge & Participation

- WFP ran 28 radio spots from 2014 to 2015 to raise awareness of the importance of education, reaching approximately 5 million people nationwide.
- 1,615 PTA groups formed as a result of MGD funds, increasing awareness of the importance of education in communities.

Improved Food Handling and Preparation

- Percentage of MGD schools storing food off the ground increased from 67% to 96% over baseline measures.
- 2,500 teachers trained in better food preparation and storage practices, decreasing spoilage.
- Schools with requisite food preparation and storage equipment increased from 67% to 80%.

