



WFP Philippines

Typhoon Odette - Situation Report #18

5 April 2022

WFP provided cash assistance to 1,319 families in Danao, Bohol. These cash-based transfers empower people with choice to address their essential needs in local markets, while also helping to boost these markets. © WFP/Martin Winkler

In Numbers

219,000 people have been reached by WFP;
136,110 of these received cash or vouchers.

560 trucks have been mobilized by WFP to transport
over **612,000** family food packs from the Government.

Up to 5 simultaneous “shopping days” are currently
being organized in Surigao City, where beneficiaries
redeem their food vouchers.

Highlights

- **There is a high probability of rainfall** exceeding 50 mm from 6 to 12 April, which is likely to **challenge distributions** in Southern Leyte, Bohol, Dinagat and Surigao del Norte provinces.
- WFP is closely monitoring early warning signals of a **possible eruption** of the **Taal Volcano**. Alert Level 3 (Magmatic Unrest) is in place. So far, over 10,000 people (3,068 families) are affected.
- WFP completed **rice distributions** to 13,000 families in Siargao.

Overview – More than 100 days after landfall

On 16 December, Typhoon Odette (international name ‘Rai’) swept through 11 of the country’s 17 regions, leaving a trail of destruction in its wake. The typhoon brought with it torrential rains, violent winds, floods, and storm surges severely affecting close to 12 million people, over 2 million houses were damaged or destroyed leaving over tens of thousands of people displaced. The typhoon wrought havoc on the country while it was reeling from the economic backlash of the COVID-19 pandemic.

WFP assists the most vulnerable people in Surigao del Norte, Dinagat Island, Bohol, and Southern Leyte provinces through a combination of in-kind food (rice), vouchers and cash, with the aim of reaching 380,000 people. Sex, age and disability-disaggregated data is used in research, assessment and monitoring to ensure access for all. WFP’s food distributions started in January in Surigao del Norte, and voucher and cash programmes began in March in Bohol, Southern Leyte, Surigao Del Norte, Siargao Island and Dinagat Island. This will be followed by early recovery activities, ending in June 2022.

WFP’s overall requirement stands at US\$35.6 million, of which US\$18.0 million is funded and \$2.9 million has been pledged. WFP needs an additional US\$14.7 million to ensure full programme implementation over a six-month period.

DID YOU KNOW?

WFP’s food voucher was designed according to the internationally agreed set of principles and minimum standards in humanitarian aid (Sphere Standards). The idea is to **meet the minimum food energy requirements** – which are 2100 kcal per person per day – and to ensure adequate micronutrient intake. Results of the market assessment, including family food patterns, were used as a basis for identifying food items that will comprise the shopping list, from which beneficiaries can select their preferred items.



With the desired outcome to improve dietary diversity, the beneficiaries are provided information that will guide them in making healthy dietary choices. WFP supports 19,000 families with food vouchers in Surigao del Norte.

WFP Response



FOOD/CASH ASSISTANCE

- WFP has reached over 219,000 people with food assistance, including 136,110 people with cash or vouchers. In Siargao, WFP completed rice distributions to 13,000 families.
- WFP advocates for gender integration and inclusion, and provides special arrangements during registration and distributions such as special lanes, safe passages, water, and waiting areas for persons with disabilities, the elderly, women, pregnant and lactating women.
- WFP and UNFPA are strengthening convergence on gender-based violence (GBV) referral pathways at WFP distribution sites in the Caraga region and

Southern Leyte province. Referral pathway sessions are now systematically included in sensitization programmes.

- WFP and partners conducted counselling in Southern Leyte and Siargao on maternal health and the value of breastfeeding as the safest food, including during emergencies. This also included counselling on stunting, adolescent pregnancy, male engagement in nutrition decisions, and avoiding unhealthy snacks and drinks for children.

LOGISTICS SUPPORT

- WFP has now made over 560 trucks available to transport over 612,000 Family Food Packs, along with other cargo, on behalf of the Government.
- WFP is in close collaboration with the Office of Civil Defense (OCD) and the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) to learn more about their future transport needs.
- The two logistics hubs set up by WFP in Siargao and Dinagat islands will be taken down shortly now that they have served their purpose. The Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) will be moved to the WFP Polloc warehouse and prepositioned for future emergencies.



“Half of our home was gone through Typhoon Odette. This makes it very difficult for my husband, myself, and our three children who are 10 years, 7 years and 7 months old. We do not have savings, and I do not have a job, as I take care of our children. My husband is a day labourer doing construction work. It costs a lot to take care of our family. Just to provide diapers, for example, for my youngest is expensive. The food voucher is helping us a lot. It provides us with rice, noodles, vegetables like eggplant, chicken, beef and half a sardine. I hope it will last for two months.”

- Madel (29) holds her youngest child of 7 months as well as the shopping list on which she selected the type and quantity of her choice of food in Surigao City, Surigao del Norte province

EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- WFP continues to support the Government’s Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) in maintaining installations for emergency connectivity across affected areas.
- Internet connectivity has been established in 24 sites across the Caraga region – Surigao City, Dinagat Island, and Siargao Island – as well as in Maasin City in Southern Leyte.
- On average, there are 625 daily users from seven UN agencies, six I/NGOs, government staff, and affected communities.

Resourcing Update

- WFP has received contributions and pledges totalling 59 percent of its overall requirement of US\$35.6 million. It urgently requires \$14.7 million.
- WFP thanks the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the governments of Australia, Brazil, Canada, the European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO), France, Japan, Ireland, the Republic of Korea, the United States of America, the UN Central Emergency Response Fund, and private sector partners for their contributions.

WFP FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

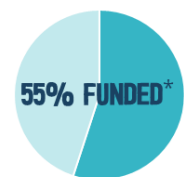
\$35.6 MILLION

51% funded | 8% pledged | 41% unfunded

FOOD & CASH



\$29.6 MILLION

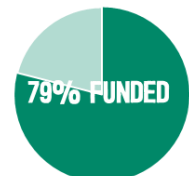


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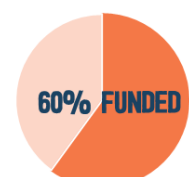
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\$5 MILLION

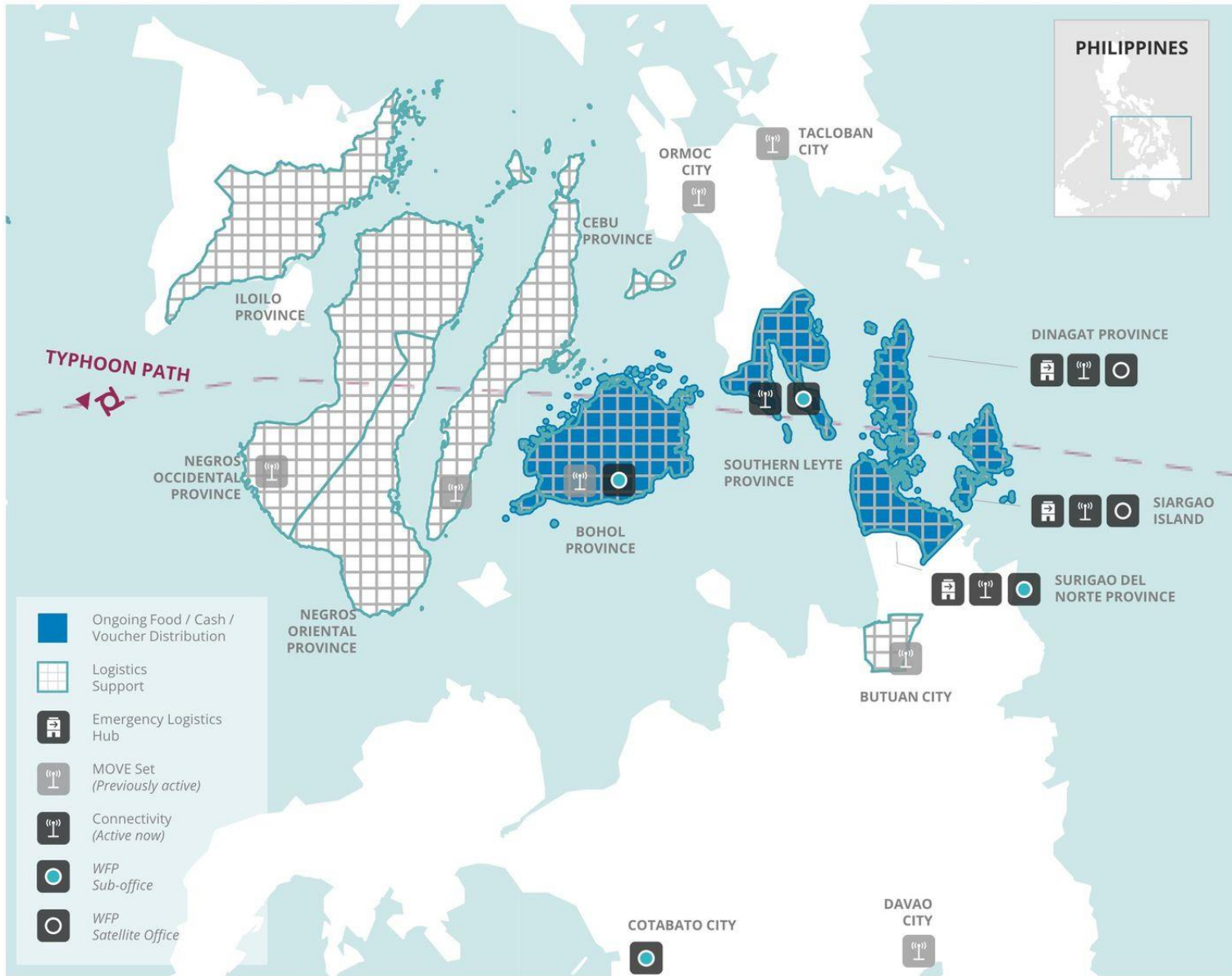


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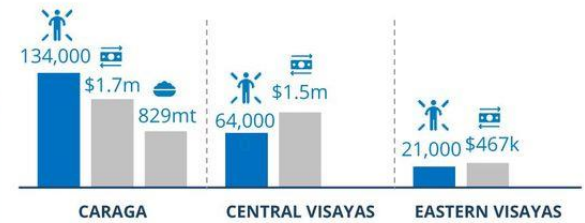
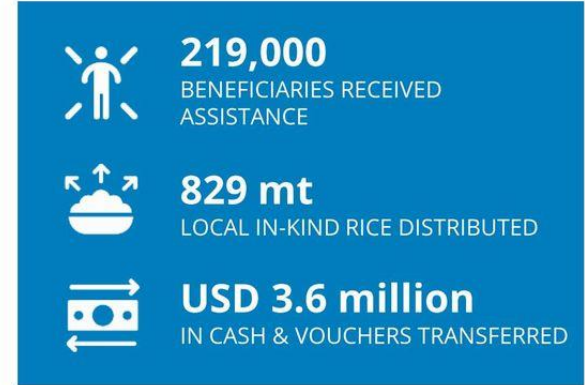


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WFP RESPONSE OVERVIEW, 6 April 2022



FOOD SECURITY



LOGISTICS AND TELECOMMS

