



WFP Philippines

Typhoon Odette - Situation Report #19

19 April 2022

WFP assesses the landslide in the barangay Kantagnos of Baybay, Leyte province, the "ground zero" of Tropical Storm Agaton. Its impact killed 172 individuals and 110 more people are still missing. © WFP/Juanito Sayago

In Numbers

289,000 people have been reached by WFP so far (**142,000** women, **147,000** men), of those received **205,000** cash or vouchers.

562 truckloads were moved by WFP to transport over **625,000** family food packs (FFPs) from the Government in response to Typhoon Odette, and **84** truckloads with **99,900** FFPs in response to Tropical Storm Agaton.

Highlights

- **Tropical Storm Agaton struck in early April, causing heavy** rain and landslides across ten regions. Over 11,000 homes were damaged or destroyed. Distributions were delayed as a result in Bohol, Surigao del Norte and Dinagat Islands. WFP is supporting the government-led response with logistics support and emergency telecommunications.
- WFP completed the planned **rice distributions** to 13,000 families in Siargao and 10,000 families on Dinagat Islands, reaching a total of 115,000 individuals.

Overview – More than 100 days after Typhoon Odette’s 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, damaging or destroying over 2 million houses, and leaving 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. On 9 April 2022, Tropical Storm Agaton (Megi) affected 920,727 people across many of the same areas,¹ causing floods and landslides, particularly in Leyte province.

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 completed food distributions in Siargao and Dinagat Islands, as well as cash distribution in Southern Leyte in April. Voucher and cash programmes are ongoing in Bohol, Surigao Del Norte, including Siargao, and Dinagat Islands. 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\$20.7 million is funded and US\$200,000 has been pledged. WFP needs an additional US\$14.7 million to ensure full programme implementation over a six-month period.

¹ [Situation Report No. 6 for Tropic Storm Agaton, National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council](#)

DID YOU KNOW?

WFP constantly maintains **two strategic warehouses** in the Philippines, one in Luzon and one in Mindanao, where **emergency response equipment** is pre-positioned **ready for emergency deployment**. Equipment includes Mobile Storage Units, pre-fab offices, generators, boats, and emergency telecommunications equipment such as very small aperture terminals (VSAT).

Having equipment readily available **allows for immediate deployment just before** an emergency strikes, or **right after** an emergency event. This quick scale up of logistics and emergency telecommunications operations **helps to meet the needs of affected populations as quickly as possible**.



WFP Response

- Following the landfall of Tropical Storm Agaton, WFP conducted a rapid damage and needs assessment in the Province of Leyte, particularly in Baybay and Abuyog on 13 and 14 April, together with the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA).
- In Baybay, Leyte, an estimated 17,637 individuals (3,672 families) were evacuated and 707 families are currently staying inside evacuation centres.
- In Abuyog, Leyte, 68,182 individuals (18,926 families) are affected in 63 barangays, and 1,504 individuals (447 families) are currently accommodated in 5 evacuation centres.

FOOD/CASH ASSISTANCE

- WFP reached its target and completed rice distribution to 10,000 families on Dinagat Islands. This is in addition to 13,000 families who benefited from rice distributions in Siargao.
- WFP is continuing to provide cash assistance in Bohol and the Caraga region, reaching 29,399 out of 41,050 families so far. Cash contributions in Southern Leyte are completed.
- WFP is also continuing to distribute food vouchers in Surigao del Norte, reaching a total of 11,691 out of a total of 19,000 families who received food vouchers.
- Overall, 289,000 people have been reached by WFP until now (142,000 women, 147,000 men).

LOGISTICS SUPPORT

- WFP has received requests to support the government-led response to Tropical Storm Agaton with the provision of transport. To date, WFP has loaded 84 trucks worth of cargo. Six trucks with 10,000 Family Food Packs (FFP) were dispatched to Davao, while another 33 trucks were dispatched to Palo, Leyte, with 40,000 FFPs, 2,000 sleeping kits and 3,125 kitchen kits. All cargo was loaded at DSWD NROC in Manila; there is a plan to dispatch another 22 trucks.



“WFP has been very active and supportive to the relief operations of the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), especially

during the Typhoon. They have tirelessly provided the much-needed land transportation support for the delivery of essential relief to our disaster-stricken fellow Filipinos.

WFP’s involvement in our logistics operations has greatly contributed to the success of the Council in providing efficient and effective relief, wherever and whenever needed.”

- Jose Angelo A. Mangaoang, Civil Defense Officer
Office of Civil Defense

EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- The Emergency Telecommunications Cluster is active in response to Tropical Storm Agaton through the Global Emergency Communications System – Mobile Operations Vehicle for Emergencies ([GECS-MOVE](#)) of the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) – currently in Baybay City – to support responders with connectivity.
- WFP continues to support 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.

Resourcing Update

- WFP has received contributions and pledges totaling 59 percent of its overall requirement of US\$35.6 million. It still requires US\$14.7 million.
- WFP thanks the Asian Development Bank, 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 generous contributions.

WFP FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

\$35.6 MILLION



FOOD & CASH



\$29.6 MILLION

57% FUNDED*

**combined confirmed and pledged*

LOGISTICS



\$5 MILLION

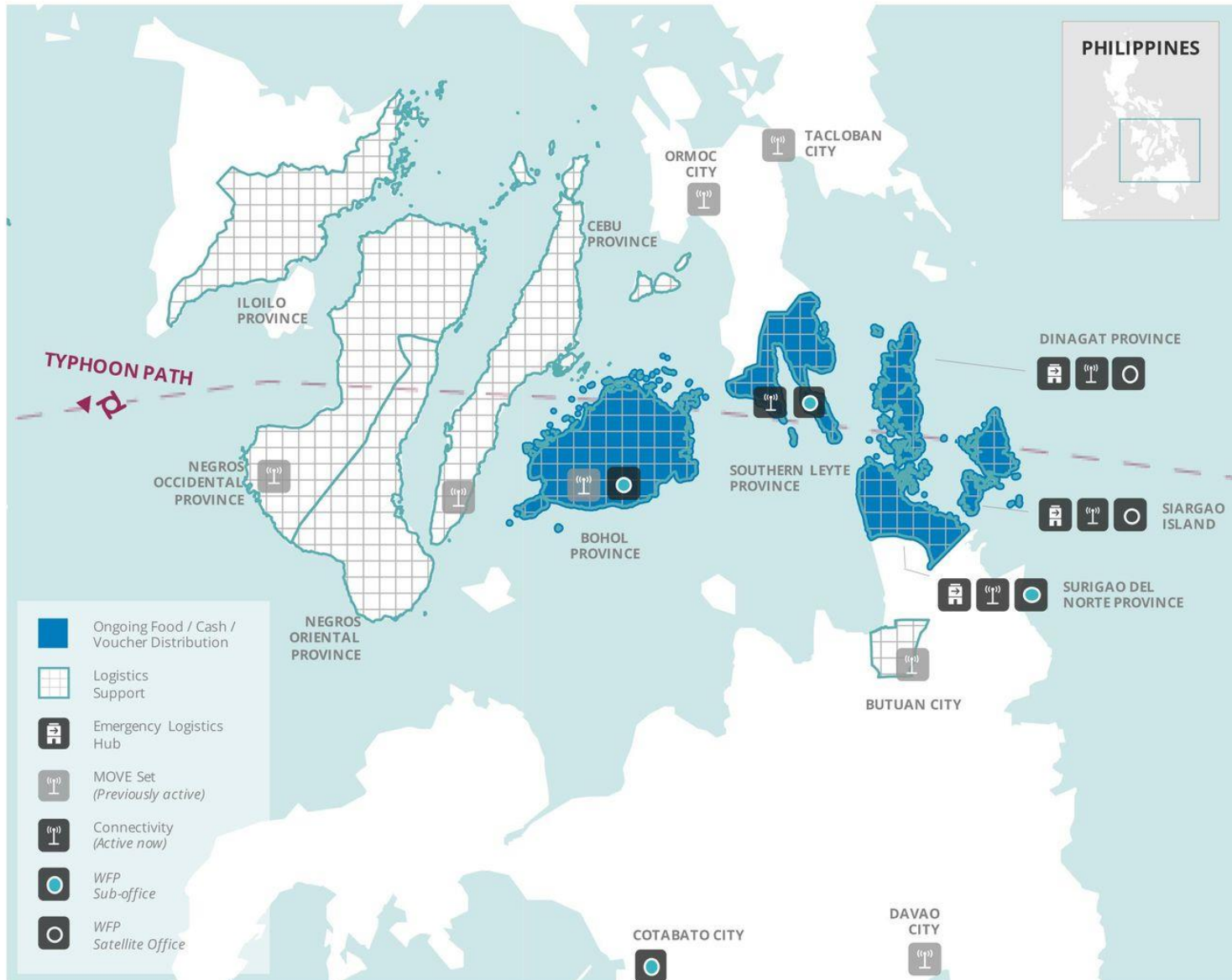
70% FUNDED



\$1 MILLION

60% FUNDED

TYPHOON ODETTIE (RAI), PHILIPPINES: WFP RESPONSE OVERVIEW, 21 April 2022



FOOD SECURITY



289,000
BENEFICIARIES RECEIVED ASSISTANCE



1,122 mt
LOCAL IN-KIND RICE DISTRIBUTED



USD 4.5 million
IN CASH & VOUCHERS TRANSFERRED



LOGISTICS AND TELECOMMS



625,000
FOOD PACKS TRANSPORTED



3
LOGISTICS HUBS ESTABLISHED



15
SATELLITE STATIONS INSTALLED