

WFP Philippines

Typhoon Odette - Situation Report #20

18 May 2022



WFP Philippines Head of Programme Giorgi Dolidze (right) and Fahima Abdulaziz (center) talk to one of the beneficiaries in Siargao during the CBT distribution in Brgy. San Roque in the Municipality of Pilar. © WFP/Martin Winkler

IN NUMBERS

301,455 people have been reached by WFP so far (147,843 women, 153,612 men). **251,725** people received cash and voucher assistance.

562 truckloads transported over **625,000** family food packs (FFPs) from the Government in response to Typhoon Odette.

HIGHLIGHTS

- WFP is concluding its emergency unconditional assistance, and has started cash for work activities targeting 80,000 people.
- WFP is continuing to provide unconditional cash assistance in Caraga as well as food vouchers in Surigao del Norte.

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 over 920,000 people across many of the same areas, 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, assessments and monitoring to ensure access for all.

¹ https://ndrrmc.gov.ph/attachments/article/4184/SitRep_No_6_for_Tropical_Storm_AGATON_2022.pdf

WFP Response

FOOD/CASH ASSISTANCE

- Overall, WFP has reached 301,455 people (147,843 women, 153,612 men) affected by Typhoon Odette to date with emergency food and cash assistance.
- WFP is continuing to provide cash assistance in Caraga region, reaching 191,000 individuals so far with unconditional cash assistance throughout affected areas. Cash distributions in Southern Leyte and Bohol are completed.
- WFP continues to distribute food vouchers in Surigao del Norte, reaching a total of 68,000 individuals.
- WFP completed food distributions in Siargao and Dinagat Islands, reaching 114,000 people.

EARLY RECOVERY – CASH FOR WORK

- As WFP concludes its emergency unconditional assistance, it is focusing on reaching 80,000 people through cash for work and nutrition education activities for a further two months across Bohol, Caraga and Southern Leyte.
- WFP has started preparatory work to implement cash for work activities in Bohol and Southern Leyte. Community consultations aim to tailor programme responses to local requirements.
- Activities identified during community consultations include coconut tree rehabilitation, vegetable gardening, banana plantation, mangrove reforestation, solid waste management, fish sanctuary rehabilitation, seaweed farming and paddle boat repair. WFP will also conduct nutrition education activities in partnership with UNFPA in some localities.

LOGISTIC SUPPORT

- WFP provided 562 trucks to transport 625,900 family food packs from the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and various other relief items in response to Typhoon Odette.
- WFP also provided 131 trucks in response to Tropical Storm Agaton, transporting 109,900 DSWD family food packs and 9,981 bags of rice.
- As needs have decreased, the three logistics hubs set up by WFP and managed by DSWD have been dismantled in Dinagat Island, Siargao Island and Surigao City. All equipment has been returned to the WFP warehouse in Polloc to be stored and used for possible future emergencies.

EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- The telecommunications cluster services are being phased out and replaced with commercial services where possible. WFP continues to support the Department of Information and Communications (DICT) in maintaining installations when needed.
- In total, internet connectivity had been established to support government and humanitarian responders in 24 sites across affected areas.

"We share with the World Food Programme (WFP) our success stories in the supply chain and logistics management. It was evident that we executed a rapid response [...] and we are grateful for the logistics support coming from WFP as we continue our mission to make a difference in the lives of Filipino people through programs that provide for their needs during disasters and hard times. This was made possible because of integrity, teamwork, and respect for others."

RONALD J. REONAL
DSWD National Resource
Operations Center



Monitoring

- As part of its monitoring activities, WFP has conducted interviews with over 1,100 beneficiaries since the start of the operation. Monitoring results indicated that 98 percent of beneficiaries were satisfied with the assistance and 97 percent of beneficiaries spent less than 1 hour traveling to distribution sites.
- WFP also implements a robust community feedback mechanism (CFM), comprising a hotline, helpdesks and feedback boxes at activity sites. In April, the majority of feedback gathered consisted of 'thank you' messages for the assistance received (37 percent) followed by queries on the targeting criteria (15 percent), and data amendment requests (14 percent).

Resourcing Update

- Under the early recovery phase, WFP requires an additional US\$ 4.3 million to implement cash for work activities out of US\$ 6.5 million required.
- 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 donations.

WFP FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

\$35.6 MILLION

59%
funded

41%
unfunded

FOOD & CASH



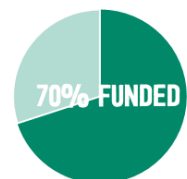
\$29.6 MILLION



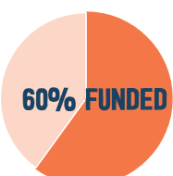
LOGISTICS



\$5 MILLION



\$1 MILLION





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Emergency Dashboard | May 2022

SAVING LIVES
CHANGING LIVES

Typhoon Odette (Rai) Emergency Dashboard



PEOPLE AFFECTED

Jan - Apr 2022

12 m People severely affected

4.4 m Workers directly impacted

533,000 Farmers, fisherfolk affected

Source: Department of Social Welfare and Development of the Philippines, Department of Agriculture of the Philippines, ILO.

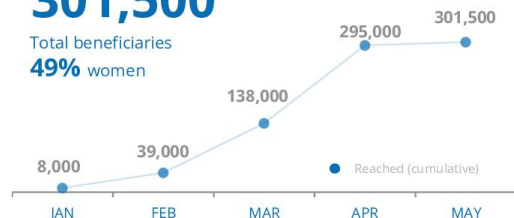


PEOPLE ASSISTED

as of 17 May 2022

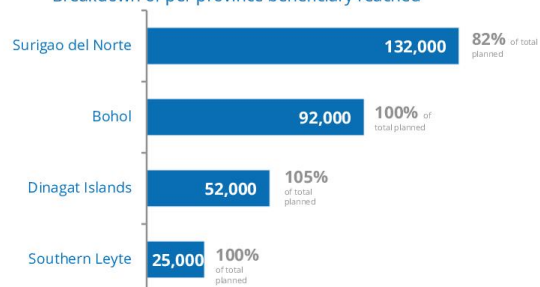
301,500

Total beneficiaries
49% women



With the completion of in-kind, cash and voucher distributions, WFP will shift its operation from unconditional assistance to cash-for-work, nutrition and health education activities. If fully funded, WFP plans to reach up to **190,000** people for a further two months.

Breakdown of per province beneficiary reached



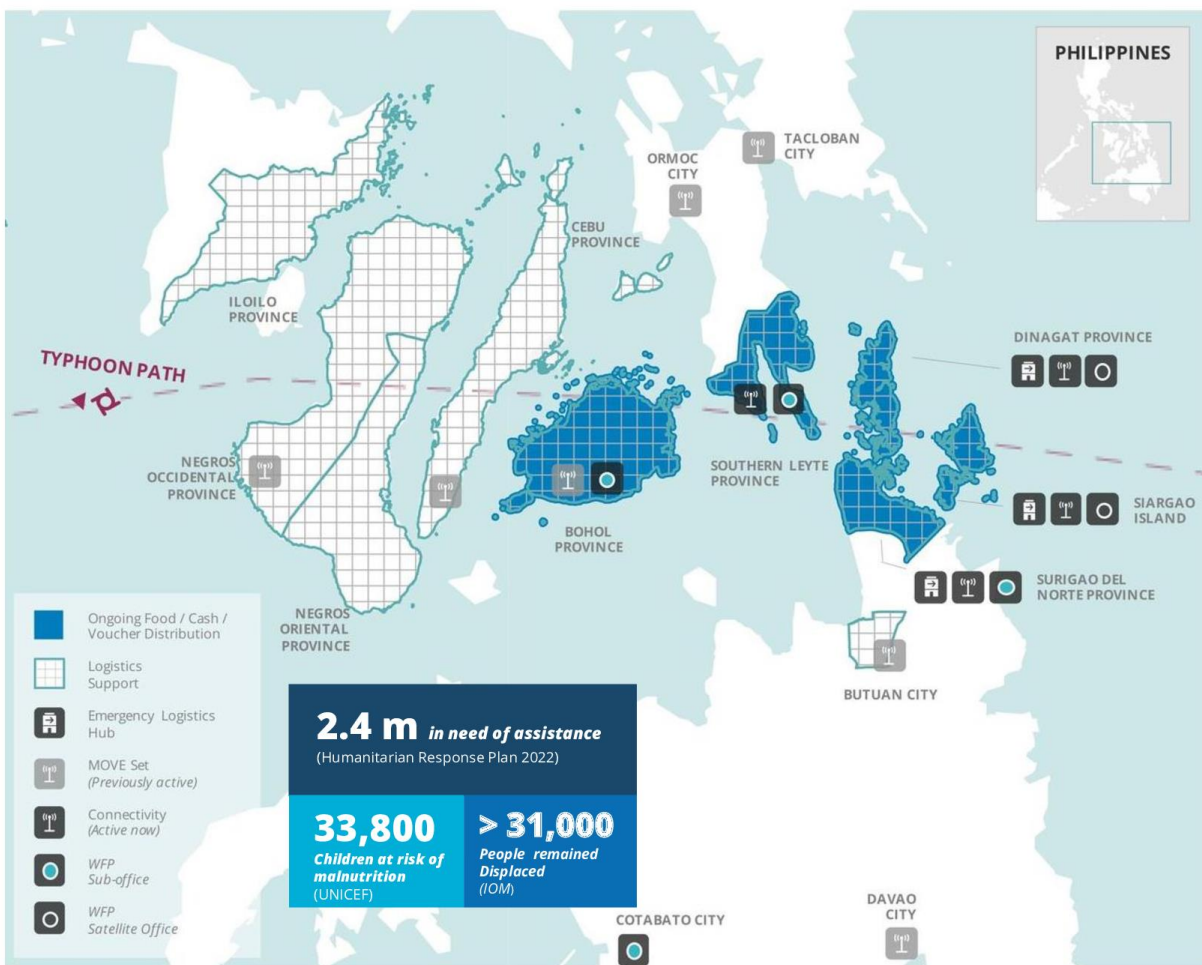
FUNDING

Funding requirements

US\$ 35.6 m

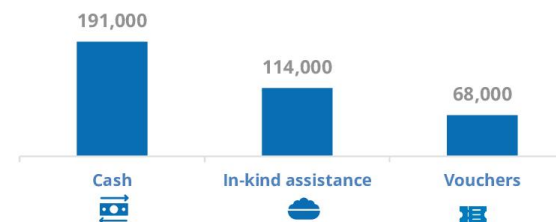
Confirmed contributions as of 22 April

US\$ 20.7 m



OPERATIONAL PROFILE

By Activity (January to April)



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562 trucks transported 625 k Government family food packs (FFPs) in response to Typhoon Odette; 36 trucks with 45 k FFPs in response to Tropical Storm Agaton.

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