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EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND





AROUND THE WORLD, WHEN DISASTER STRIKES, WFP IS THERE

Every year, millions of people around the world are impacted by natural disasters and conflict. As an expert in emergency response, the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) is the first stop for governments and organizations in responding to food, logistics and emergency telecommunications needs in the wake of a humanitarian crisis. The agency works with local communities and governments to build a strategy that will bridge the gap from initial response to recovery and resilience.

- WFP's emergency operations cover three main kinds of crises:
- Sudden disasters: Usually natural disasters (such as floods and earthquakes) which affect food access and/or cause population displacements.
 - Slow-onset disasters: Such as droughts and crop failures.
 - Complex emergencies: Conflict, widespread social and economic disruption and large population displacements.

FLEXIBLE RESOURCES WHENEVER AND WHEREVER NEEDED

To support WFP's global emergency relief operations in response, the Emergency Response Fund provides an efficient solution for partners to expedite their charitable gifts, immediately addressing lifesaving logistics and food needs in the field. Charitable giving to the Fund is simple, flexible and cost-effective.

Donors to the Fund retain the ability to recommend grants and can work with WFP USA to determine the scope and geographic area of allocations. Present and past needs in the fund include WFP's regional Syria response operation, Southern Africa drought preparedness, South Sudan's ongoing conflict, emergency food and logistics assistance to Nepal in response to earthquakes and to West Africa in response to the Ebola crisis.

Because of these donations, families affected by hunger all over the world were able to get lifesaving assistance when it mattered most. Now, more than ever, the world depends on WFP's emergency expertise.