

WFP Video News Release

Gaza, Occupied Palestinian territories

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Shotlist

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Zaitoun, Gaza

Shot 22 Nov 2012

Various shots of bombed area

00:44-01:05

SOT Tahir Nour , WFP occupied Palestinian territories , Shot 26 Nov 2012

"we were able within the first few days to provide food assistance to 800 hundred families who's houses have been destroyed as a result of the conflict, and in addition, after the Israeli forces have dropped leaflets warning people to leave their homes, WFP was able to provide food assistance to 11 thousand people who had become displaced "

01:05-01:26

Khan Younis, Gaza

Various of WFP food distribution

01:26-01:37

SOT Tahir Nour , WFP occupied Palestinian territories Shot 26 Nov 2012

"Our next steps are to further assess the food security situation in Gaza as a result of the conflict and to continue to provide our regular food program to those who are food insecure"

01:37-01:58

Khan Younis, Gaza

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Storyline

WFP has been responding to a temporary increase in humanitarian needs during the eight-day upsurge in violence, while at the same time continuing food assistance to people who are part of its usual programmes in Gaza.

WFP welcomes the ceasefire agreement that guarantees the opening of all crossings for the movement of people and transfer of goods. Access to Gaza is a main concern to WFP and a significant challenge under normal circumstances.

WFP has sufficient food pre-positioned inside and outside Gaza to cover the needs of its regular caseload of 285,000 people for more than three months.

WFP Operations in Gaza

During the eight-day period of conflict, more than **80,000 people** received WFP food assistance through emergency and regular distributions:

WFP provided **11,000 displaced people** with emergency food assistance (canned tuna, bread and date bars) on 21 November, before the ceasefire. [These people had taken refuge in UNRWA (*United Nations Relief and Works Agency* for Palestine Refugees in the Near East) schools following warnings from the Israeli Defense Forces to leave their homes. They have now returned to their homes.]

WFP provided emergency rations to **800 families in Gaza (about 4,800 people)** whose houses were destroyed during the most recent attacks. These families received a ration of bread and canned fish, for a period of 10 days.

WFP provided food assistance to about **36,000 people** as part of its regular November/December distribution cycle, which commenced on 20 November.

99% of WFP's food voucher beneficiaries (**30,000**) redeemed their vouchers during the period of the conflict