Fighting Hunger Worldwide

WFP CASH AND VOUCHERS
From Food Aid to Food Assistance
C&V in WFP’s corporate strategy

• Initially introduced in May 2007
• Cash for Change initiative launched in Nov 2010
  – Develop corporate capacity
  – Establish systems and processes to take C&V to scale
• WFP’s strategic plan 2008-2013:

  ‘WFP has an array of programmes to help communities reinforce their essential food and nutrition security systems and infrastructures, as well as their adaptability to climate change—including voucher, cash and food-based safety nets’.
# C&V in East and Central Africa

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C&V in East and Central Africa

- Around USD 22 million
- About 5% of the total volume of assistance
- 2015 target: 30%
### Fresh Food Vouchers Case Study - Somalia

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<th><strong>PROGRAMME:</strong></th>
<th>Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme (Family Ration only)</th>
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<td><strong>BENEFICIARIES:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>LOCATION:</strong></td>
<td>10 TSFP sites in Burao district</td>
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<td><strong>START MONTH:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>PARTNERS:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>VOUCHER TYPE:</strong></td>
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- Voucher values vary between programme and region
- Calculation based on food MEB, split into small vouchers
Evaluation Findings

Dietary diversity

Increased compared to traditional food basket: Rice, wheat flour, pasta, vegetable oil, sugar, fresh meat, tuna and dates

Beneficiary satisfaction

High satisfaction with quality (94%), choice (95%) and security redeeming vouchers at traders (100%)

Food utilisation

A higher proportion of the food basket was consumed in the household (99%) with vouchers as compared to in-kind (74%).
Paper Voucher Challenges

Supply Chain Management

Voucher pre-production, print, logistics, warehousing and distribution challenges.

Security

Managing fraudulent voucher usage, duplication, theft or damage.

Monitoring and Evaluation

Efficiently and effectively report on voucher use.
E-Vouchers

Supply Chain Management

E-Vouchers mitigate supply chain complexities of paper vouchers and are adaptable to other programmes.

Security

- Beneficiaries are registered and issued with an E-Voucher card.
- E-Voucher is used to distribute entitlements per beneficiary.
- Added security features e.g. biometric data (FoodNet).

Monitoring and Evaluation

Ability to report on beneficiary consumption centrally (FoodNet).
**Legacy Transfer Solutions**

- Procedure-specific approach
- Non-integrated solutions

**FoodNet’s Transfer Solution**

- Standard solutions/services across all functions for each modality
- Established SLAs and technologies
**FoodNet – Key Functionality**

**Single Beneficiary registration and enrolment repository**

- Online/ Offline beneficiary enrolment on to a project activity
- Ability to capture beneficiary biometric information.

**Manage distribution of entitlements**

- In kind: Ration composition and amount per project/beneficiary(s)
- Cash and Voucher distribution.

**Reconciliation and Settlement**

Reconcile between different ‘actors’ (WFP, CP, FSP, Retailer...).
Why FoodNet

Integrated global beneficiary database

- Corporate IT solution for C&V

Integrated business processes between business functions

- Programme, Finance, Logistics etc.

Mitigate security risks e.g. beneficiary biometrics

WFP HQ development and support

- Leverage off a globally supported solution.

Long-term integration into WFP corporate processes
Thank you!

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