



DAVID M. BEASLEY

Executive Director

As Executive Director of the World Food Programme, David Beasley continues his life's work bridging political, religious and ethnic boundaries to champion economic development and education. At WFP, Mr. Beasley is putting to use four decades of leadership and communications skills to mobilise more financial support and public awareness for the global fight against hunger.

That fight is ever more critical now, with hunger rising because of persistent conflict and the impact of climate change. Under Mr Beasley's leadership, WFP has mobilised the resources required to respond to an expanding caseload of people who require food assistance due to the impact of conflict, displacement, climate shocks and socio-economic downturns. In 2020, the agency aims to reach around 100 million people. Mr Beasley is also driving greater focus and attention to WFP's work beyond emergency food assistance, highlighting the fact that longer term development can bring peace and stability to troubled regions.

Before coming to WFP in April 2017, Mr Beasley spent a decade working with high-profile leaders and on-the-ground programme managers in more than 100 countries, directing projects designed to foster peace, reconciliation and economic progress. He travelled to as many as 30 countries a year, organizing, leading or participating in conferences and missions in Kosovo, South Sudan, Sudan, Tunisia and Yemen, among others. His work has allowed him to develop deep relationships with leaders around the world.

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