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## DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (1 JANUARY–31 DECEMBER 2013) – SWAZILAND 200508

### Support to Community-Based Volunteer Caregivers of Children Affected by HIV and AIDS

Number of beneficiaries	60,000 (yearly maximum)
Duration of project	2 years (1 January 2013–31 December 2014)
WFP food tonnage	4,988 mt
<b>Cost (United States dollars)</b>	
Food	2,025,256
Total	3,984,716

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## ABSTRACT

1. Swaziland has a population of 1 million and the highest prevalence of HIV in the world, with 26 percent of adults and 38 percent of pregnant women living with HIV. The high HIV incidence has resulted in a growing number of orphans and other vulnerable children (OVC), which could reach 250,000 by 2015. Orphans are children under 18 who have lost one or both parents or are living with a parent who has no source of income because he or she is terminally ill, disabled or otherwise unable to provide for children. Orphans may be heads of households or living in a child-headed household. They are particularly vulnerable, having few resources to meet basic needs such as food and school fees. Households and communities struggle to meet the needs of these children. At the same time, the extended family structure is being eroded by poverty, urbanization and HIV/AIDS. This creates a less protective environment for children, with an increased incidence of neglect, violence, abuse and exploitation.
2. Under the overall leadership of the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister and the Ministry of *Tinkhundla* Administration and Development, WFP provides food assistance as an incentive to caregivers who volunteer their time to cook nutritious meals and provide basic lessons and psychosocial care for children enrolled at neighbourhood care points.
3. Development project (DEV) 200508 directly complements DEV 200422, “Support to Children and Students Affected by HIV and AIDS”, which is supported by the Global Fund. DEV 200508 adds value by ensuring that the services of the caregivers enhance the efficiency of food assistance to OVC.
4. WFP has supported OVC and caregivers through neighbourhood care points in Swaziland since 2002. The project builds on this experience and its design was informed by an appraisal of lessons learned. The project is directly aligned with national policies, United Nations Development Assistance Framework pillars 2 and 3, and Strategic Objectives 4 and 5. It contributes to the achievement of Millennium Development Goals 1 and 3.<sup>1</sup>
5. To ensure the project’s sustainability, WFP will continue to develop the capacity of the Government and cooperating partners to implement national food assistance programmes through the provision of training and technical assistance. WFP will also advocate for the inclusion of support to caregivers in other national safety-net programmes.

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<sup>1</sup> Millennium Development Goals: 1 - Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger; 3 - Promote gender equality and empower women.