



Evaluation of Guatemala WFP Country Strategic Plan 2021–2025

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Country Strategic Plan overview

- Middle-income country context with very **high child malnutrition rates**
- High risk of **extreme climatic events**
- CSP focus on **complementing Government responses and building resilience**
- **55% of CSP funded by Government for service provision to national programmes**



Summary of key insights from the evaluation



Insight 1: Strategic positioning

- Relevant combination of humanitarian assistance, institutional strengthening & resilience building pilot projects supported Government
- WFP well positioned as humanitarian actor & partner of choice for procurement and logistic services to national nutrition programme



Insight 2: Results

- Food access for people affected by Covid-19 & typhoons Eta and Iota
- Expanded micro insurance coverage helped ensure smaller holder farmers resilience
- Improved national capacities for targeting and coordination of social protection interventions (social registry)
- Improved transparency, efficiency & economy of national nutrition programmes



Insight 3: Challenges and risks

- Depth & breadth of coverage challenged by reduced funding
- Limited scaling up of resilience pilots; insufficient institutional anchorage & evidence generation
- Limited programme integration negatively impacts on effectiveness
- Services to national nutrition programmes need stronger links into wider capacity strengthening strategy
- Service provision needs ongoing assessment/management of operational independence risks
- Cultural relevance can improve

Recommendations

- 1 Strengthen CSP **coherence** through clearer links between national & local institutional strengthening and direct assistance
- 2 Work with government counterparts to define a strategy for **capacity strengthening** to ensure that efficiency gains in government procurement & logistics processes are sustained
- 3 Strengthen internal & external **implementation capacity** at local level, especially for partnerships and institutional anchoring
- 4 Maintain and reinforce a **culturally appropriate and inclusive** approach to CSP implementation – prior consultation & indigenous knowledge
- 5 Continue to implement the regional gender policy & strategy focusing on **shared responsibility for domestic and care tasks**