



International UN Volunteer Ana Maria Isaza-Botero (Colombia) serving with WFP in Liberia, helping the community to recover from a disaster and developing plans to cope with similar risks in future. (UNV Liberia, 2008)

## UNV partnering with WFP

Since 1973, the World Food Programme (WFP) has been partnering with the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme to deliver vital food assistance and improve food security worldwide. Between 2008-2018, 738 UN Volunteers served with WFP, supporting its mission to ease the burden of food shortages, improve nutrition, achieve food security and ultimately end global hunger.

### How does the recruitment of UN Volunteers add value to WFP?

As an efficient, speedy and diverse talent solution for UN partners, UN Volunteers serve with UN entities to bring people to the forefront of development, peace and humanitarian issues. UNV manages a pool of over 250,000 talented and qualified UN Volunteers who can be deployed to bolster the delivery of WFP's programmes and support the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

UN Volunteers can contribute to the WFP goal of eradicating hunger and

malnutrition, supporting or restoring food security and nutrition and establishing or rebuilding livelihoods in fragile settings and following emergencies.

Read more about [UN Volunteers serving with WFP](#).

UN Volunteers are experienced personnel available to support WFP's mandate. In 2018, over 80 per cent of UN Volunteers came from the global South, offering an understanding of complex local development challenges and societal norms. UN Volunteers can strengthen the impact, sustainability and inclusivity of development initiatives, fostering participation and generating local ownership.

### **How can your office recruit UN Volunteers?**

UNV offers different categories of UN Volunteers to suit the needs of UN partners, such as international and national specialists, youth or online volunteers. UN Volunteers can serve from two weeks to up to four years, depending on the category of volunteer. UNV manages all contractual, legal and management aspects to help minimize the administrative impacts for the host organization.

To partner with UNV and recruit UN Volunteers to support WFP's programmes and operations, [contact](#) the UNV Field Representation or Regional Office for guidance and support.

For further information, refer to UNV's website at: <https://toolkit.unv.org>.