

Food security projects in Gaza

“Information relating to:

- *Improving food security for non-refugees in Gaza, ref GB-1-202375-101*
- *Improving food security for refugees in Gaza, ref GB-1-202375-102”*

DFID holds information relevant to your request. However, we are withholding some of the information under Section 21 (information readily available to the applicant) as the Business Case and Annual Reports for the project is available in the Development Tracker on the GOV.UK website using the following links:

<https://devtracker.dfid.gov.uk/projects/GB-1-202375/>

“Request 1: *Please provide full details of the suppliers to whom the £15,100,000 was given, to include but not limited to their name, address and company number.”*

The names of the suppliers are available in the Business Case (using the link above) and further details are available on the following websites:

<http://www.wfp.org/countries/palestine/contacts>

<http://www.unrwa.org/contact-us>

“Request 2: *Please provide details of how the money was allocated, i.e. was it just a cash payment or if not, on what was it spent.*

Request 3: *Please provide details of the process by which payments are confirmed as having been received by the intended recipient”*

Cash payments were electronically transferred to the organisations’ bank accounts upon receipt of a signed Request for Payment and a financial statement. Each submitted official letters confirming receipt of funding.

“Request 4: *Please provide details of the process in place to confirm that the funds supplied are being used for the stated purpose and by the recipient.”*

DFID verified that funds were being used for the purposes set out in the business case (available at the link provided above) through proper programme management and oversight. DFID met project partners regularly (every 6-8 weeks) to review project progress, financial expenditure, results and risk management. The suppliers provided quarterly reports with financial updates, alongside annual narrative and financial reports and the annual UN Board of Auditors accounts.

A DFID evaluation of the impact of the programme is available online at <https://devtracker.dfid.gov.uk/projects/GB-1-202375/documents>.