

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

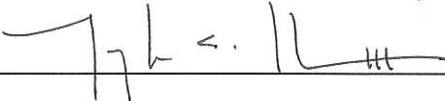
EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Joseph "Bubba" White
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** None
b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: 2/17/2024 Return: 2/22/2024
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** None
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: Nairobi, Kakuma, Isiolo, Kenya Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: World Food Program USA
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Met with Government and UN World Food Program to discuss on ground implementation of US-funded goals, including cash transfers and commodity purchases. Discussed future goals and programming for WFP and impact of US Support.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:*
 - a. a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 2-27-2024

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: David Rouzer Date: 2-27-2024

Signature of Supervising Member: 

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

Original Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: World Food Program USA

2. Travel Destination(s): Kenya

3. Date of Departure: February 17, 2024 Date of Return: February 22, 2024

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Joseph "Bubba" White

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if **all** information is **identical** for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$3,114.12	\$508	\$147.7	\$17 (Bottled water, Snacks) \$34.09 (Electronic Travel Authorization)
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment.
Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Katharine Emerson Digitally signed by Katharine Emerson
Date: 2024.03.01 10:31:33 -05'00' Date: 1 March 2024

Name: Katharine Emerson Title: Chief of Staff; Corporate Secretary

Organization: World Food Program USA

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 1750 H St NW Suite 500, Washington, DC 20006

Telephone: (202) 412-5148 Email: kemerson@wfpusa.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* **at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip: _____

2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. **Check only one.** I represent that:

a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**

b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**

c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): _____

5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: _____ Date of Return: _____

7. a. City of departure: _____

b. Destination(s): _____

c. City of return: _____

8. **Check only one.** I represent that

a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**

b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**

c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**
- a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____
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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**

- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*
 - b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For *each* sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip *and* its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**

- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
- b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (specify: _____)
- c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:

- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
- b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:

1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____

2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee			
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. **Check only one:**

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
- b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
- c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature: Rebecca Middleton Date: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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TRAVELER FORM

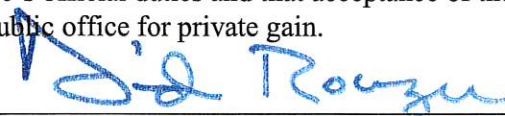
1. Name of Traveler: Joseph "Bubba" White
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: World Food Program USA
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Kenya
4. a. Date of Departure: 2/17/2024 Date of Return: 2/22/2024
b. Yes No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
 - (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
 - (2) Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
 - (3) Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes No Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes No *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**
As Legislative Director for Congressman Rouzer, I handle his Agriculture Committee Portfolio. The Agriculture Committee has jurisdiction over international food assistance programs, including in the Farm Bill, which is up for reauthorization in the 118th Congress. This trip will afford me the opportunity to see the effectiveness of government funded assistance programs ahead of the Farm Bill.
9. Yes No **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member: _____



Date: 1-16-2024

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February 6, 2024

Mr. Joseph Edward "Bubba" White, III
Office of the Honorable David Rouzer
2333 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. White:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Kenya,¹ scheduled for February 17 to 22, 2024, sponsored by World Food Program USA.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$480 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House employees may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$480] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

¹ Please be aware that the Committee's review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohsstaff@mail.house.gov. House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at <https://step.state.gov>.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Michael Guest in blue ink.

Michael Guest
Chairman

Handwritten signature of Susan Wild in blue ink.

Susan Wild
Ranking Member

MG/SW:amr

4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited:

The following individuals have been invited to participate in this learning trip to Kenya because they work directly on issues related to global food security and agricultural development:

- Brandon Ramsay, Staff Director, House Foreign Affairs Committee Global Health, Human Rights, and International Organizations Subcommittee, Minority
- John Altendorf, Legislative Assistant, Office of Representative Brad Finstad (R-MN)
- Joseph "Bubba" White, Legislative Director, Office of Representative David Rouzer (R-NC)
- Disha Banik, Policy Advisor, Rep. Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY)
- Alison Slagell, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of Representative Frank Lucas (R-OK)
- John Myron, Legislative Assistant, Office of Representative Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)
- Elizabeth Mount, Policy Analyst, House Foreign Affairs Committee

12. Description of the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

World Food Program USA (WFP USA) is a U.S.-based nonprofit organization dedicated to building support within the U.S. for the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP). World Food Program USA works with U.S. policymakers, corporations, foundations, and individuals to help provide financial and in-kind resources to develop policies needed to alleviate global hunger, particularly in extremely food insecure countries such as Kenya.

The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) in Kenya receives considerable support from the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the U.S. department of Agriculture (USDA). This trip will allow delegates to see a wide range of WFP programming in the field, from general food distribution to school feeding to support to refugees. WFP USA is the sponsor of this trip, organizing all aspects of the program and logistics in addition to handling all outreach to Congressional offices and is the contact for planning purposes.

13b/c. Class of Travel:

Within Kenya, the delegation will be traveling one-way between Nairobi and Kakuma, Kakuma to Isiolo and Isiolo to Nairobi via chartered United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) flights. This is the only way to travel between these destinations on the given dates. UNHAS, which is managed by the U.N. World Food Programme, offers safe, reliable, cost-efficient, and effective passenger and light cargo transport for the wider humanitarian community to and from areas of crisis and intervention. UNHAS responds to the need for access to the world's most remote and challenging locations, often under precarious security conditions, where no safe surface transport or viable commercial aviation options are available. UNHAS only offers coach travel classes. World Food Program USA will reimburse UNHAS for full cost of this transportation service.

15b2. Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:

A decade of rapid economic growth, the inclusion of food and nutrition security in the government's 'big four' priorities, constitutional changes that devolve administrative responsibilities to county governments and the country's openness to innovation offer opportunities for the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 2 on Zero Hunger and improved nutrition in Kenya. However, even

though the country has recently acquired lower middle-income status, the increased wealth has not benefited all Kenyans equally. Over one third of the population still lives under the international poverty line and social, economic and gender disparities remain. Access to adequate quantities of nutritious food remains a challenge for many, especially in arid and semi-arid regions which make up 80 percent of the country's land area. The friendship between the Republic of Kenya and the United States dates to the dawn of Kenyan independence. As an important partner in East Africa, Kenya is a significant recipient of U.S. foreign assistance. For nearly 60 years, USAID has worked closely with the Kenyan government, Kenya's private sector, and the Kenyan people to achieve humanitarian and development outcomes. The United Nations World Food Programme is a major partner of the United States in implementing international food assistance and agricultural development programs in the country. It offers delegates an opportunity to see a wide range of humanitarian and development initiatives in one place.



**WFP USA Learning Trip to Kenya
February 17-22, 2024**

***All Times Local**
+8 hours from Washington, DC
Agenda includes all participants. Flights and ground
transportation are the same for all participants.*

Saturday, February 17

TRANSIT: WASHINGTON > PARIS

15:45 Arrive Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD)
18:45 Depart IAD on Delta #8631 (code share with Air France)

Sunday, February 18 – Travel/Nairobi

TRANSIT: PARIS > NAIROBI | HOTEL: Tribe Hotel

08:15 Arrive Paris-DE Gaulle (CDG) for connecting flight
10:10 Depart CDG on Delta #8681 (code share with Air France)
20:40 Arrive Nairobi (NBO)
21:10 Transit via hired car to Tribe Hotel, Gigiri
22:00 Check-in to hotel



Monday, February 19

Location: Nairobi

Hotel: Tribe Hotel

Site: Kenya Government Offices & WFP Innovations Projects

Attire: Business attire

07:15 – 08:15 **Breakfast with US Embassy Staff**

Briefing on how the US Embassy and its mission agencies work with WFP to determine which programs to support and how the United States missions provide monitoring and oversight for programs funded by U.S. tax dollars.

08:20 – 08:55 Travel from hotel to Ministry of Agriculture, Upper Hill Nairobi

09:00 – 10:00 **Meeting with Ministry of Agriculture**

The Ministry leads the formulation, implementation and monitoring of agricultural policy in Kenya. This includes the development of legislation and regulation, support for agricultural research, coordination of programs, and overseas quality-control across the agricultural sector. WFP engages with the Ministry to ensure that resilience programming and market access initiatives are well aligned to national policy and consistent with the Government's goals on agricultural development, food security and nutrition, particularly in the Northern Arid and Semi-Arid Lands.

10:00 – 10:30 Travel between government offices

10:30 – 11:30 **Meeting with National Government on country capacity strengthening**

Learn from Kenyan government officials how they are working to strengthen social safety-net systems, including school meals, in partnership with WFP.

11:30 – 12:00 Health break & lunch

12:00 – 12:30 Transfer from National Government Offices to Kibera

12:30 – 15:00

Site Visit to Kibera

Meet with Human Needs project team and briefing at Kibera Town Centre

Learn from WFP local partner on how they support urban food security with innovative delivery methods.

EMPACT training and working center. Meeting with EMPACT graduates

Visit to Empact Digital Skills training program, formerly known as Food for Training, which provides an income while participants learn IT skills and connects them to companies that provide online work.

WFP Hydroponics farm and meeting with hydroponics farmers and farm manager

Understanding urban hunger, and visit to H2Grow - WFP's hydroponics program, operating with 500 participants in Kibera Slum, which helps to diversify diets and livelihoods.

15:00 – 15:45

Return to hotel

15:45 – 17:00

Break

17:00 – 18:30

Working Dinner

Discussion of the impacts of Northern Kenya's recent multi-year drought and the lingering impacts of the crisis in Ukraine on the food security situation in Kenya and across East Africa. WFP to discuss how it has adapted to the evolving challenges, including how it ensures assistance gets to the proper recipients.



Tuesday, February 20

TRANSIT: NAIROBI > KAKUMA

Location: Kakuma
Hotel: Cairo Hotel
Sites: WFP Projects
Attire: Field

05:30 Depart Tribe Hotel

06:15 – 06:45 Briefing – UNHAS

Discuss the role of the United Nations Humanitarian Air Service. Provide background and context on the Kakuma Refugee Settlement.

07:30 – 09:15 Charter Flight to Kakuma

09:15 – 10:00 Breakfast Briefing – Overview of the day

Learn about the refugee community in Kakuma, including forces driving migration including conflict and the recent multi-year drought. Learn about WFP and other UN-agency work to meet refugee needs.

10:00 – 10:45 Courtesy call, Deputy County Commissioner, H.E. Chaunga MaChaunga

Note: a courtesy call on the DCC is an important protocol to be observed when visiting the refugee camp. The meeting lasts around 30 minutes and provides an opportunity to explain the purpose of the mission, and for the DCC to provide an overview of the camp, the potential transition to a more liberal approach to refugees under new legislation, and the connections between the camps and the local economy.

10:45 – 11:15 Transfer to Kakuma 3



- 11:15 – 12:30** **Food Distribution Point: Kakuma 3**
- View commodities in warehouse and food distribution process. Meeting with the Food Advisory Committee at Food Distribution point 3 – made up of camp residents who represent the refugee population – to hear directly from them what drove them to migrate, what benefits they’re receiving, and what they need.*
- 12:15-12:45 Transfer to Kalobeyei (lunch en route)
- 12:45-13:45** **Visit Settlement Primary School**
- Briefing on WFP’s school feeding program, including background on school meals in Kenya supported by the McGovern-Dole International School Meals Program. Meet with educators and students to hear about the benefits of school meals.*
- 13:45 – 14:00 Transfer to the Water Pan in Village Two
- 14:00 – 15:30** **Kalobeyei Village 2**
- Nalingangor Farm**
- WFP has been working with UNHCR, FAO, UNICEF and UN HABITAT to develop food security projects that benefit both local populations and refugees. The site is a water pan implemented through WFP’s engineering service that collects rainwater to feed an associated horticultural farm that facilitates fresh fruit and vegetable growing for almost 900 refugee and local host community families.*
- View Bee Keeping project in Kalobeyei**
- Visit beekeeping households and honey processing hub at Kalobeyei; site visit of the apiary and honey processing project to learn how the programs contribute to economic mobility and stability leading to increased food security.*
- 15:30 – 16:00 Transfer to Kakuma by road and overnight in Cairo Hotel in Kakuma
- 16:00 – 17:30 Break



17:30 – 19:30

Working Dinner

Meet with Turkana-based WFP team to learn about Kakuma refugees and programming, including how it is and isn't like the other major Kenya-based refugee settlement in Dadaab. Discussion will include updates on efforts to integrate the refugees into the host community.

Wednesday, February 21

TRANSIT: KAKUMA > ISIOLO > NAIROBI

Location: Isiolo
Hotel: Tribe Hotel
End of Day Nairobi
Sites: WFP Projects
Attire: Field

06:45 Check in flight/airstrip

07:15 – 09:00 Flight from Kakuma to Isiolo/Meru

09:00 – 09:20 Overview of Day at WFP Isiolo Office

Overview of current malnutrition situation in Kenya and WFP's US-funded scale-up in treating Moderately Acute Malnutrition for Children under 5 years and Pregnant and Lactating Women (PLWs).

09:30 – 10:30 Visit of Waso Health Centre

View malnutrition treatment at Waso health centre. Beneficiaries will be children under 5 years and PLWs.

10:30 – 10:45 Transfer to Elsa Ntrim with technical briefing enroute

Discuss WFP's self-reliance program, and initiatives to engage youth, in a country where 70% of the population is under 35.

10:45 – 11:45 Visit Elsa Ntrim Irrigation Program

Learn from youth smallholder producers engaged in irrigated agriculture (horticulture, apiculture, etc.). Effects of resource-based conflicts and impacts of climate change on livelihoods (e.g., displacement, livelihood



disruption, effects on women, etc.) and mitigation measures for these challenges will be discussed.

11:45 – 12:00

Transfer to Cecinta Ndulu farm with technical briefing enroute

Discussion of WFP's Farm to Market Alliance model in Kenya, creating more than 800 Farm Service Centres to support smallholder farmers. This model is now the benchmark for FtMA worldwide.

12:00 – 12:45

Visit Farmer Service Centre in Meru County

Cecinta Ndulu farm: (women's empowerment) working with over 500 farmers in linking them with clean seed (using screenhouse technology; a technology promoted through the Farm to Market Alliance (FtMA) for the propagation of clean potato planting material), renewable energy adoption (Sunculture), farmer training and other inputs.

12:45-13:15

Transfer to Isiolo International Airport

13:15-14:15

Discussion at Isiolo International Airport +Lunch

Group discussion and reflection on how the sites toured today are related to US investments in international food security initiatives. Discuss interaction between WFP's humanitarian assistance (saving lives) and development assistance (changing lives).

14:15-16:30

Charter Flight Return to Nairobi

16:30-17:00

Transfer to Working Dinner (Restaurant TBD)

17:00-19:00

Working Dinner

Discussion topic: opportunities around resilience building and school meals in Kenya, including the role of the Kenyan government in partnership with WFP.

19:00

Depart Working Dinner for NBO

23:59

Depart NBO for AMS on Delta #9596 (code share with Air France)



Thursday, February 22

07:15	Arrive Amsterdam (AMS)
	Note: Layover is the shortest available.
13:05	Depart AMS for IAD on Delta #9384
15:35	Arrive IAD



Joseph White
Office of U.S. Rep. David Rouzer
2333 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Bubba,

On behalf of World Food Program USA, I would like to extend an invitation for you to participate in a congressional learning trip to Kenya to observe the work of the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) on February 17-22, 2024.

The United Nations World Food Programme is the leading humanitarian organization saving lives and changing lives, delivering food assistance in emergencies and working with communities to improve nutrition and build resilience. In Kenya, WFP provides cash and food transfers to refugees, provides logistical support to small-holder farmers, and supports national and county government authorities in their safety net and nutrition programming and emergency preparedness.

Over the course of this trip, the delegation will conduct multiple site visits, including to a refugee camp, a food distribution center, water security projects, and various other resilience programming activities. Delegates will also engage in high-level meetings, including with representatives from the Kenyan National Government and Department of Agriculture.

We would be honored if you would consider joining us for this unique opportunity. If you are interested in joining, please let us know as soon as possible.

We hope you will take this opportunity to learn more about WFP's work and look forward to your reply.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rebecca Middleton'.

Rebecca Middleton
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