



# Cash transfers

Cash transfers provide poor and vulnerable households with the resources required to address their basic needs and invest in productive activities.

Cash transfers can be **unconditional** or **conditional**.



## Unconditional cash transfer

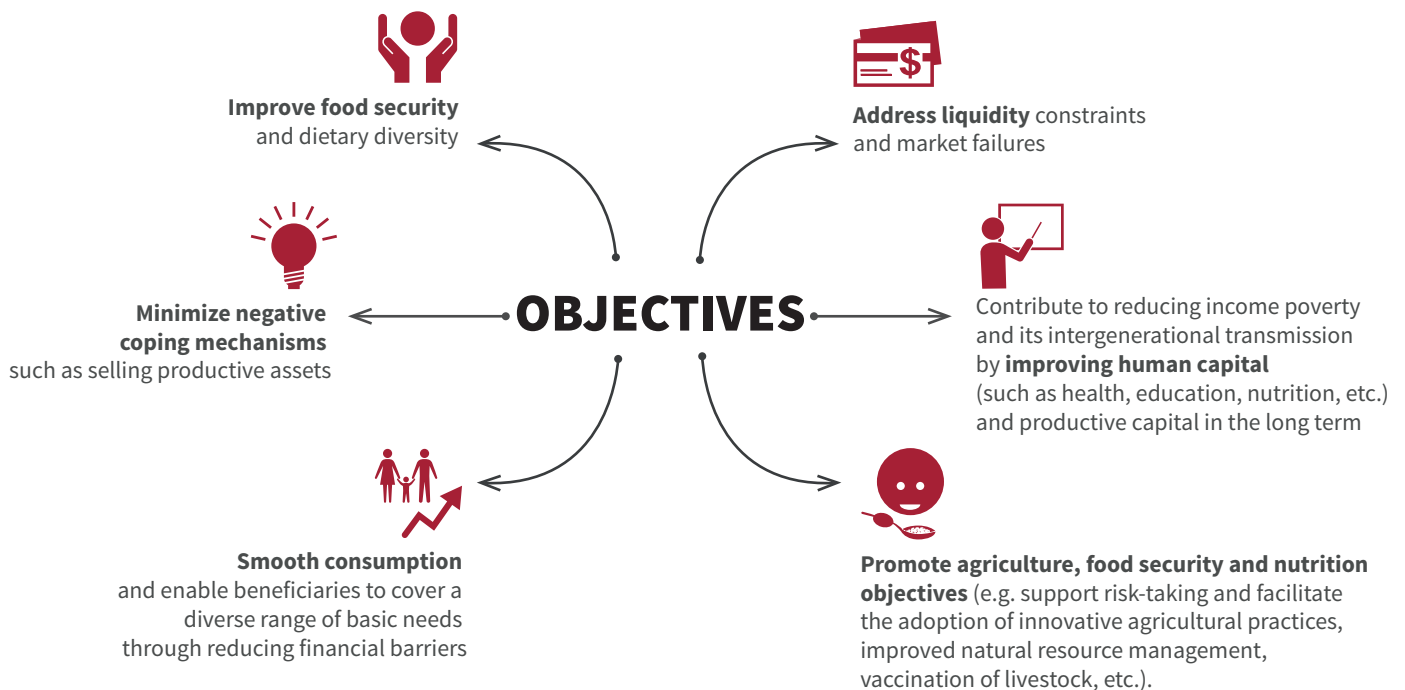
Cash is disbursed to beneficiaries without the need to fulfil any particular condition.



## Conditional cash transfer

Cash is disbursed to beneficiaries with the condition of having to carry out certain actions or meet specific requirements, such as attending a training, adopting good agricultural practices, etc.

The degree of conditionality can vary from “soft” (limited monitoring and no enforcement of sanctions) to “hard” conditions, which are monitored and penalties enforced for non compliance.



### GENDER-SENSITIVE PROGRAMMING

FAO’s cash transfer programmes take into consideration the various roles and challenges of men and women, and are designed to address their specific needs.