

State office to handle food aid and more. *Devex Dish*, 2 Apr 2025

Rebuilding blocks

In Washington, D.C., as the smoke clears on the Trump administration's blink-and-you'll-miss-it effort to dismantle the [U.S. Agency for International Development](#), a blueprint is emerging of **what's left of food aid — and how it will all work.**

The administration has [outlined its plans](#) to shutter the agency and merge some of its functions and programs [into the State Department](#) in a congressional notification that was obtained by Devex. The State Department will create the new Office of Global Food Security **to oversee food and security and humanitarian programs**, including those previously managed by USAID's Bureau for Resilience, Environment and Food Security, and its Bureau for Humanitarian Affairs, our colleagues Adva Saldinger and Elissa Miolene report.

USAID's remaining global health programs will be managed by the State Department's Bureau of Global Health Security and Diplomacy. All remaining USAID programs will be managed by the Office of Foreign Assistance in each of the State Department's regional bureaus, which will also absorb the remaining work of USAID's regional bureaus.

Food for Peace, which purchases surplus food commodities from American farmers and delivers them as in-kind food aid abroad, will see changes, too. Funding associated with the program has long been appropriated to the [U.S. Department of Agriculture](#) but managed by USAID. The notification to Congress states that Secretary of State Marco Rubio, as acting USAID administrator, **will oversee the program** “until appropriate legislation is enacted authorizing the [State] Department to assume this function.”