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Our Impact **Update**



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Message from The National Director



Dear Friends,

What an honor it is to serve and advocate for the most vulnerable children in such unprecedented times of a global pandemic. I am humbled to share with you World Vision Rwanda's annual report highlighting key achievements that, together with partners, we accomplished in these unusual circumstances.

As we live out our faith and calling, World Vision is focused on our mission of ensuring every child experiences fullness of life. The global pandemic once again highlighted the need for water, sanitation and hygiene. This year World Vision provided over 200,000 people with access to clean water and more than 50,000 students were facilitated with access to water supply systems at their schools as part of our commitment to reach one million people with access to clean water.

All WorldVision's efforts are focused on empowering and sustaining change through Integrated models. We are thrilled that a recent study showed a 46% increase in the number of parents and caregivers who are able to provide for their children. In an effort to ensure sustained child wellbeing, WorldVision supported over 70,000 people with cash transfers for their household and family resilience as well as hundreds of agricultural producer groups to gain access to markets and financial services. Various communities were supported to produce and plant more than nine million seedlings for fruit and agroforestry trees in an effort to fight climate change.

WorldVision continues to build upon a strong relationship with local churches, civil society organizations and the government of Rwanda to implement programmes that serve the vulnerable children and their communities in the country. The leadership and staff of WorldVision Rwanda are so thankful to God for his protection and grace in enabling us to achieve so much even in the world's toughest times. To God be the glory!

With sincere thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sean P. Kerrigan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Sean Kerrigan
National Director
World Vision Rwanda

Our Vision

Our vision for every child, life in all its fullness. Our prayer for every heart, the will to make it so.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to follow our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in working with the poor and oppressed to promote human transformation, seek justice and bear witness to the good news of the Kingdom of God.

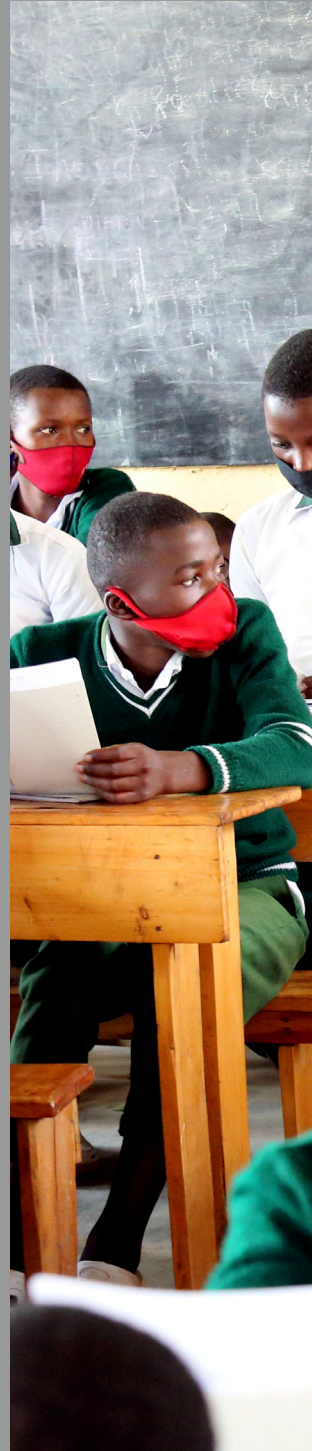
About Us

World Vision is a global relief, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with the children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. We serve all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or gender.

World Vision began operating in Rwanda in 1994, providing relief and rehabilitation to millions of people that were displaced due to the 1994 genocide against the Tutsi. In 2000, we began long-term development programmes targeting vulnerable children and their families with interventions in the areas of Education, Child Sponsorship, Health and Nutrition, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) and Economic Empowerment. Approximately 260 staff, currently serve more than 1.5 million people - mostly children through 26 Area Development Programmes and special projects across the country.

Our Faith In Action

We are inspired by our Christian faith in all our works to serve the most vulnerable children and their communities in Rwanda. We seek to follow the life and example of Jesus Christ in working with the poor and oppressed demonstrating the same love, compassion and deeds that bring hope and transformation to vulnerable families. We therefore partner with local faith communities, faith leaders and churches to promote child protection, positive parenting, health messaging and positive mind-set change. This year we partnered with Scripture Union Rwanda to support children's spiritual wellbeing in their homes through the distribution of Christian story books. We worked with more than 500 faith leaders in child protection and dissemination of COVID-19 prevention messages through radio talk shows.





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Education



World Vision plays a vital role in capacity building of parents, caregivers and teachers starting from the earliest ages to create child friendly, safe and protective learning environment for children in Early Childhood Development (ECD) programmes.

As children enter school our focus is to enable children learn how to read. For example, World Vision Rwanda partnered with World Food Programme on the implementation of Home-Grown School Feeding, an integrated effort to ensure that nutrition, health and literacy of children in more than 100 schools. As a result, there was a 10% increase in grade 3 students who were able to read with comprehension.

During the nation-wide lockdown due to COVID-19 pandemic, World Vision Rwanda collaborated with Rwanda Education Board in the development and airing of 25 English lesson scripts for primary education.

Sixty schools were equipped with Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) infrastructure and 274 teachers were trained in digital education under the ProFuturo Project. World Vision distributed more than 70 laptops, projectors, and power adapters to schools, and gave 3,390 tablets to students to enhance the use of digital technologies in education among children in vulnerable settings.





Summary of **Achievements**



10%

increase in grade 3 students who were able to read with comprehension



82,880

books distributed to children to enhance literacy skills



3,390

tablets distributed to students and 60 schools equipped with ICT infrastructure



1 million

students reached through radio education programmes



1,000

teachers trained on literacy teaching methodology



More than

10,000

parents/guardians supported their children's literacy development

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Water Sanitation & Hygiene



This year, COVID-19 highlighted the strategic importance of ensuring people have access to Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) interventions.

World Vision Rwanda signed a framework agreement with the Government of Rwanda on the implementation of WASH programme in World Vision’s areas of operation. Through partnerships and collaboration with districts and local authorities, World Vision has made tremendous progress in achieving its target of reaching one million people with access to clean water by the year 2022.

In this milestone, 234,487 people, including 107,863 children, were given access to clean water and over 50,000 students from different schools were connected to clean water supply systems.

Through Behavior Change Communications on hygiene, the sensitized families were able to construct sanitation and household handwashing facilities. World Vision promoted safe water handling by organizing various campaigns around hygiene of jerrycans where communities adapted the recommended water point-of-use treatment option.





Summary of **Achievements**



234,487 people
including 107,863 children, accessed clean water



437 water points
installed, including more than 1,000 water taps



151,426 people
received access to sanitation facilities



47,479 households
set-up handwashing facilities in their homes



4,761 people
utilized the point-of-use water treatment



More than **50,000 students**
in different schools were given access to clean water supply systems

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Health & Nutrition



World Vision works with the government, community workers and other development partners to ensure every child experiences good health and nutrition. Last year World Vision enrolled over 45,000 children in home-based nutrition centres within their communities.

Community members were grouped into Citizen Voice and Action (CVA) working groups and equipped with skills to facilitate trainings to improve the quality of RMNCH and malaria services.

World Vision partnered with USAID and IntraHealth in a project dubbed Ingobyi, a five-year cooperative to improve the quality of reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health (RMNCH) and malaria services with the goal to reduce infant and maternal mortality in Rwanda.

World Vision trained community members on kitchen gardens to ensure food security and nutrition best practices in their homes. They were also trained on best feeding and hygiene practices via PD/Hearth cooking demonstrations to rehabilitate stunted children in the communities as well as on Savings for Transformation (S4T).

Summary of Achievements

5,740

community health workers engaged in community outreach for acute malnutrition

45,309

children were enrolled in home-based nutrition centres

78,108

were monitored for growth markers

80

Citizen Voice and Action (CVA) working groups, with 1,539 members were trained on RMNCH and malaria services

19,341

community members reached through access to health information



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Resilience
& Livelihood

World Vision Rwanda worked closely with strategic partners in an effort to break the cycle of poverty so that the most vulnerable children can reach their full potential. Over the last three years, there was a 46% increase in the number of parents or caregivers who are able to provide food, medical treatment and school needs for their children without any external assistance.

World Vision rolled out the Ultra-Poor Graduation (UPG) model, an initiative aimed at moving destitute families from extreme poverty to self-resilience and sustainable livelihood activities, where extremely poor households were registered in the programme.

In partnership with Local Administrative Entities Development Agency (LODA), a government fund under the supervision of the Ministry of Local Government, (MINALOC), the most vulnerable households were supported with cash transfers using the Last Mile Mobile Solution (LMMS) to enhance their livelihoods and development initiatives.

Despite the COVID-19 challenges, the total number of Saving for Transformation (S4T) groups increased registering total savings of over 6.5 billion Rwandan francs (Rwf) and more than 4.5 billion Rwandan francs (Rwf) given in loans. The S4T groups were able to achieve this through digitization of their saving methods to cope with COVID-19 preventive measures.

Protecting the environment is critical in ensuring that the future of children is safe from the effects of climate change. To do this, World Vision supported communities to produce and plant more than nine million seedlings for fruit and agroforestry trees, while smallholder farmers were trained on sustainable and climate smart agriculture techniques.



Summary of Achievements



46%

increase in the number of parents/caregivers able to provide for their children without any external assistance in the past three years



36,160

extremely poor households were registered in Ultra-Poor Graduation Model



More than **776 million Rwf**

distributed to 71,994 members of most vulnerable households to support their livelihoods and development initiatives



6.5 billion Rwf

was cumulatively saved from the Savings for Transformation groups



367,628

people joined Saving for Transformation Groups forming 5,013 groups



More than **9 million**

seedlings for fruit and agroforestry trees were produced and planted



More than **500**

agricultural producer groups supported with access to markets and financial services



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Child Protection



World Vision Rwanda continued to deepen its commitment to the most vulnerable, through the 'It Takes Every Rwandan' campaign, to ensure children are protected from all forms of violence and abuse especially in crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic.

During COVID-19 lockdown period, World Vision partnered with Christian media stations and community-based radio stations to advocate for children through broadcasting messages on spiritual nurture, child protection and positive parenting. To collaborate and advocate for broader impact, World Vision Rwanda partnered with Ministry of Gender and Family Promotion, National Child Development Agency and UNICEF to provide support for child protection systems strengthening across 22 districts.

During the national lockdown period due to COVID-19 pandemic, World Vision partnered with Rwanda Religious Leaders Initiative (RRLI), Rwanda Extractive Industry Workers' Trade Union and Lawyers of Hope to raise awareness on incidents of child abuse and where to report cases of child violence.

World Vision partnered with Inshuti z'Umuryango, local leaders and child protection service providers to ensure they have the capacity, knowledge and tools necessary to prevent violence against children as well as respond to incidents of violence in case they occur.

It takes every Rwandan
to end child exploitation



Summary of Achievements

3,030
community awareness
sessions on child protection
were conducted

127,472
child monitoring
visits were conducted

48,102
children with protection
needs were identified

191,511
people (parents, children and local
leaders) were trained on child
protection

10,873
child protection needs
were reported to relevant
authorities

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Humanitarian and Emergency Affairs



World Vision Rwanda in partnership with the Ministry of Emergency Management (MINEMA) and UNHCR, increased efforts to support vulnerable children in refugee camps through interventions in WASH, education and livelihoods.

World Vision provided education assistance to Congolese refugee students from Mugombwa, Kigeme, Gihembe, Nyabiheke and Kiziba. Evacuees from Libya living at Gashora Emergency

Transit mechanism were supported to attain vocational skills development in the fields of asset development, financial management, driving and hairdressing skills to improve their lifestyles and enhance livelihoods.

In collaboration with Ministry of Emergency Management, World Vision supported households that were affected by landslides and floods in Karongi, Rusizi, Nyamasheke, Ngorororo and Gicumbi districts.

Summary of Achievements

30,013

refugee students supported with education assistance

93,308

people living in refugee camps supported with sanitation and hygiene services

257

evacuees from Libya supported with vocational skills development

880

people who endured losses in floods and landslides received emergency assistance

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COVID-19 Response Activities



World Vision Rwanda was able to respond to the effects of COVID-19 pandemic by strengthening efforts that limit the spread of the disease and reducing its impact on the most vulnerable children and families through the following interventions

303,000

people reached with COVID-19 prevention messaging

49

permanent handwashing stations were set up at all district hospitals and at 50 health care centers

62,500

people received fortified and nutritious food during the nation-wide lockdown

25

English lesson scripts for primary education were developed and aired in collaboration with Rwanda Education Board

99,000

community members were provided with Covid-19 preventive gear

81

permanent handwashing stations were set up in schools to prevent transmission among students

251

churches were supported to install permanent handwashing stations to prevent transmission

13,000

handwashing supplies and 240 comprehensive hygiene kits were distributed

71,994

people received cash transfers for livelihoods

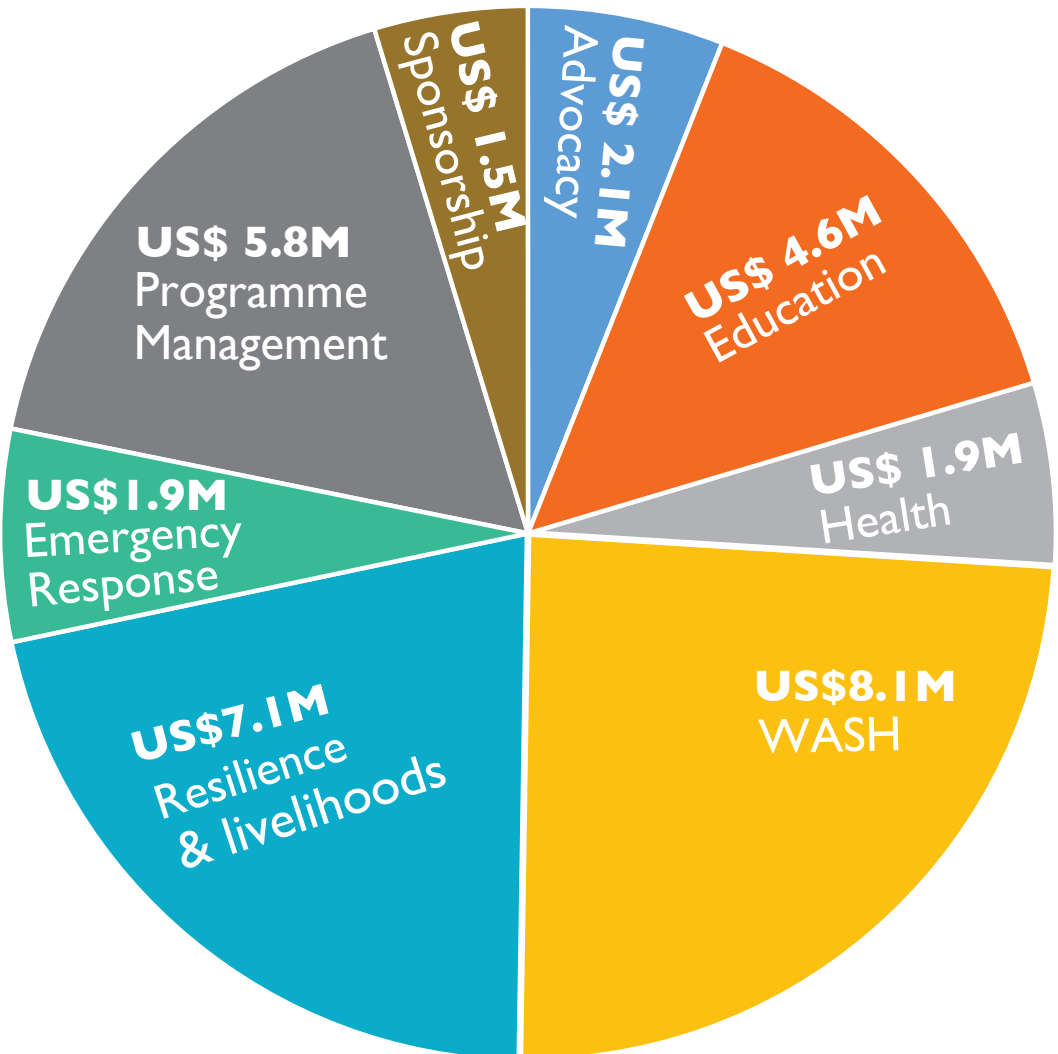


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Financial Summary



FY20 BUDGET BY PROGRAMMING SECTOR



RESOURCES

Funding Type	Amount (US\$)
Government Grants	\$5.4M
Multilateral Grants	\$2.6M
Private Gifts	\$10.8M
Child Sponsorship	\$14.2M
Total	\$32.9M

FUNDING BY COUNTRY

Support Office	Amount (US\$)
Rwanda	\$1.7M
Australia	\$2.3M
Canada	\$1.9M
Finland	\$3.4M
Global Centre	\$0.0M
Japan	\$1.5M
Korea	\$3.3M
Netherlands	\$1.3M
New Zealand	\$0.7M
Spain	\$0.6M
United Kingdom	\$0.0M
United States	\$16.3M

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Our Partners

World Vision believes that only by working together with children, their communities, and our supporters and partners, the lives of the world's most vulnerable children can be transformed. No organisation or government working alone can solve child vulnerability.

We accept the obligations of joint participation, shared goals and mutual accountability that true partnership requires. We affirm our inter-dependence and our willingness to yield autonomy as necessary for the common good.

World Vision Rwanda worked closely with a great partnership of donors, the government of Rwanda, the church community, faith leaders, implementing partners as well as other organizations to achieve its mission of supporting children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice.

We greatly appreciate the support and collaboration of our donors and implementing partners who worked tirelessly throughout the year to support the most vulnerable children in such unprecedented times of COVID-19 global pandemic.







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