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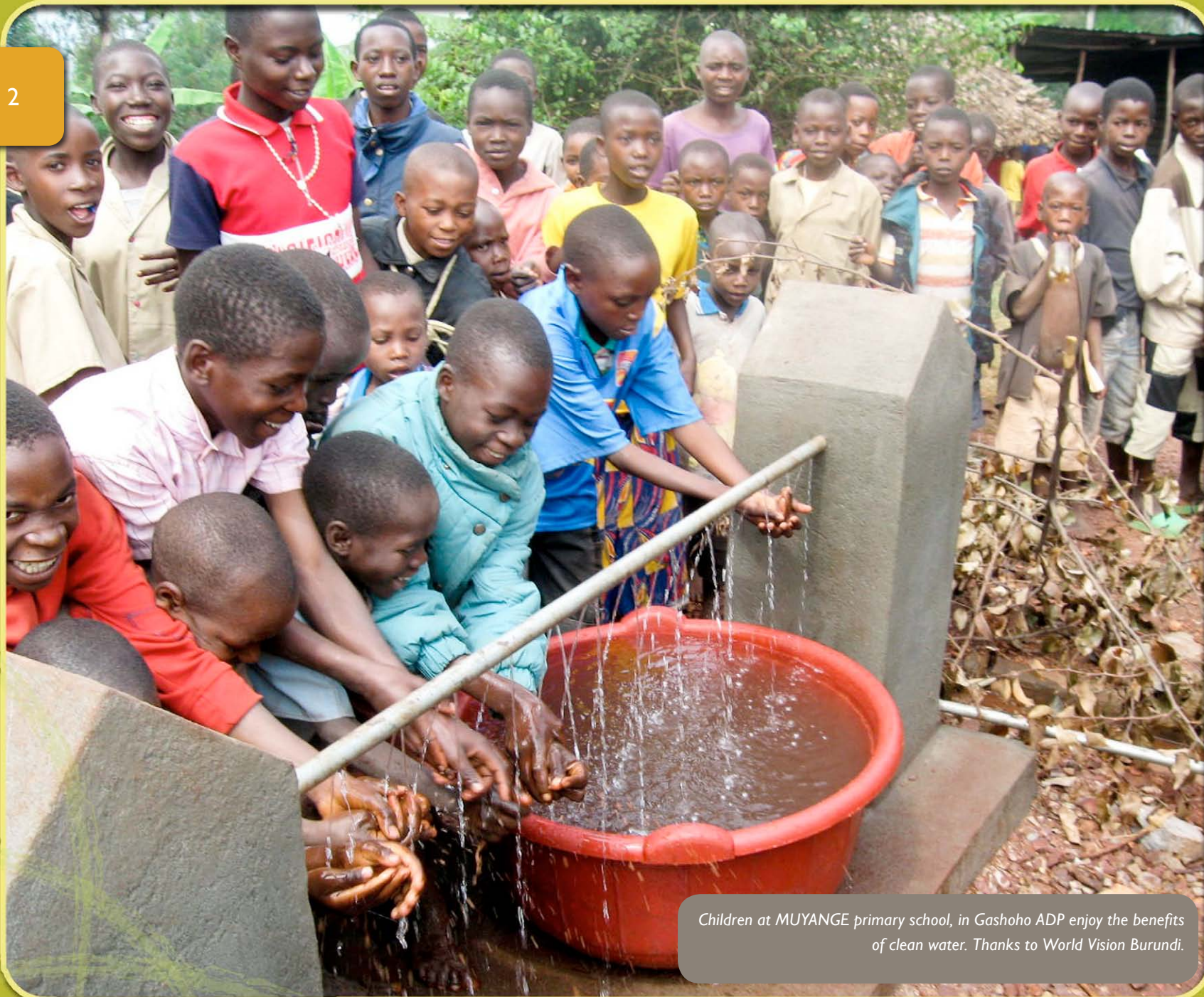


ANNUAL REPORT 2012

— BURUNDI —

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Children at MUYANGE primary school, in Gashoho ADP enjoy the benefits of clean water. Thanks to World Vision Burundi.



I.0 Message From the National Director

It is with great pleasure that I present our 2012 Annual Report. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, and support of our partners, 2012 has seen our program grow stronger with more lives being touched. The number of sponsored children has more than doubled, from over 9,000 in 2011 to over 19,000 children in 2012. This means that more children and their communities can now enjoy the benefits of having access to much needed clean water, quality education, health care, food security - to name a few - and basically the chance to live a life of fullness as per our credo. 2012 has also seen the opening of two new Area Development Programs, in Gitega and Muyinga provinces, bringing us to 13 Area Development Programs. By 2015, WVB will be working through 20 ADPs that use a multi-sector approach of working with partners to facilitate the well-being of children especially the most vulnerable.

We have continued to stay committed to responding to the most urgent needs of the communities we serve, and our effort in establishing impactful nutritional programs has been just one example.

We are proud that our 'Le Foyer d'Apprentissage et de Rehabilitation Nutritionelle' (Positive Deviance Hearth) approach has been adopted in 2012 by the Ministry of Health, and reinforced at a national level. The program has at its essence what World Vision does at its best: empower community members, and make the most of locally available talents and resources. In the case of the Positive Deviance Hearth approach, we empower mothers and fathers who

are role models in their communities to reach out and educate their peers on the use of locally available products to prepare a balanced, nutritious diet as well as raise awareness on hygienic practices.

This initiative is important if we consider that nearly one million children under the age of five in Burundi are chronically malnourished. To increase effectiveness, World Vision Burundi has also just finalised its three-year strategy. Our over arching goal is to improve the well-being of 973,000 boys and girls by 2015 whilst conveying a message of hope. World Vision Burundi strives to achieve this goal through strategic interventions, committed alignments and meaningful partnerships. Not least, we are thankful to our partners and supporters, be it here in Burundi or in many other countries.

I trust that like us, on reading this, you will feel proud of our joint achievements; humbled by the experiences of the people whose lives we have touched; and inspired by the stories of the people with whom we have worked and helped. On their behalf and on behalf of all the staff here in World Vision Burundi, thank you for making 2012 a year of successes and achievements.

Albert Siminyu
National Director, World Vision Burundi.

2.0 Who We Are

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with children, families, and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice. We serve close to 100 million people in nearly 100 countries around the world.

Motivated by our faith in Jesus Christ, we serve alongside the poor and oppressed as a demonstration of God's unconditional love for all people regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

2.1 Our Vision

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

2.2 Our Focus

World Vision is an international partnership of Christians whose mission is to follow our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in working with the poor and oppressed to promote human transformation, to seek justice, and to bear witness to the good news of the kingdom of God.

We pursue this mission through integrated, holistic commitment to:

- Transformational Development that is community-based, sustainable, and focused especially on the needs of children;
- Emergency Relief that assists people afflicted by conflict or disaster;
- Promotion of Justice that seeks to change unjust structures affecting the poor among whom we work;
- Partnerships with Churches that contribute to spiritual and social transformation;
- Public Awareness that leads to informed understanding, giving, involvement and prayer; and
- Witness to Jesus Christ that encourages people by life, deed, word and sign to respond to the Gospel.

3.0 Achievements In the Financial Year 2012

3.1 Focus on Nutrition:

What is the situation?

Nearly one million children under the age of five in Burundi are chronically malnourished, according to UNICEF. 58 per cent of those children also suffer from stunted growth, while acute malnutrition levels have reached 6 per cent.

World Vision's response:

World Vision Burundi (WVB) has been putting a lot of emphasis on the area of nutrition as a sector in its own right as well as being integrated as an important part within the Health and Food Security sectors due to the intrinsic rapport between them.

WVB is a leader in Burundi in successfully implementing the Foyer d'Apprentissage et de Rehabilitation Nutritionnelle (FARN) program, which centres on community champions, mothers but also fathers who are role models in the community to teach their peers on the use of locally available products to prepare a balanced, nutrition diet as well as raise awareness on hygienic.

Key achievements in the Financial Year 2012:

- 21,241 malnourished children screened
- 3,564 malnourished children admitted in FARN program, out of which 3,026 of them rehabilitated
- 407 volunteers trained in the FARN approach
- 260 health workers trained in FARN approach
- 363 children admitted in a Community-based Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) program supported by WVB
- 61 health workers trained in CMAM
- 412 community health workers trained in screening and referral of malnourished children.

Role model for her community

“My child was going to die because of ignorance, had suffered from malnutrition.” sighed NSABIMANA Jeannette, Cherissa’s mother of RUGAZI ADP. Jeannette was responding to World Vision volunteers when they went to visit her at Camumandu hill where she lives. This was two months after that Cherissa had attended World Vision nutritional rehabilitation sessions. She says that she had learnt a lot during the 12 days she spent in the rehabilitation sessions, especially how to prepare and feed her child a balanced diet, and how to practice better hygiene. Jeannette is now practicing at home what she learnt; her baby is recovered, and she is sharing her newly acquired knowledge with her neighbors.



Key achievements in the Financial Year 2012

- 86 Child Health Workers trained on malaria prevention and management
- 312 caretakers trained on diarrhea management
- 220 Community Lead Total Sanitation committee set up and as direct outcome, the percentage of households with improved sanitations raised from 65.7 to 90.68%
- 207 women enrolled in prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (PMTCT) program after community sensitizations
- 46 church leaders trained on Channel of Hope and Community Care Coalitions, an approach World Vision is using in its fights against HIV
- 6,096 children enrolled in Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) activities
- Implementation of Integrated Management of Child Illness (IMCI) approach in operational areas
- 4,150 community members sensitized on family planning
- 130 community members and 35 people Living with HIV involved in HIV prevention training

3.2 Focus on Health

What is the situation?

Approximately 220 children under five die per day (DHS, 2011) from preventable diseases. This is more than just a problem to be solved; it is a “silent” emergency that requires an urgent, scaled up response.

Malaria affects over 30% of children in World Vision’s program areas. Limited and inadequate diet and other factors also make malnutrition common, especially among children. More than half of Burundi’s children suffer from stunting, and nearly 40% of children under five are underweight. Malnutrition affects also adults, making them more susceptible to illnesses, and preventing them from working, and thus, provide for their families.



World Vision’s response

World Vision Burundi has been supporting the Ministry of Health by: Training Health Promotion Technicians and health center committees; providing medicines and medical equipment; providing primary health education training for targeted beneficiaries; distributing mosquito nets; implementing HIV/AIDS projects, including: the use of food aid to help affected households; reducing stigma and discrimination; reinforcing Stop SIDA Clubs in schools; providing material assistance to people living with HIV and AIDS.

“I have heard that malaria kills. The way I saw my kid, I feared that she will not make it.” Said Collette 35-year-old from rural Gitega province, mother of Aline, 7-year-old. World Vision helps St. Therese, her nearby health facility with drugs.

3.3 Focus on Food Security and Livelihood

What is the situation?

Despite being potentially self-sufficient in food, Burundi has the highest level of hunger of all the 79 countries listed in the 2012 Global Hunger Index, published in October 2012 by the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Welt Hunger Life and Concern Worldwide.

Agriculture is the backbone of Burundi's economy. As a result, access and quality of land is central to livelihoods. Burundi's hilly terrain presents both opportunities and risks in farming. Land fragmentation, contraction and over-cultivation are beginning to show in many parts of the country, and agricultural practices remain rudimentary.



Children from Cankuzo ADP are becoming active advocates for environmental protection with the support of World Vision.

World Vision's response

World Vision Burundi has been focusing on improving food security through: provision of training as well as input such as: seeds, planting material, hoes, goats, fruit trees, in-vitro bananas, training materials; promotion of agro-forestry techniques; setting up of seed multiplication centres training and supporting communities on adequate natural resource and environment management for sustainable development; training and support for community economic development including the Youth Empowerment Program



Before WV B supported Mediatrice's community in Rutegama ADP, she was finding it difficult to feed her children a balanced diet. Thanks to WV; now she is growing vegetables and her family can enjoy nutritious meals.

Key achievements in the Financial Year 2012

- 1,291 farmers trained on agricultural techniques
- 7,793 farmers used adequate techniques to increase soil fertility
- 12,745 kg of fertilizers distributed to improve productivity
- 9,040 kg of seed distributed
- 322,210 trees planted to protect the environment
- 266 kg of vegetables produced to provide nutritious food to children
- 915 persons trained in crops processing
- 1,256 persons trained to set up kitchen gardens
- 223 persons benefitted from economic development activities

Some of our achievements per zone

Muramvya

“Cedric’s situation changed a lot since he attended World Vision’s nutritional rehabilitation sessions. I had despaired; some people were advising me to get rid of him since he was not mine. Thanks to World Vision’s porridge, he is healthy and lively now.” Says Philomena Nduwayezu, Cedric’s aunt. Cedric Hakizimana has been rejected by her own mother; Philomena’s sister.



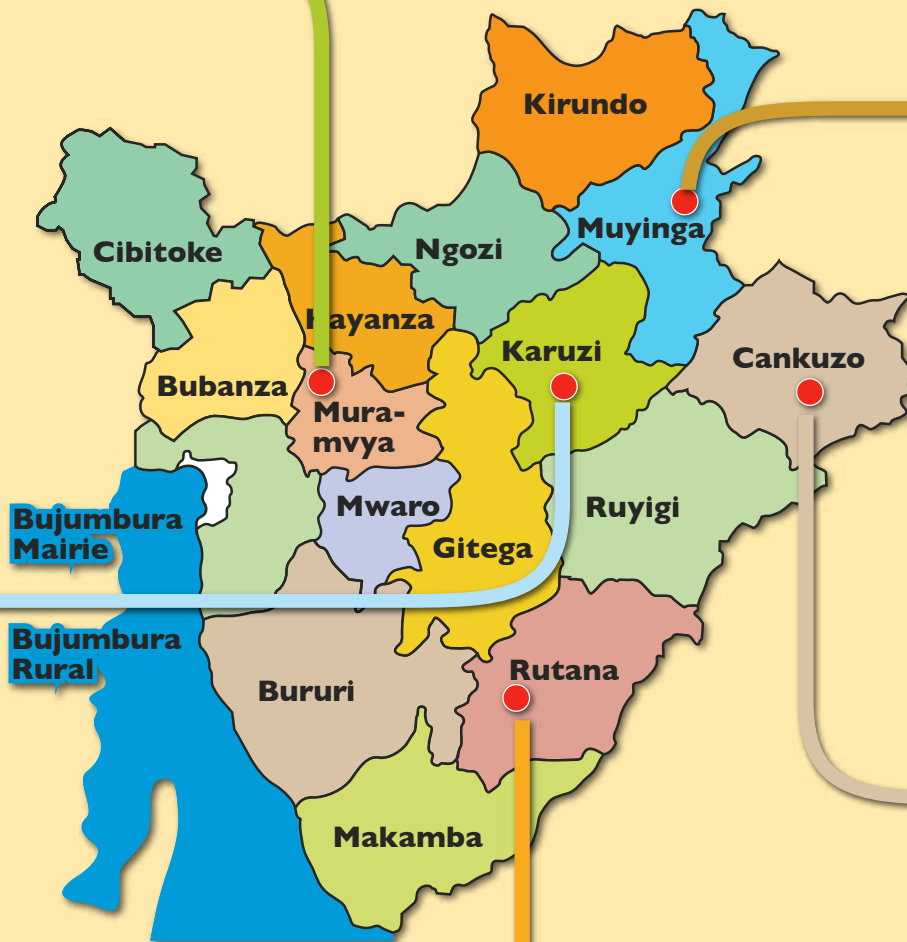
Karuzi

“Doors are always open every time our centre runs out of drugs. We are very grateful for World Vision’s support.” Says Come Manirakiza, Manager of Rugazi health centre in Rugazi ADP.



Rutana

“Our land is no longer producing enough food. It has become barren and we do not have money to buy fertilisers. I will be having now organic manure to fertilise it and harvest enough to feed and send my children to school. Thanks to World Vision Burundi.” Says 58-year-old Nayaha, beneficiary of two goats in Gitaba ADP



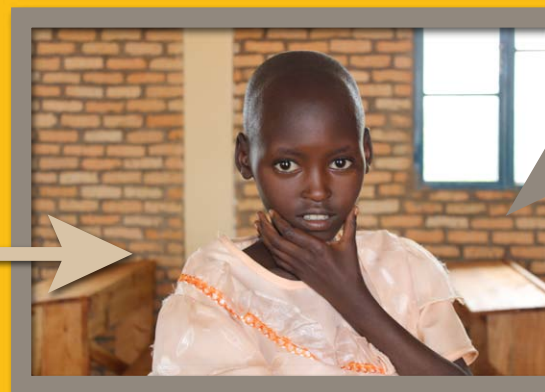
Muyinga

“Apart from being a World Vision volunteer, I am also a chief of my hill; my work with World Vision has brought me closer to the community. This helped me earn their respect and vote. This is my second term as chief of my hill.” Says Judith Ntamahungiro, chief of a hill in Gashoho ADP, north east of Burundi.



Cankuzo

“I used to be afraid. I was physically in class but my mind was outside, thinking about my long way back. I had to cross a river which had two logs as a bridge and when it rained, it was difficult to cross it. It was hard, but both I and my grandmother were convinced that I had to go to school. For people who brought school here, we have nothing else to offer if not to say thank you.” Says alvera Ndayikeza, a nine-year-old orphan girl of Cankuzo ADP. It was at the opening of a new school built by World Vision Burundi on Gatete hill, in the nearby of her grandmother’s home where she lives after she lost all her parents.



3.4 Focus on Education

What is the situation?

The Government of Burundi has declared primary education free in 2007, which resulted in a dramatic increase in enrolment; however, more work needs to be done to improve infrastructure, skill staff, and ensure that children have the means, and necessary school materials to attend school. There is a shortage of classrooms, qualified teachers, teaching materials and school furniture.

The low primary school completion rate (around 53%) is also worrying, and transition to high school remains poor, especially for girls living in rural areas.

World Vision's response:

World Vision Burundi (WVB) has been partnering with the World Food Program to run a School Feeding Program in primary schools to ensure children do not miss out on school despite facing a difficult situation at home, with parents struggling to provide them with food. Over the past few years, up to 100,000 school children were supported by the project in Karuzi and Cankuzo. There are also School Feeding Programs running in 20 primary schools in Muyinga, where WVB has been partnering with the government and the community to build new schools.

The Literacy Boost initiative adopts a holistic approach, working with teachers, parents, and community members to create a supportive literacy environment for children - in and out of school. WVB also supports the increase of communities involvement in the improvement of education, with school management committees

(SMCs) playing a key role. SMCs comprise of elected members, including teachers, administration representatives, parents, students, and an appointed church representative. Efforts are underway to encourage greater participation in decision-making by setting up additional student bodies.



Key achievements in the Financial Year 2012

- 12 new classrooms, 1 library and 1 administrative bloc built
- 25 classrooms rehabilitated
- 94 sets of latrines for schools built
- 11 hygiene clubs set up
- 14,059 children enrolled in the School Meals Program
- Training/Capacity building sessions held for 597 teachers
- Books distributed to 9,625

3.5 Focus on Water, Sanitation & Hygiene:

What is the situation?

In rural Burundi, poor access to safe drinking water, lack of proper sanitation facilities and poor hygiene practices in some areas, remain a major obstacle to achieving better health. The National Inventory for Water and Sanitation (2010) compiled by Burundi Ministry of Energy and Mining with support of the German Technical Cooperation, states that the proportion of people using clean water in the country is 55%.

World Vision's response

In addition to numerous on-spot spring capping activities, World Vision Burundi (WVB) has supported the construction of gravity-fed water systems, rehabilitated water points, and rain-water harvesting tanks. WVB also works to promote hygiene and safe water usage to prevent disease.



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Water brings good health:

When MUYANGE and MURUTA primary schools started their school meal project with the support of World Vision Burundi and World Food Programme in order to prevent children from dropping out because of hunger, school authorities realized that they were obliged to send children to collect water during school time. World Vision resolved this problem by installing rain water harvest tanks.

Jean Claude NIZIGIYIMANA, school management committee member at MUYANGE primary school, found that this has not only helped children to be in school for longer-not having to waste time to go and collect water-but improved also children's hygiene and, ultimately, health. "We were worried, if there is no water it is difficult to ensure that children are eating with clean hands; it was dangerous. Now it is safe. Thanks to World Vision for providing water to our school," he said.

Key achievements in the Financial Year 2012

- A total of 33 KM of water gravity system established, benefitting 516 households
- Constructed or rehabilitated 14 water springs for 4,200 households
- Rehabilitated 1 nutrition center (space for child feeding and breast feeding facilitation at Muramvya hospital) so that mothers and children, staff can have access to clean water
- Distributed 112 water tanks
- Rehabilitated 8 water tanks

3.6 Focus on Child Protection

What is the situation?

There are more than 830,000 orphan children living in Burundi (National Council against AIDS, 2009). They live in a situation of extreme poverty, and are still carrying the scars of the war. Sometimes they have to survive on their own and don't have access to basic services like health care or education. AIDS orphans form 14.3% of this total – an estimated 120,000. School attendance ratio of AIDS orphans is a mere 46%.¹

According to UNICEF about 19% of Burundian children between the ages of 5 and 14 are involved in child labour (19% boys; 19% girls). The International Labour Organization (ILO) defines child labour as work that deprives children of their childhood, their potential and their dignity. It refers to work that is mentally, physically, socially or morally dangerous and harmful to children; and interferes with their schooling. There are several forms of child labour that are commonly found in Burundi. These include domestic work, agricultural work and selling products on the street. Some of the more serious forms of child labour reported include being forced to work in brickyards 7 days a week, for 12 hours a day.

World Vision's response

World Vision Burundi has been raising awareness about children's rights such as access to education, protection from sexual violence and protection against misappropriation of property. Increasing advocacy efforts have also been made in the past three years to promote gender equity and prevent gender-based violence in Burundi.



Burundian youth ready to have their say

Key achievements in the Financial Year 2012

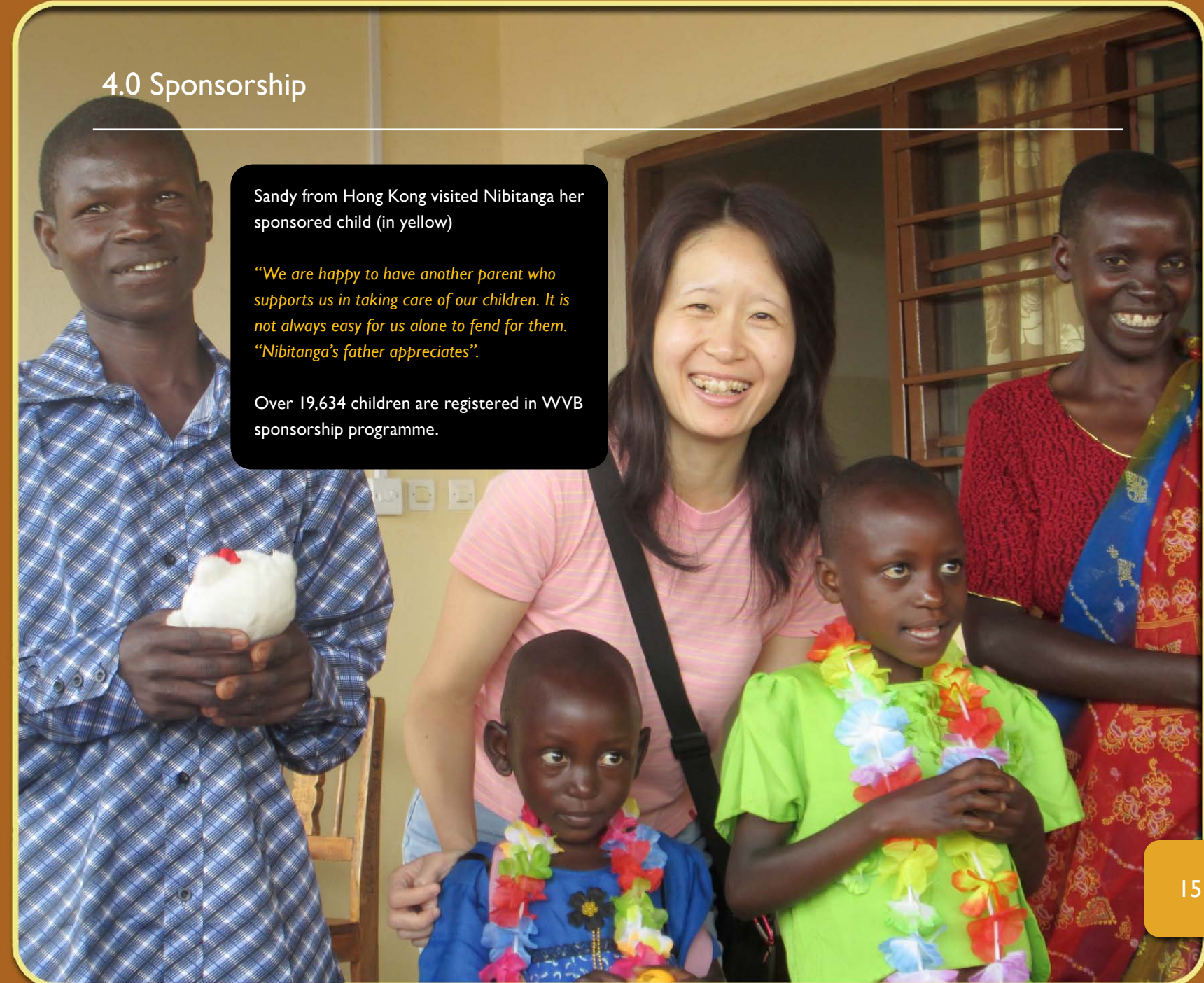
- 359 community development workers and partners trained on child protection
- 842 members of Child Protection Committees equipped with UNCRC and Family/Persons toolkits (booklets)
- 406 members of Child Protection Committees trained on Child Protection Act, Child Rights Convention and Child Protection African Chart and Family Code
- 4 cases of child protection incidents cases reported and managed at ADP level
- 24 ADP projects revised to mainstream child protection activities

4.0 Sponsorship

Sandy from Hong Kong visited Nibitanga her sponsored child (in yellow)

"We are happy to have another parent who supports us in taking care of our children. It is not always easy for us alone to fend for them. "Nibitanga's father appreciates".

Over 19,634 children are registered in WVB sponsorship programme.

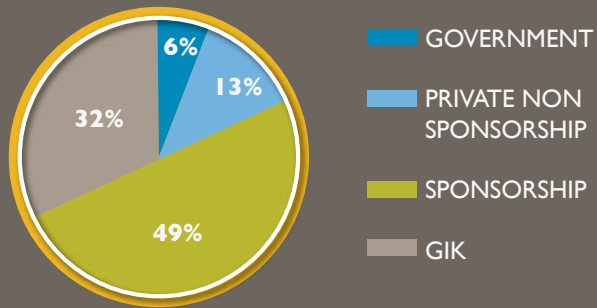


¹ UNAIDS Report, 2006; AIDS - INFO Database, National AIDS Council, June 2006

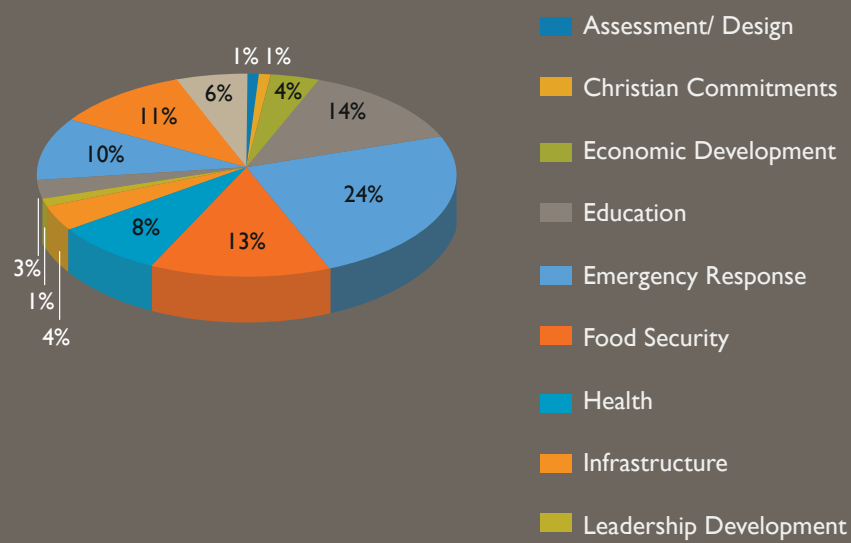
5.0 Financial Profile.

World Vision Burundi is funded by voluntary donations and grants, with most channelled from its international network of support offices. World Vision Support Offices in financial year 2012 have been World Vision Australia, Canada, Germany, Korea, Hong Kong and the U.S. Their help has been invaluable. The overall budget for World Vision Burundi in Financial Year 2012 was over 13 million US dollars.

Funding sources



Expenditure



Mothers in Mugutu ADP (rural Gitega) bringing their children at Rutegama health facility for immunisation. In partnership with the local administration and community members, WVB is carrying out a baseline to identify issues to be addressed together in that area.



Our Values

We are Christian

We follow the teachings of Jesus who calls us to love our neighbours, care for children and challenge injustice.

We are committed to the poor

We are called to serve the neediest people of the earth; to relieve their suffering and to promote the transformation of their wellbeing.

We are responsive

We respond to need whenever and wherever we can.
We shall never rest while children suffer in situations that can be changed.

We value all people

We believe that every person is created equal and entitled to freedom, justice, peace and opportunity. We celebrate the richness of diversity in human personality, culture and contribution.

We work as partners

We work together with all those who care, recognising that more is achieved through co-operation than competition.

We are good stewards

We take great care of the resources entrusted to us by others, whether this is money, time or trust, and we are open and transparent in our reporting.





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