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# ACRONYMS

**CHW/HV:**

Community Health Worker / Health Volunteer

**CLTS:**

Community Led Total Sanitation

**CSB:**

Corn Soya Blend

**FY:**

Fiscal Year

**INGOS:**

International Non - Governmental Organizations

**LQAS:**

Lot Quality Assurance Sampling

**MOH:**

Ministry of Health

**PSDEF:**

Plan Sectoriel pour le Développement, de l'Education et de la Eormation

**UNOCHA:**

United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

**VSLA:**

Village Saving and Lending Association

**WASH:**

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene



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# Message from The National Director

Dear partners and friends of World Vision International, Burundi Field Office (WVIB) It is with great pleasure that we present our 2019 fiscal year report showing mainly the progress made towards education, integrated food security/nutrition, integrated health and WASH. Being the fourth year of 2016-2020 strategy period, we are celebrating various achievements made towards improvements in the lives of 974,910 children.

We thank all partners, sponsors and donor agencies for contributing to the growth of WVIB operations. We acquired two European Union grants that led to the expansion of food security, health and nutrition interventions to 50 communes distributed across 11 provinces. Our financial portfolio also expanded from \$22,789,912 in 2018 to \$29,717,914 in 2019.

WVIB also continued to strengthen partnership and collaboration with churches, faith-based organizations, and government, local and international NGOs. Partnership with church leaders led to efficient implementation of empowered worldview and celebrating families models addressing witchcraft and alcoholism, which are part of the root causes of child vulnerability. The communities we are serving have demonstrated strong ownership of their development. Children have actively played a key role as agents of change in hygiene promotion, regular school attendance and other child protection messages. Adolescents' participation through "Skills and Knowledge for Youth Economic Empowerment (SKYE)" has changed mind-sets towards income-generating activities.

I am inviting you to appreciate how our partnership and your contribution towards access to pure drinking water, quality education, access to nutrient-dense food, emergency response and community conversation around root causes of poverty and child protection have changed the lives of vulnerable children within their families,

We are grateful for the support from our sponsors, partners and the commitment of staff to the realization of the strategic goals of WVIB. I do believe that together we can contribute to ending poverty and ensure Burundian children are living and enjoying life in all its fullness!

**Marthe MBENGUE**

Thanks and be all blessed!



## About WVIB (Who we are)

World Vision is an international Christian relief, development and advocacy organization dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice.

We work alongside families and with local, national, and global partners, helping children take an active role with their families in building lives free of need and full of promise. We speak the truth against injustice, and continuously challenge ourselves and others to do our utmost for those we serve. Our aspiration is to help ensure girls and boys enjoy good health, are educated for life, experience the love of God and their neighbours and are cared for, protected and participate in improving their lives.

We have been working in Burundi since 1994 with our basic model being the Area Program addressing context specific issues within a geographically defined community.

### ✓ Our Vision

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

### ✓ Our Mission

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, seek justice and bear witness to the good news of the kingdom of God.

### ✓ Our core Values

We are Christian  
We value people  
We are partners  
We are committed to the poor  
We are stewards  
We are responsive.







WVIB cumulatively reached 1,354,912 people which includes 974,910 children ( 461,947 girls and 512,963 boys including 58,200 Sponsored children ) and 380,002 Adults in 18 Area Programmes and 5 grants distributed in 11 provinces and 50 communes

**World Vision Burundi's Areas of Operations in Fiscal Year 2019**

**• WVIB is present in 11 provinces**

o 18 Area programmes funded through sponsorship and private non sponsorship in 6 provinces (Muramvya, Gitega, Rutana, Cankuzo, Muyinga, Karusi)

o Multilateral and bilateral grants in 5 provinces ( Kirundo, Mwaro, Kayanza, Makamba, and Ruyigi).

• Gifts-in-kind (GIK) in form of Non-Food items ( NFLs ) and medicine.

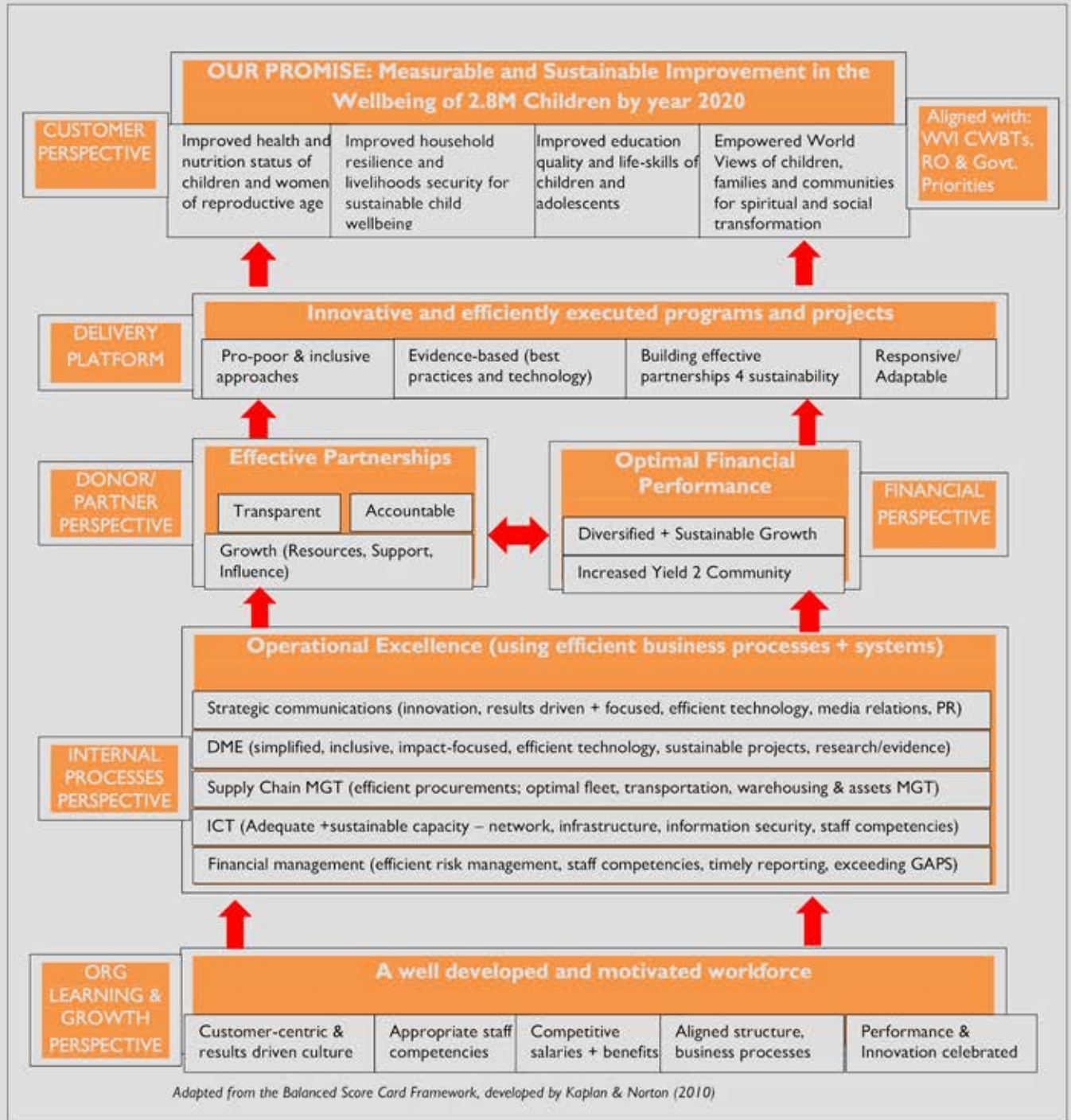
• Key interventions being funded by sponsorship, grants and GIK include: Integrated Food Security and Nutrition, Integrated Health and Water , Hygiene, Sanitation ( WASH ), Education, Child Protection and Advocacy, Disaster Management and Integrated Humanitarian Response



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# OUR STRATEGY MAP





## Improving Food and Nutrition Security

The integrated food Security and Nutrition programme seeks to improve food security and nutrition status of children under the age of 5 years. Specifically the programme focuses on increasing access to nutrient dense food and market-led production, increasing income and resilience of vulnerable households to address two main focal problems: chronic malnutrition and acute food shortage. Among the core models used were building secure livelihoods, savings for transformation and PD hearth. The specific approaches employed in 2019 were promoting crop and livestock production, Villages Savings and Loans Association (VSLA) and Rehabilitation of moderately malnourished children. The programme targets extremely poor households with children under the age of five, pregnant and lactating mothers. Overall 156,164 (68,827 boys and 87,337 girls) children were reached with livelihood interventions in 18 Area Programmes and 2 major grants using USD 9,014,187

### Key Achievements

	2018	2019
Farmers enabled to access agricultural inputs and assets	18,174	72,927
Farmers who were enabled to have access to agricultural extension services	257	44,102
Functional community groups focused on nutrition	217	155
Children aged 6-59 months admitted into Outpatient Therapeutic Program (OTP)	2,028	2244
Number of new Savings Groups	531	848
Number of saving groups members	32,179	34427
Vulnerable population assisted to rebuild their livelihoods after an emergency	86,306	57,616
Communities with updated disaster preparedness plans	83	282
Community members (men, women, boys, girls) accessing business development services	7,881	31,752
Number of children aged between 6 -23 months that received micronutrients powder	3,161	69,625



## Change Story



Destin, a 10 year old from a single parent family of 6 living in Rutegama dropped out of school because of his mother's inability to provide school materials. His mother who at the time relied on very small income from agriculture had to choose between putting food on the table or support him to be in school. Their light began to shine when World Vision Rutegama AP identified his mother and enrolled her as part of the 206 beneficiaries, trained on appropriate farming techniques, harvest management and given 1,600 kgs of bio-fortified beans seeds. She also joined a village savings group, being counted among the 1,805 members (533 men and 1272 women) of saving groups. The family's 2019 harvest improved, they had enough nutrient dense food for consumption and some for safe storage in the community store where other 219 households keep for future use and markets. Destin's mother was able to sell a portion of the harvest at a fair price since that variety of beans are expensive on the market and used part of the proceeds her to go back to school. In her saving group, she was able to get a small loan and now has second business of selling bananas.

Destin is thankful: "I went back to school. I am in grade 6. When I grow up I want to be a doctor"







## Improving Maternal and Child Health and WASH

The integrated Health and WASH technical programme seeks to improve the health status of children under the age of five years and women of reproductive age. The programme specifically focuses on Reducing the incidence and prevalence of common childhood diseases, utilization of maternal health services, access to protected water sources, sanitation facilities and promotion of hygiene practices.

Among the core, models used were; timed and targeted Counselling ( ttC ), integrated Community Case Management ( iCCM ) and iWASH. The specific approaches used during the reporting period include capacity strengthening of community health structures and health facilities to promote curative

and preventive health services, facilitate negotiation and dialogue visits on behaviour change to increase the demand for health services. WASH specific approaches included development of protected water sources, Construction and rehabilitation of latrines in schools and health facilities, Community led total sanitation (CLTS) and promotion of handwashing behaviour.

The programme approximately reached 655,262 children from 435,216 households with interventions in the reduction of preventable diseases in 10 Area programs located in eight health districts utilising USD 2, 678, 888

### Key achievements

	2018	2019
Children who received health checks from a trained healthcare provider	166,571	237,204
Adults given training or counselling on sexual and reproductive health (SRH)	16,820	31,778
Number of target people with access to protected drinking water source	51,102	64,800
People with access to recommended sanitation facilities	60,852	51,166
Children treated Malaria/Fever by Community Health Workers	116,693	186,642
Children at an education facility with access to basic drinking water		23,383
Patients admissions/visits to health facilities with access to a basic water supply		72,372
Children with access to basic sanitation facilities, at education facilities		9,439
Patient admissions/visits with access to basic sanitation facilities at health facilities		4,527
New users of family planning		5,630



## Change Story



Cedric is a grade 5 pupil in one of the most populated Kibimba basic education school with a total of 1200 pupils serving all the 1200 pupils. Because of few toilets, pupils face difficulties because of long queues and waiting time at any given time, some pupils coped by going to the bushes.

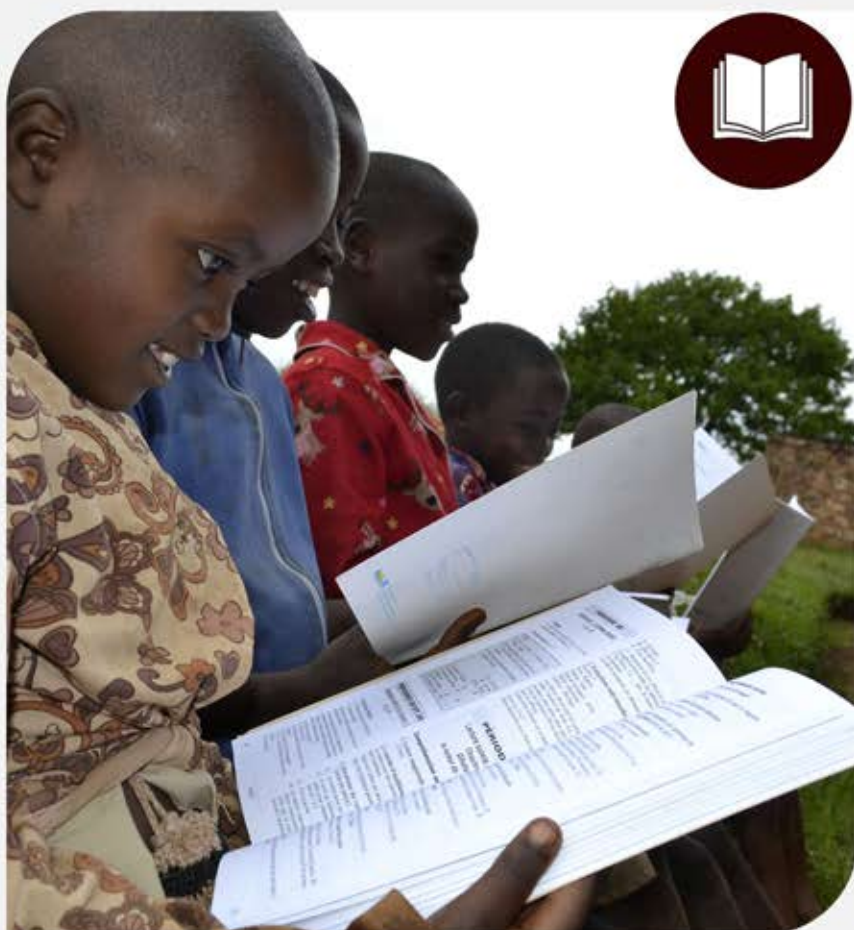
Sharing toilets made it more problematic to girls who could not struggle with the boys, therefore some preferred dropping out school, or use alternative like bushes around the school.

WVIB built up 6 additional toilets to address this issue. "I am grateful to WorldVision for the change brought to my school.

What is amazing is that after using the toilet I and my classmates can wash our hands with water", says Cedric.

Now children enjoy safe toilets, they also feel protected from infections, diseases and injuries





## Improving Quality Education and life skills

The education technical programme focuses on contributing to improved quality of education and life-skills among school going children and adolescents.

Specifically the programme seeks to improve reading and numeracy skills among primary school aged children and access to quality pre-school and primary education.

The core models used were unlock literacy and learning roots.

The specific approaches used included teacher capacity strengthening in literacy & numeracy delivery methodologies,

equipping community based volunteers to facilitate community based literacy and numeracy events, supporting the establishment functional ECD centers, advocacy and community conversations on school learning environment.

The programme targets ECD and primary school children. An overall of 99,276 (47,450 boys and 51,826 girls) children were reached with education interventions in 7 Area Programmes using USD 4,801,659.

### Key Achievements

	2018	2019
Trained teachers that are utilizing skills acquired to teach reading	570	664
Children who benefited from LB teaching methodologies in class	34,294	79,725
Established and functional reading camps	263	697
Locally relevant reading materials developed and distributed	7,893	7,986
ECD canters established or rehabilitated	102	382
Children aged 3 – 6 years attending ECD centers.	7,141	33,578
Children that participated in after school literacy activities		17,311
Proportion of trained community literacy volunteers who regularly and actively support activities that enhance learning outcomes		498



## Change story



**Anesie**, an 11 years' old girl, is a registered child (RC) from Kiganda AP whose parents did not understand the importance of education. Her community experienced high rates of school dropouts for 4 successive years, increasing from 11% (1699 children) to 19% (3261 children). Anesie was among those who had dropped out and parents were not worried about that.

WVIB organized awareness sensitizations for stakeholders on education issues. Those stakeholders organized sensitization sessions for parents and this was the opportunity for Anesie to resume as her parents were among the person reached by the sensitization sessions. Due to monitoring and follow up by the community members 41% of those who had dropped last FY (1046 children out of 2357) resumed and completed the school year.

“I liked supporting my parents to feed pig and work on farm but I wanted to go to school with my friends. I felt bad whenever I saw my friends coming back from school.

“Today, I feel proud when I am learning and I enjoy playing with my friends here at school, I feel excited when I wake up in the morning and prepare to go to school with my brother”, said Anesie







## Enhancing Child Wellbeing Monitoring, Community Engagement and Advocacy

Global and regional leaders visiting transformed families, Rutegama Ap (2019)

The community engagement and child sponsorship plans seeks to contribute to care, protection and participation of children, within their families and community. Specifically the plan focuses on transformed community's perceptions, beliefs and relationships that support children to thrive, empowering children as agents of change in their community, promoting the adoption of practices that support children care, protection and participation.

The core models utilized in key community transformational conversations included Channels of Hope (COH), Celebrating families, Citizen Voice and Action. Empowered worldview approach was integrated in all the enabling models to instill confidence, attitudes and behavior among people that affect change in the communities.

Targets	From polygamy	From Alcoholism	From beliefs in witchcraft and superstitions	From other negative beliefs and practices	Total
# of HHs transformed	1.729	323	134	16.322	18.508
# of children in the HH	6.943	1.332	424	97.616	106.315
# of children who were not at school	857	519	127	1.881	3.384
# of children who went back to school	561	449	103	1.451	2.564

- . 18,508 households of 106,315 children were transformed
- . 2,564 children out of 3,384 who have dropped out went back to school
- . 640 children participating in children clubs/forums
- . 2576 persons participating in community exchange activities on peaceful conflict resolution



## Ending Child Neglect Campaign both at national and community level

WVIB collaborated with the 1st Lady's office, top faith leaders Women Forum and Faith Network (RCBIF) to disseminate key messages against child neglect. At the grassroots level, the campaign was integrated in positive parenting through Celebrating Families, Channels of Hope and Empowered World View approaches targeting local administration, faith leaders and community group's representatives. WVIB approached various stakeholders with evidence generated through active community engagements on high child neglect, high school dropout, and early/school pregnancies to influence changes in the following policies.



Policy	Children affected
Law on prevention and deterrence of gender based violence	5,563, 934 (Isteebu Projections of under 18 children)
The establishment and operation of a helpline for child protection	5,563, 934 (Isteebu Projections of under 18 children)
Declaration of malaria epidemic	5,563, 936: Estimated population Under 18 (2017)
Hygiene and Sanitation Code	5,740,882 (2,870,092 boys, 2,870,790): Estimated under 18 children population
Adoption of health services delivery and customer care	5,740,882 (2,870,092 boys, 2,870,790): Estimated under 18 children population
Reintegration of street children	3500: Estimated total number of street children)
Waiver on late child registration-related penalties	900,000: approx. 16 % of total under 5 population
Adoption of new protocol for 1st line treatment of malaria	5829386: Est. number of under 18 children in 2019
Increase in Education budget	2,800,000: Est. number of total children in fundamental education



## Change story



**Methosel** a 12 year old, registered child lives with both parents and 4 siblings (2 brothers and 2 sisters) in Nyanziki community, GitabaAP located in Rutana province. He had dropped out of school in 2016 because his parents were unable to meet basic needs as well as support their children's education.

In 2019 WVIB through Child Protection Committee intervened and supported Methosel to go back to school and he is doing well in class.

"Other children went to school and I stayed at home. I would ask my mum to tell me the reason why I am not going to school and mum told me that she could not afford school materials for all of us. So, I'm thankful to World Vision and my parents as for the time being I have hope for a bright future", says Methosel.

"I was empty-handed; I could not afford buying school materials for my child. The only way out was to stop Methosel and his siblings going to school so that I could get for him a job since I was worried about my son's future". Therefore, only they could get some amount to procure some food for the family. Methosel's mother says

"I attended Empowered World Views' training that helped me to be aware of how I can manage the family issues using on my own, now I am no longer ignorant because I have learnt how to accord due care to children", says Methosel's mother.

The mother was supported to join a saving and loans group where she got a small loan and started a business of selling vegetables, which is enabling her to provide for family needs even when crop harvest is not sufficient.





## Disaster Management and Integrated Humanitarian Response

During FY 2019, the major challenges were related to climate change with drought in Kirundo and flooding in the Imbo plain.

WVI Burundi's response to these disasters included the distribution of various Non-Food Items (NFIs), the distribution of vegetable seeds to affected households to alleviate the food imbalance resulting from low agricultural yields, a cash transfer to enable households to meet their primary needs, and the rehabilitation of resettlement sites after the destruction of houses by floods in the Imbo plain.

WVIB has also been actively involved in discussions with the National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction on the necessary contribution of World Vision in terms of relocation of affected populations and possible resilience programmes

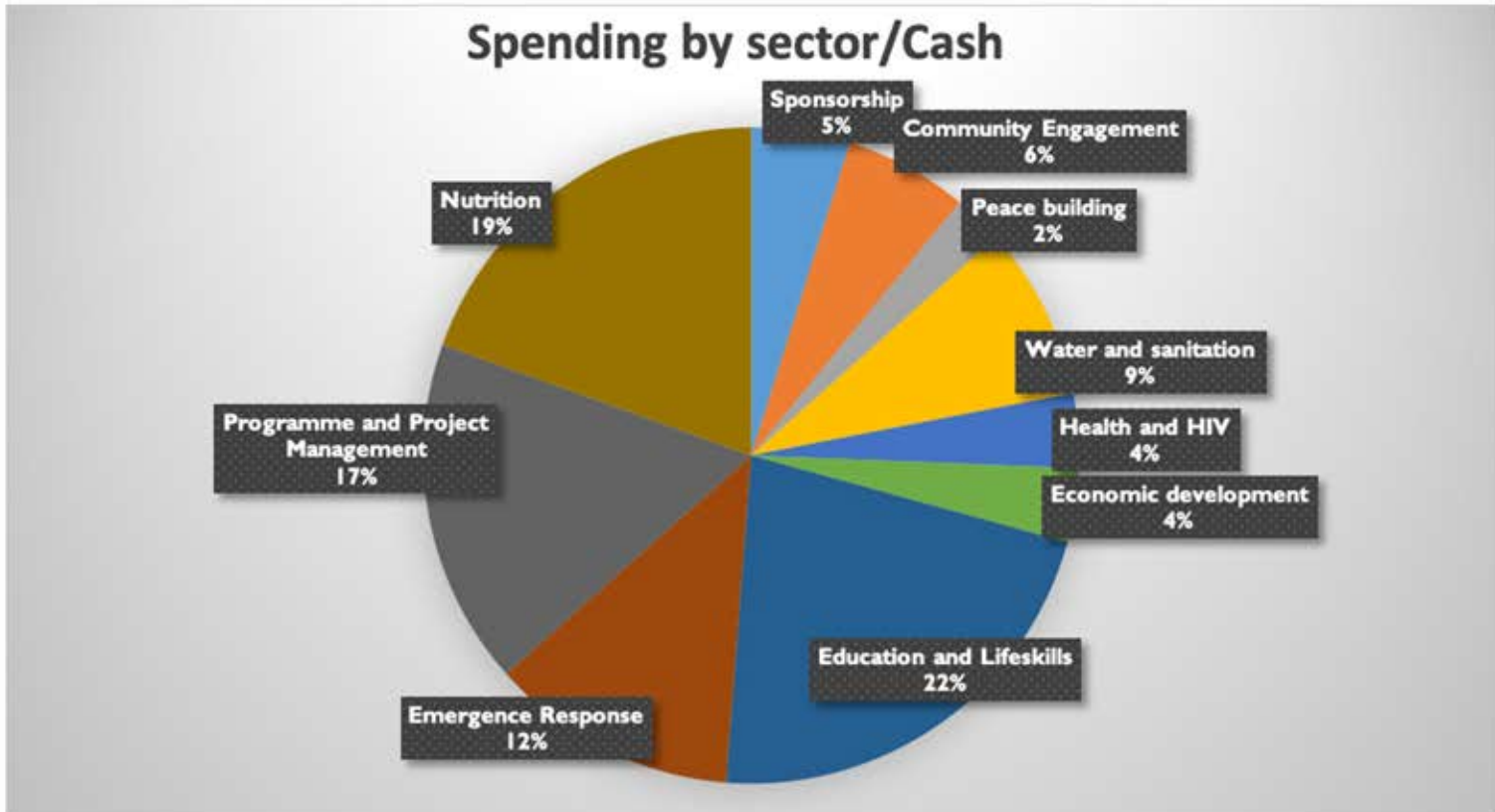
### Key achievements

- Implementation of Giragateka multipurpose cash transfer toward 185 beneficiaries with 70% returnees. A total of 21,815 was paid to 185 beneficiaries and each family did get 115 USD (34% of men and 66% of women)
- Assistance to 2350 HHs affected by drought in Kirundo through the distribution of Jerry cans and watering cans to facilitate small scale irrigation.
- Cash transfer toward 1,810 HHs affected by water stress in Busoni commune, Kirundo province. Every HH was paid 30,000 BIF to buy vegetable seeds with the objective to reduce the drought impact within HHs around Kirundo lakes surrounding
- Distribution of non-food items NFI and GIK to 206 HHs affected by flooding in Cibitoke province, Mugina commune
- World Vision assisted 101 floods victim households for advocacy and reporting on WV Burundi activities
- Non-food items (NFIs) assistance to 101 HHs, WASH kit for 156 HHS and pots for children under five in Winterekwa IDP site.
- Assistance made of non-food items (NFI) to 395 families affected by floods in Mubone and Buterere zones in Bujumbura Mairie.

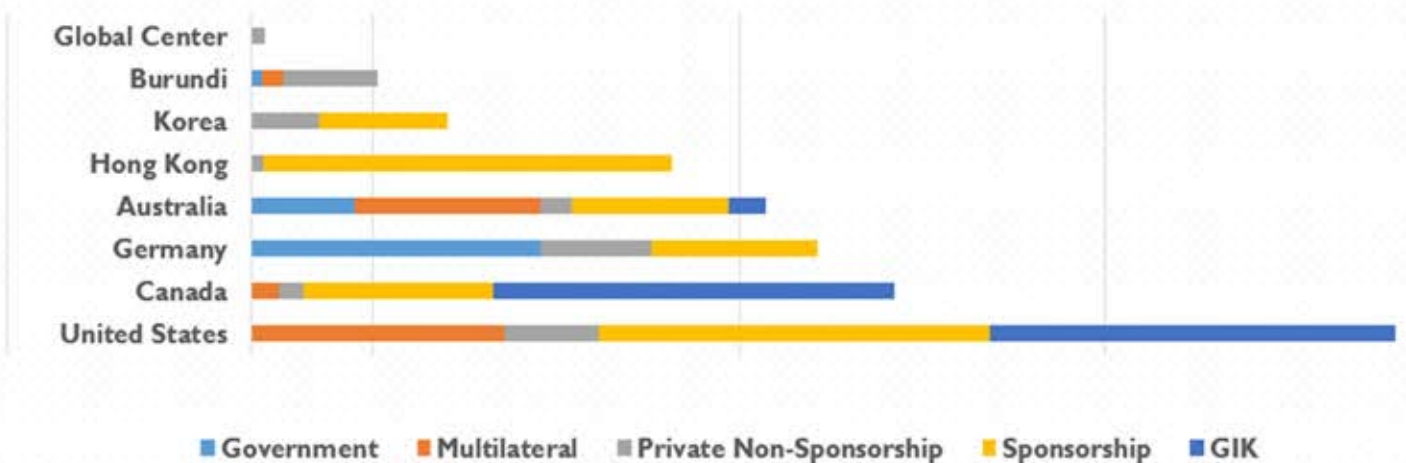


## Financial profile

Spending by sector / cash



## Funding by Support Offices in FY2019 - US\$ 29,717,914





## Partnerships for Impact

Our special thanks to different partners listed that enabled us to reach more vulnerable children in Burundi. Your support was of great value during fiscal year 2019:

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