

Child Well-being Aspirations and Outcomes

World Vision focuses on improving children’s well-being through child-focused transformational development, disaster management, and promotion of justice. The Child Well-being Aspirations and Outcomes provide a practical definition of World Vision’s understanding of well-being for children.

Our goal is “*the sustained well-being of children within families and communities, especially the most vulnerable.*” World Vision views the well-being of children in holistic terms: healthy individual development (involving physical and mental health, social and spiritual dimensions), positive relationships and a context that provides safety, social justice, and participation in civil society.

The Child Well-being Aspirations and Outcomes are intended as a catalyst for dialogue, discussion and visioning as World Vision partners with children, parents, community partners, churches, governments and other organisations. World Vision does not proselytise nor do we impose our understanding on others. These aspirations and outcomes reinforce each other and enable an integrated, holistic approach to ministry. While our active contribution to specific outcomes varies from context to context, our definition of “well-being” remains holistic.

Goal	Sustained well-being of children within families and communities, especially the most vulnerable			
Aspirations	Girls & Boys:			
	Enjoy good health	Are educated for life	Experience love of God and their neighbours	Are cared for, protected and participating
Outcomes	Children are well nourished	Children read, write, and use numeracy skills	Children grow in their awareness and experience of God’s love in an environment that recognises their freedom	Children cared for in a loving, safe, family and community environment with safe places to play
	Children protected from infection, disease, and injury	Children make good judgments, can protect themselves, manage emotions, and communicate ideas	Children enjoy positive relationships with peers, family, and community members	Parents or caregivers provide well for their children
	Children and their caregivers access essential health services	Adolescents ready for economic opportunity	Children value and care for others and their environment	Children celebrated and registered at birth
		Children access and complete basic education	Children have hope and vision for the future	Children are respected participants in decisions that affect their lives
Foundational Principles	Children are citizens and their rights and dignity are upheld (including girls and boys of all religions and ethnicities, any HIV status, and those with disabilities)			

World Vision is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. Motivated by our Christian faith, World Vision is dedicated to working with the world’s most vulnerable people. World Vision serves all people regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.