This annual report provides an overview of the work done by World Vision Iraq (WVI) from October 2017 to September 2018.

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The situation in Iraq has been one of change in 2018 as it moved into a post-conflict setting following the retaking of areas from ISIL control. As the number of people returning to their areas of origin increased (over 900,000 during the year), World Vision enlarged its areas of response to reach the people in need. World Vision has spent the year in transition as well – working to address the shifting needs required to support the most vulnerable children, their families, and their communities.

In January of this year, we completed registration with the government of Iraq in order to expand our response into areas outside of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KRI) where we have been operating since 2014. Along with this registration came an updated mandate from the World Vision Board of Directors and a subsequent separation from the Syrian Crisis Response to operate as a standalone Category III Global Response, enabling our work in Iraq to meet the growing needs of those returning.

In this report you will see the details of World Vision’s work throughout 2018 to reach vulnerable families through relief and recovery efforts in WASH, health, education and protection, food security, and livelihoods, all aimed at relieving their suffering and improving their quality of life. As part of our approach (and in line with our core values), we continue to hire and build the capacity of local staff, as well as partnering with local NGOs, especially as we expand our work in Ninewa.

We are thankful for our many internal and external partners that have supported our work throughout this year and continue to stand by us in our commitment to families who have been affected by years of conflict. With 6.8 million people still in need and continued tensions in both the country and the region, our work in Iraq (as one of World Vision’s top 10 ranked fragile context offices), will continue to need your support for years to come.

We look ahead to next year with renewed passion as we plan for further expansion to meet the needs of the most vulnerable children, their families and their communities. We are committed to facing the challenges of rebuilding their lives, whether they be IDP returnees, remainees, refugees or host communities. Our vision and hope remain the same: that every child may experience life in all its fullness.

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IRAQ
Karbala
Al Hillah
Al Kut
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Al Amarah
Ash Shatrah
As Samawah
An Nasiriyah
Basra
Az Aubayr
An Najaf
Ar Rutbah
SYRIA
TURKEY
IRAN
KUWAIT
SAUDI ARABIA
Ninewa

Who we are

WORLD VISION has been working in Iraq since 2014 among Syrian refugees, internally displaced people (IDPs), host communities and, most recently, among returnees and remainees. Working in Erbil, Sulaymaniyah, Duhok, Ninewa and Kirkuk, World Vision Iraq has reached 978,362 people in 2018 with a funding portfolio of over US$17 million.

Responding to the needs and the changing context in Iraq, World Vision Iraq provides short-term emergency relief and medium-term recovery assistance to the most vulnerable children, women and men to help alleviate their suffering and rebuild their lives through interventions in WASH, health, food assistance (through cash-based programming), education and protection, and livelihoods. Integrated into each of these sectors are 3 cross-cutting themes: gender, social harmony and faith in development. World Vision builds on local and global capacity with evidence-based, proven approaches to maintain its technical expertise in order to effectively assist children, their families and communities.

2018 at a glance

Our staff
157 national staff
351 casual staff
106 volunteers
12 international staff

978,362 individuals directly benefited from our work.

32 projects

ll funding partners

Where we work

Key
- Food security
- Health
- Education
- Livelihoods
- Protection
- WASH
Khana was filled with joy as she received livelihood support in Dashqatan village through the VSG WISE project. The project provided trainings, transfers of sheep, bees, chickens and wheat, and follow up veterinary checks to provide vulnerable families with sources of income.
World Vision’s food programme, one of the largest World Food Programme (WFP) partners in Iraq, has two distribution modalities: In-kind and Cash, covering both Iraqi IDPs and Syrian refugees. Cash is distributed through three transfer mechanisms: Mobile Money Transfer (MMT), Money Transfer Agency (MTA) and E-vouchers. Every month World Vision provides over 260,000 people with food assistance in 33 camps in Erbil, Duhok, and Sulaymaniyah.

World Vision’s accountability system in its food programme is internationally recognised as an industry standard for best practice with highly developed implementation and complaints response mechanisms. The WFP relationship is also strengthened by World Vision’s ability to leverage the global partnership with resources, systems and technical expertise.

After families in Domiz Refugee Camp receive their monthly ration, they can spend it at shops specially contracted and monitored by World Vision on whatever food items fit their needs.
With over 30 years of global technical leadership and practical experience in the education and protection sectors, World Vision Iraq has worked in several capacities since 2014 to fulfill the rights of children and adolescents to protection and education within their families and communities, especially the most vulnerable affected by conflict and displacement. World Vision has empowered children and communities to promote learning and create protective environments through child protection case management and structured and non-structured psychosocial support programmes in Child-Friendly Spaces. In addition, World Vision has improved access to safe learning spaces for displaced children who have missed years of education through establishing catch-up classes and rehabilitating destroyed classrooms and WASH facilities in line with gender-sensitive and disability-inclusive standards. Teachers’ capacity has been built to support children through conflict-sensitive teaching approaches and psychosocial support. World Vision also contributed to the Humanitarian Response Plan through its active engagement in the child protection and education clusters and a technical working group.
World Vision’s water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) approach is through direct intervention, advocacy and partnership, with a focus on ensuring children and families have access to safe, equitable and sustainable clean water, dignified sanitation, and appropriate hygiene behaviours. World Vision implements an integrated, community-based WASH project model. It specialises in sustainable water supply systems in the humanitarian contexts to support the resilience of vulnerable communities in Iraq.

This year, water supply systems were rehabilitated in Duhok (Zakho, Khrabdeem, and Semel) and Ninewa (Hamdaniya). Three water supply systems were constructed in Khabat, Erbil. World Vision complemented these services with hygiene promotion and initiatives focusing on increased awareness and action towards water conservation. WASH services were also provided in emergency settings through provision of safe water, maintenance of sanitation facilities, solid waste management and hygiene promotion services in Hassansham L2 IDP camp in Hamdaniya, Ninewa.

World Vision promoted inclusive WASH by ensuring that adequate ratios of appropriate latrines were provided for persons living with disability, women, and children. Community empowerment was achieved through participatory engagement of focus groups and facilitating linkages with duty bearers and service providers. To provide education to children on water, sanitation, and hygiene, World Vision partnered with Sesame Street to design the WASH Up! Programme. Implemented in schools in Erbil, Duhok, Kirkuk, and Ninewa, the programme focuses on improvement in WASH improvement of knowledge, attitudes, and behaviours in WASH among children and motivating them to teach friends and families about staying healthy.

412,000 IDPs, refugees and host community members have improved access to safe water
40,000 families reached with community-wide water conservation and sensitization campaigns in Duhok
13,070 children had access to basic sanitation facilities through provision of gender specific latrines stalls in schools
5,821 individuals had improved access to WASH services in emergency settings -IDP camps
1,831 children learned important WASH lessons from Elmo & Raya in the WASH Up! programme
40,000 families reached with community-wide water conservation and sensitization campaigns in Duhok

Rawan teaches her friends to stay healthy with proper handwashing techniques she learned from World Vision hygiene promoters.
Health

48,500 Beneficiaries

World Vision’s main health intervention in Iraq is Primary Health Care (PHC) which mainly targets IDPs in Sulaymaniyah and Kirkuk, both in and out of camps. World Vision provides free comprehensive PHC services using both the static and mobile clinic modalities, and records approximately 100,000 consultations annually. The PHC centres are further integrated with Women and Young Child Spaces which provide a safe space for breastfeeding as well as family-centred health, hygiene, protection awareness raising, sexual and gender-based violence identification, and protection case management.

The PHC is comprised of health education, maternal and neonatal health, reproductive health, along with accessible treatment and drug provision. In addition to comprehensive PHC services, World Vision is responding to mental health needs in Iraq by increasing access to both specialised and non-specialised services in Mosul City, Sulaymaniyah and Kirkuk governorates through Problem Management Plus, Mental Health Gap Action Programme, and Psychological First Aid, both through individual and group therapy sessions.

World Vision’s mobile medical clinic attended to patients in Darbandikhan following the collapse of the hospital during the earthquake on the Iran border.
Livelihoods

1,642 Beneficiaries

World Vision’s livelihoods interventions are designed to address the root causes of food and livelihoods insecurity, promoting self-reliance of vulnerable people at critical times of their lives. Through careful analysis of the market system, projects combine quick wins for short-term impact concurrently with systemic change for long-term sustainability to improve business and technical skills that enhance productivity. Activities focus on assisting crisis-affected communities through income generation opportunities, value chain development, technical skills training, life skills coaching and the introduction of key sustainable farming practices to enhance economic livelihood competencies among both urban and rural population.

Through the EU MADAD funded Youth RESOLVE programme, World Vision is providing marketable and life skills coaching, vocational training, apprenticeship placement and support services for women and youth. The programme works toward engendering the labour force with improved skills that meet the expectations of the private sector with open and full diversity inclusiveness to create greater community cohesion.

571 farmers received support in marketing to factories

186 youth received vocational training to assist them in securing employment

118 youth participated in apprenticeships with local local businesses

198 farmers received agricultural training on olives, corn, potato, wheat and pomegranates

111 IDPs and Refugees trained in permaculture

Youth in Sharia Camp participate in SKYE clubs to develop employability skills through the MADAD funded Youth RESOLVE programme.
Financial summary 2018

2018 Budget Allocation

- Livelihoods: 12%
- Child Protection: 18%
- Education: 17%
- Food Security: 13%
- WASH: 14%
- Health/MHPSS: 24%

Total FY18 expenditure: US$17,286,312

2018 Donors and Partners

- EU
- GIZ
- GOG
- JPF
- MOFA
- OCHA
- OFDA
- PRM
- UNESCO
- WFP
- WV
- VSG
- WV

Donors & Partners

- EU: European Union
- GIZ: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
- GOG: Government of Germany
- JPF: Japan Platform
- MOFA: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands
- OCHA: United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
- OFDA: Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance
- PRM: Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration - U.S. Department of State
- UNESCO: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- WFP: World Food Programme
- VSG: Private donor funding

World Vision Support Offices

- United States of America
- Canada
- Germany
- Netherlands
- Australia
- Hong Kong
- Taiwan
- Japan
- Finland

Partners

- Jiyan Foundation for Human Rights
- Voice of Older People & Family (VOP)
- Bakhida organization for youth empowerment
- Peace and Freedom Organization in Kurdistan (PFOK)
- Al-Ghad League for Women and Child Care
- Wchan Organization for Human Rights Violations

Notes:

1 Total includes Multi Cluster Needs Assessments
2 Includes Economic Development projects
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