World Vision is an international child-focused and community-based organisation, dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice.

World Vision works in more than 200 communities of Armenia through 14 Area Programmes implemented in six marzes and in capital city Yerevan. Areas currently covered by World Vision Armenia are: Amasia, Gyumri, Stepanavan, Alaverdi, Vardenis, Gavar, Tchambarak, Ijevan, Noyemberyan, Kapan, Sisian, Talin, Aparan and Yerevan. World Vision Armenia also implements grant projects from the European Union and the USAID, with significantly wider geographic coverage.

**IMPACT:** In 2018, 128,265 children in Armenia benefitted from World Vision’s programmes, 35,000 of these children are registered in World Vision’s ‘Child Sponsorship’ programme.
World Vision Armenia focuses on early child development to support the healthy growth and development of children under 5

- World Vision closely worked with 880 healthcare providers and 545 kindergarten nurses to improve the quality of services in communities.

- Eight new films on healthy pregnancy, motherhood and child health, care and development were produced and publicised.

- 80 parental/motherhood schools host more than 8300 parents who learn to better care for their children through learning sessions, discussions and ongoing guidance from healthcare providers.

- Postnatal depression screening was introduced with World Vision’ specialists developing screening and management tools and training 30 family doctors and 113 nurses in the communities.

**IMPACT:** 78 per cent of postnatal period women are being screened in World Vision’s programme communities. 2.7 per cent of screened women were identified with signs of severe depression and were referred to specialists.
World Vision Armenia seeks to empower children, families, communities and partners to prevent and respond to exploitation, neglect, abuse and other forms of violence affecting children, with a particular focus on the most vulnerable.

- Throughout the year 21,417 children actively participated in World Vision’s Child Protection and Education initiatives.
- More parents and caregivers started using non-violent disciplinary methods; 10 per cent less applied either physiological or physical punishment.

**IMPACT:** 59 per cent of the highly vulnerable families (1050 families) supported by World Vision recorded positive changes in their lives; improving families’ housing conditions, providing for children’s healthy food, educational needs and health.
“Caring for Equality” project seeks to change attitudes and prevent behavior that is harmful to women and girls. It seeks an environment where girls and boys are born and valued equally.

- Project decreased gender discriminatory attitudes: 25 per cent less among project participants.
- Project decreased indifference towards witnessing violence: 12 per cent less among project participants.
- A positive change of 15 per cent in inequitable gender relationships at home is recorded among couples.

**IMPACT:** Positive change is recorded on male to female ratio for children under 1 in project-affected communities from **121 boys/100 girls** to **106 boys/100 girls**; in Gegharkunik Marz with a change from **123 boys/100 girls**.
World Vision Armenia seeks to establish an environment and effective platforms where youth may exercise authentic participation and pursue their own visions, dreams, hopes, and concerns pertaining to development and overall well-being.

- **80** IMPACT and SKYE youth clubs involve **1500 youth and adolescent** who gain new skills and help their communities.
- **40 Engineering labs** currently involve around **1000 children** from disadvantaged communities of the country.
- **500 children participated in professional orientation training** to choose profession in demand in the local job market.
- **25 new social enterprises** were established by youth; **250 youngsters** participated in entrepreneurship training.

**IMPACT:** 150 young professionals started earning their living on their own after participating in vocational training and gaining an in-demand profession.
The project, funded by the European Union, seeks to contribute to the (self)-employability of young women and men with fewer opportunities in Armenia and Georgia.

- **An innovative e-learning platform** was established where youth can access to a number of online courses free of charge and in Armenian language.

- **Four agrarian VET curricula** was developed in compliance with Work Based Learning approach while career-coaching programme was introduced in four VET institutions along with equipped facilities.

- **Training on Entrepreneurship** was organized for 100 youth; five best business proposals received funding.

- Seven SKYE clubs were established with engagement of around 150 youth.
The number of children, benefiting from World Vision Armenia programmes.
World Vision Armenia seeks to empower the community producers to have sustained increase in their income or business profit that improves their ability to provide well for their children.

☑ 73 producers’ group with 762 members were established in 70 communities of Armenia.

☑ 20 out of 73 producers’ groups have formalized their relations turning into a legally formed producers’ group or a cooperative thus becoming eligible for grants and support from donor community.

☑ 70 training sessions and exchange visits were organised for 645 producers to increase their capacity.

☑ Today, the project beneficiaries have network of over 55 sustainable buyers and input suppliers.

IMPACT: Around 70 per cent of producers are able to provide well for their children; they pay for school supply, clothes and better feed their children. Producers run their businesses, have their own income and don’t depend on allowances or external support.
In 2018, World Vision started "EU4Tourism: Community-driven rural tourism and cultural activities in Gegharkunik and Vayots Dzor marzess" two-year project, funded by European Union, to contribute to the promotion of tourism and culture in Gegharkunik and Vayots Dzor marzess. The project is implemented together with the Foundation for the Preservation of Wildlife and Cultural Assets.

- Winter Fair Fest was organised in Tchambarak and the SunChild 8th International Environmental Festival was organised in the most pristine corners of Vayots Dzor - Vardahovit (Rose Valley) for 40 agro producers and local entrepreneurs to exhibit and sell their products.

- A new hiking trail was built to connect 15 villages in Tchambarak area and five villages in Vayots-Dzor marz.

- Learning opportunities were created for 108 individuals and businesses involved in tourism.

- Tourism information centre was established in Tchambarak.
To contribute to prevention and elimination of violence against children and comprehensive rehabilitation of a child exposed to violence, in September of 2018 World Vision Armenia, UN Children’s Fund Armenia, Save the Children International Armenia Country Office, SOS Children’s Villages Armenia, Children of Armenia Fund, Civil Society Institute, Child Protection Network, Family and Community NGO, Children’s Support Center of Fund for Armenian Relief and the Staff of Human Rights Defender, launched the “Share love not violence” five-year public campaign.

☑️ On the International Children’s Day the campaign partners disseminated information materials on bullying, and ways of combating. A special concert was also organised to educate the young audience on their rights.

☑️ 472 parents and 133 teachers from 200 communities participated on training about positive parenting and disciplining.

☑️ With funding from the INSPIRE Fund the campaign partners will be adapting, translating and putting in practice the INSPIRE strategies as a tool to support Armenia’s Government to prevent and respond to violence against children.
In 2018, World Vision in Armenia started ‘Community Level Access to Social Services’ three-year project funded by USAID to strengthen Armenia’s social protection system through effective community-based social work and to improve the lives of most vulnerable children and their families in ten marzes (60 communities) and in Yerevan.

- Job Descriptions, vocabulary, methodology and guidelines developed for community social workers.
- Online Learning Course was developed enrolling 19 social workers at Yerevan State University.
- 73 community social workers were hired.
- 159 individual development plans were supported and 1685 households received social assistance via community social workers.
13% of children from extremely poor families in Armenia do not have school supplies. And, 45% of them have NO shoes. Text 77 as **SMS** to short number **7733** and help them have:

☑ Essential school supplies,

☑ Warm clothes and shoes.

*One SMS costs 500 AMD*
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