Situation Overview
Since the first case of coronavirus was registered in Senegal on 2 March, the number of confirmed cases has increased to 2,617, including 30 deaths as of May 19. In order to limit the spread of disease, the government has taken a number of actions, including cancellation of public events, lockdown of ports, closure of schools, universities, nurseries, churches and mosques, and suspension of all international flights to and from Senegal airports. These restrictions, in line with expert recommendations, will have serious repercussions on the economy and the ability of vulnerable families to meet their basic needs. Though the country, including World Vision, has in recent years responded to cholera and Ebola outbreaks, the WHO considers Senegal to have less than 70% of the capacity required to prepare for and respond to COVID-19.

Response Activities
• Contributed to the design of Senegal’s National COVID-19 response along with the MoH, WHO and USAID/CDC
• World Vision Senegal is an active member of national coordination in the fight against COVID-19 and a regular participant in daily Centre des Opérations d’Urgence Sanitaire (COUS) meetings
• World Vision was among the first NGOs to support the Ministry of Health response plan with the provision of hygiene materials and personal protective equipment
• World Vision is working with faith leaders and faith communities to prevent COVID-19 transmission, reduce stigma and manage cases safely.

Key Messages
Providing essential health services at community level to those most at risk, including urban poor, is essential to limit the spread of COVID-19
Secondary impacts of the crisis are likely to be devastating. We urge the world to unite to provide support to vulnerable children and their families, including providing immediate assistance to meet basic needs and rebuild livelihoods.
Child protection and mental health and psychosocial support is critical for vulnerable children, who are at increased risk of violence, trauma, exploitation and abuse as a result of COVID-19.

Latest COVID-19 Statistics
Confirmed cases 2,617
Deaths 30
*as of 19 May, source: Johns Hopkins

People Reached*
People 160,000
Men 36,007
Women 39,244
Children 84,749
Boys 43,014
Girls 41,735

Funding
Confirmed Funding $2M
Funding Gap $5.4M

DONORS AND PARTNERS

*The previous situation report dated 23 April 2020 showed a people reach of 350,000, which included direct and indirect beneficiaries. From this edition going forward, we will only be reporting on direct beneficiary reach.
OBJECTIVE 1: Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of disease

- **350,000** People reached through promotion of preventive behaviours
- **825** Community-level public handwashing stations established or maintained
- **18,150** Handwashing supplies distributed
- **4,206** Cleaning kits distributed to vulnerable communities
- **75,618** Information, education, communication (IEC) materials printed & distributed
- **905** Faith leaders disseminating preventive measures for COVID-19

Other highlights:

- Organized and helped to run eleven (11) interactive radio programs on COVID-19 involving “Badjenu Gox” and community health workers from the health districts of Oussouye (radio Kabissen FM), Ziguinchor (Groupe Media Sud or GMS) and Bignona (FM radio Awagna).
- Along with other partners, supported “daaras” from Tambacounda and Velingara through joint distribution of 300 tippy taps (Tambacounda) and 6,714 soaps and 30 handwashing devices (Velingara)

OBJECTIVE 2: Strengthen health systems and workers

- **3,212** Community health workers trained and supported
- **460** Health facilities assisted
- **13,200** Disinfectant kits distributed to health facilities
- **17,905** Face masks distributed
- **16,867** Glove sets distributed
- **83** People supported with the securing of safe quarantine and/or isolation spaces

Other highlights:

- Trained 202 health providers (nurse and midwives) from the Tambacounda, Niakar, and Nioro health districts, 135 CVACi members from the Makacolibatang health district (southern Senegal), 195 community actors from the Fatick health district and 101 community actors from the Bignona health district on the COVID-19 response procedure manual, and the community engagement guide produced by World Vision in partnership with MoH, USAID and UNICEF.
- Provided financial support provided for the follow-up of 83 contact cases in the districts of Ziguinchor, Oussouye, Diouloulou and Velingara.

Response Goal: To limit the spread of COVID-19 and reduce its impact on vulnerable children and families
OBJECTIVE 3: Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through education, child protection, food security, and livelihoods

- **160,600** People reached with information, education, and communication psychosocial support materials
- **1,497** Children reached with targeted, age-specific health education
- **1,159** People reached with food security assistance
- **280** Frontline actors reached or trained on child protection programming
- **2,419** Children supported with child protection programming

**Highlights:**
- Provided technical support to the Cellule de Malnutrition (CLM) and Ministry of Education project targeting 1,159 street children from Kolda through the distribution of food stamps

**Upcoming plans and initiatives**

World Vision Senegal will continue to support the development of communications in order to inform and engage communities and promote behaviour change. World Vision will also continue to engage religious and traditional leaders, Badjenou Gox ("neighbourhood grandmothers") and Comité de Veille d’Alerte Communautaire Intégrée members to fight miscommunication and promote good hygiene practices and adequate case management. World Vision will continue to train community health workers using newly developed guidance and support health workers, both formal and informal, with personal protective equipment. World Vision is also exploring a range of funding opportunities in order to implement market based solutions to support livelihoods and food security, provide mental health and psychosocial support to affected children and caregivers, and support ongoing learning and education for children.

OBJECTIVE 4: Collaborate and advocate to ensure vulnerable children are protected

**Highlights:**
- Launched a joint policy paper with the Joining Forces coalition and the National Group for Child Protection calling on the government, UN agencies and the civil society organisations to take concrete action for the protection of child rights during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Continues to coordinate efforts with the NGO Development Support Council (CONGAD), the Association of International NGOs in Senegal and the European NGO platform in Senegal to leverage our collective strength and avoid duplications in our responses to COVID-19.