World Vision is responding to the devastating impact of COVID-19 in more than 70 countries.

Our US$350 million response aims to reach 72 million people, including 36 million children, especially the most vulnerable.

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**People Reached**

35,683,838

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<td><strong>Men</strong></td>
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**Children**

14,537,273

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Global COVID-19 Cases: 8,223,454
Global Deaths: 444,813
(as of 18 June 2020, WHO)

* responding includes field programming and/or fundraising

**Key Concerns**

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### Asia Pacific Region

**Overview**
Several countries in the Asia Pacific region are seeing a spike in the number of COVID-19 cases, especially India, Bangladesh and Indonesia. Some countries in the region have also recently responded to Cyclone Harold and Cyclone Amphan along with the COVID-19 response, during the past months. All World Vision offices in the region are also preparing for any emergency during the upcoming wet season.

**Highlights**

- In the Philippines, World Vision trained 110 church partners and faith leaders through a webinar on how to ensure children’s safety and protection during COVID-19.
- In Bangladesh, Child Forum leaders initiated six Facebook Live dialogues engaging specialist doctors, high level government officials and celebrities to educate and encourage over 13,000 children who are facing challenges during lockdown.

### Latin America and Caribbean Region

**Overview**
Latin America is experiencing an extremely complex situation as COVID-19 cases are rising sharply. Brazil and Peru together represent 13% of the cases world-wide, with Mexico, Chile, Guatemala, Nicaragua and Haiti also on high alert. With hurricane season approaching, the risks for highly vulnerable populations are intensified given the already stressed emergency and healthcare systems.

**Highlights**

- World Vision has leveraged its deep community presence and the mobilisation of over 26,000 faith leaders to limit the spread of disease across Latin America and the Caribbean.

- World Vision launched a study that delves into the harsh reality of children, adolescents and young migrants and refugees from Venezuela who are caught up in the economic and political crisis now made worse by the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Middle East and Eastern Europe Region

**Overview**
While some countries are easing restrictions, such as Albania, Jordan, and Georgia, the situation is deteriorating in other areas. Iraq has gone back into lockdown after a period of relatively lighter regulations. Armenia is witnessing an alarming rise in cases, stretching the healthcare system beyond its capacity, and the situation continues to be critical in Afghanistan and Syria with limited testing and healthcare capacity of local systems.

**Highlights**

- In Afghanistan, World Vision partnered with the WHO and Ministry of Haji and Religious Affairs to conduct training with 60 faith leaders, who passed on prevention messaging to 1,300 people.

- In Syria, World Vision’s WASHUP! programme reached 1,600 children through sharing COVID-19 prevention messages using SMS and WhatsApp texts.

### Africa Region

**Overview**
As countries across Africa begin to relax confinement measures, World Vision is concerned by the increasing risk of wider transmission and is appealing for the intensification of prevention measures and support health systems, mass testing and surveillance. World Vision is also concerned about reports of increased gender-based violence and violence against children.

**Highlights**

- In Somalia, working in collaboration with the Ministries of Women, Information and Health, COVID-19 sensitisation and awareness messaging continued to be disseminated through radio and television spots reaching 40,000 people.

- In South Sudan, World Vision reached over 1.4 million people with a COVID-19 awareness campaign, working in collaboration with various partners, including 420 faith leaders.
OBJECTIVE 1: Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of COVID-19

- **20,015,980**: People reached through promotion of preventive behaviours
- **3,162,994**: Information, education, and communication materials printed and distributed
- **4,133,513**: Community members provided with preventive materials
- **1,636,491**: Handwashing supplies distributed
- **1,008,388**: Comprehensive hygiene kits distributed
- **88,895**: Cleaning kits distributed to vulnerable communities
- **68,204**: Community-level public handwashing stations established or maintained
- **28,883**: Water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities constructed or rehabilitated
- **79,332**: Faith leaders disseminating preventive measures

(Based on figures from 70 countries, as of 15 June 2020)

OBJECTIVE 2: Strengthen health systems and workers

- **71,047**: Community health workers trained and supported
- **162,641**: Medical personnel provided with personal protective equipment (PPE)
- **4,025,785**: Masks distributed, including to health facilities, health workers and communities
- **3,159,438**: Glove sets distributed, including to health facilities, health workers and communities
- **8,542**: Medical facilities assisted
- **294,396**: Disinfectant kits distributed to health care facilities
- **73,786**: People supported with the securing of safe quarantine and/or isolation spaces
- **412**: Quarantine and isolation spaces supported, rehabilitated or set-up
- **6,220**: People provided with transportation support

(Based on figures from 70 countries, as of 15 June 2020)
OBJECTIVE 3: Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through child protection, education, food security, and livelihoods

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

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Humanitarian Accountability

A key focus for World Vision’s COVID-19 response is to provide information, consult people on their needs and how they want to participate in their own self-recovery, and take action based on the feedback and complaints we hear from people so that we remain accountable to the children and communities that we serve. Here are the top trends of what communities are telling us this month:

- Communities are requesting support to cope with the economic impacts of COVID-19
- Communities want to ensure vulnerable groups are included in aid distributions
- Communities want clear health messaging, and increased access to personal protective equipment (PPE) and water to be able to enact the preventive health messages

We listen to communities and respond

Communities in the Central African Republic (CAR) are demanding the installation of handwashing stations in all public places. In response, World Vision CAR negotiated with some of its donors to make readjustments in the budgets but at the same time sought new funding to meet these requests.

In Iraq, many project beneficiaries reported they don’t have access to internet and/or smart phones to attend online livelihood trainings due to mass gatherings restrictions. In response, World Vision Iraq is working to provide internet and smartphones to these beneficiaries.

We would like to thank our generous donors, partners, and supporters including:

Resources & Publications

Reports
- COVID-19 Aftershocks: Secondary impacts threaten more children’s lives than disease itself
- COVID-19 Aftershocks: A Perfect Storm
- Children’s voices in times of COVID-19
- Migration and COVID-19: Venezuelan children between a rock and a hard place

Policy Briefs
- COVID-19 & Child Protection in Fragile and Humanitarian Contexts
- COVID-19 & Risks to Children’s Health and Nutrition
- COVID-19 & Disruptions to Education

Global Response Plan
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