



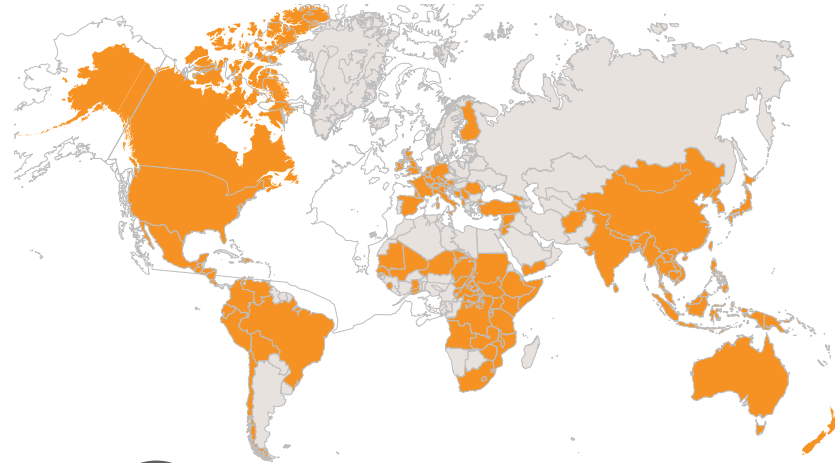
COVID-19 Emergency Response

World Vision

Situation Report #12 | 18 June 2020

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.



Global COVID-19 Cases: 8,223,454

Global Deaths: 444,813

(as of 18 June 2020, WHO)

** responding includes field programming and/or fundraising*



RESPONSE GOAL

To limit the spread of COVID-19 and reduce its impact on vulnerable children and families

Strategic Objectives



1: Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of COVID-19



2: Strengthen health systems and workers



3: Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through child protection, education, food security, and livelihoods



4: Collaborate and advocate to ensure vulnerable children are protected

People Reached

35,683,838[^]



Men 10,067,292



Women 11,079,273



Children 14,537,273

Boys 7,147,007

Girls 7,390,266

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

Key Concerns



We urge the world to stand together with the most vulnerable children to fight COVID-19, especially refugees and the internally displaced.



Devastating aftershocks of the crisis are putting at least 30 million children's lives at risk with 85 million more children likely to experience violence. We urgently need to address both the direct health impacts of the virus and the secondary shocks brought about by viral containment measures.



Joining hands with faith leaders is critical to strengthen preparedness, behaviour change and protecting children.

Our Reach



World Vision works directly with tens of millions of people in thousands of villages and urban communities around the world. Our grassroots connections include massive networks of faith leaders, community health workers, saving groups and children's clubs and village and district-level government bodies. These connections are being mobilised to curb the spread and impact of COVID-19.



Our global reach includes working in collaboration with our generous supporters, government authorities, academic institutions, and the UN.

[^]This figure has been revised due to a correction in counting methodology. This was previously reported as over 36 million



Regional Highlights



Latin America and Caribbean Region



People Reached **6,466,533**



Children Reached **2,595,603**

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



People Reached **646,462**



Children Reached **303,839**

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.



Asia Pacific Region



People Reached **7,726,539**



Children Reached **3,699,171**

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.



Africa Region



People Reached **26,069,244**



Children Reached **10,602,666**

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

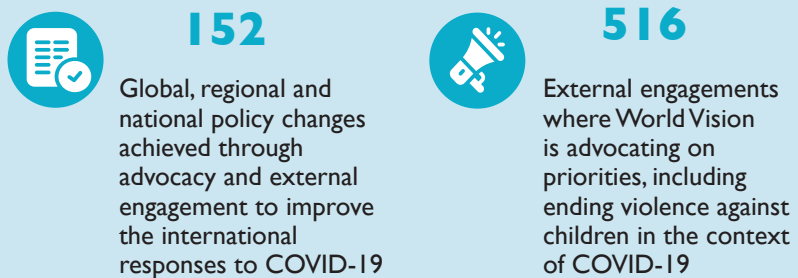
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OBJECTIVE 3: Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through child protection, education, food security, and livelihoods



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

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



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HIGHLIGHTS

- In Ecuador, World Vision conducted three Facebook live events on child protection issues in the context of human mobility during the COVID-19 pandemic that were attended by over 10,000 people.
- World Vision in Lebanon influenced the Ministry of the Displaced to adapt five recommendations on economic and education incentives for people living in rural areas and facing the pandemic.
- World Vision co-led two significant side events on Child Protection and Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support, as well as participated in five high level events and eleven side events at this year's UN ECOSOC Humanitarian Affairs Segment (HAS).
- On behalf of child focused agencies, World Vision submitted a thematic paper to UNICEF on High Level Political Forum themes that will be discussed in the upcoming meeting of the Group of Friends on Children and SDGs.
- World Vision co-facilitated a webinar on maternal nutrition and COVID-19 with WFP, UNICEF, and TechRRT through the Global Nutrition Cluster.

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.

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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

[World Vision's COVID-19 Emergency Response Plan Phase 2](#)

Learn more about World Vision's response to COVID-19, please visit: www.wvi.org



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