



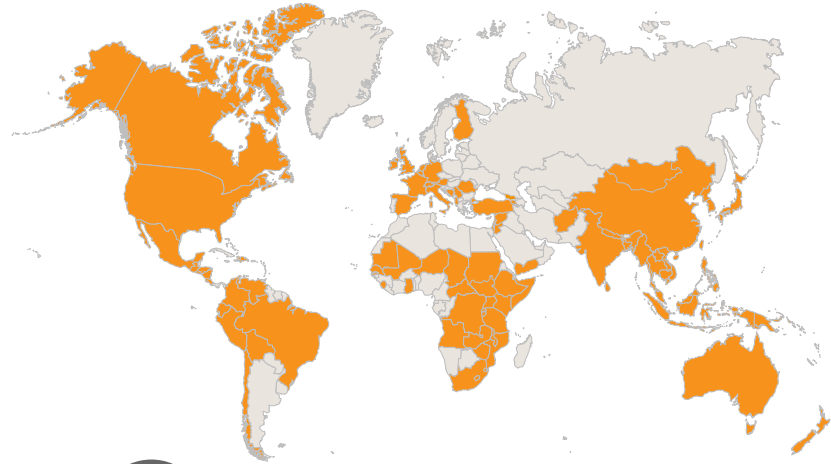
COVID-19 Emergency Response

World Vision

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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: 10,321,689

Global Deaths: 507,435

(as of 01 July 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

37,909,832



Men 10,375,324



Women 11,509,727



Children 16,024,781

Boys 7,896,632

Girls 8,155,149

(Based on figures from 70 countries, as of 26 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.



Regional Highlights



Latin America and Caribbean Region



People Reached **6,466,533**



Children Reached **2,595,603**

Overview

Latin America and the Caribbean has over 2 million COVID-19 cases, representing 22 per cent of all cases globally. The economic crisis caused by the pandemic in the region will push 16 million people under the line of extreme poverty, according to the [Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean](#). This scenario means a 15-year regression in the fight against hunger. Meanwhile, poverty will rise from 85 million to 220 million people due to COVID-19, according to the [UN](#).

Highlights

World Vision celebrates the support of the private sector, churches and cooperation agencies to deliver critical nutrition, livelihoods and health assistance that has directly benefitted 6.4 million people. However, World Vision urges donors to join forces to provide emotional support and ensure mental health wellbeing, as a means to prevent social conflict and violence.



Middle East and Eastern Europe Region



People Reached **698,143**



Children Reached **325,544**

Overview

The virus continues to impact lives of children and their families. Weaker regional states see a rapid rise in case rates after low or zero public compliance with health measures and curfews. In Afghanistan, as many as 14 million people are in need of aid, and Iraq has rapidly reached over 30,000 confirmed cases. Economic and social challenges in Lebanon are increasing burden on refugees and the local population.

Highlights

World Vision launched a [report](#) that looks at the most insidious price children must pay as a result of war: forced and early marriage.

On World Refugee Day, World Vision celebrated efforts to ensure that children are provided with access to healthcare, basic education and protection services and also with the opportunity to speak up and be listened to. Listen to Syrian refugee [children voices](#) from Lebanon.



Asia Pacific Region



People Reached **8,234,671**



Children Reached **3,919,738**

Overview

COVID-19 is much more than a health crisis. It is a humanitarian crisis, and Asia's children, especially the most vulnerable, are on the brink of severe hunger, increased disease, and physical and emotional safety risks. To better understand the socio-economic impact of COVID-19 on the lives of vulnerable children in Asia, World Vision conducted a recovery assessment in May, surveying over 14,000 households in nine countries.

Highlights

The assessment reveals the severe loss of livelihood for the majority of surveyed families, which has a concerning effects on food security, nutrition and child protection.

Based on the assessments, World Vision field offices are developing recovery plans which will focus on meeting the needs of the most vulnerable children, their families and communities, especially among both existing and the newly poor, the urban-to-rural migrants and casual day labourers.



Africa Region



People Reached **22,401,485**



Children Reached **9,183,896**

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 the Democratic Republic of Congo, World Vision trained 279 teachers and education officials on child protection and COVID-19. The training was conducted with support from the Australian NGO Cooperation Programme.

In the Central African Republic, World Vision reached more than 8,000 people including 844 religious leaders through World Vision's [Channels of Hope](#) approach.



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



20,898,437

People reached through promotion of preventive behaviours



3,417,977

Information, education, and communication materials printed and distributed



4,599,857

Community members provided with preventive materials



1,875,261

Handwashing supplies distributed



1,080,062

Comprehensive hygiene kits distributed



115,400

Cleaning kits distributed to vulnerable communities



70,321

Community-level public handwashing stations established or maintained



30,356

Water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities constructed or rehabilitated



85,249

Faith leaders disseminating preventive measures

(Based on figures from 70 countries, as of 26 June 2020)

OBJECTIVE 2: Strengthen health systems and workers



79,774

Community health workers trained and supported



184,356

Medical personnel provided with personal protective equipment (PPE)



4,384,124

Masks distributed, including to health facilities, health workers and communities



3,485,694

Glove sets distributed, including to health facilities, health workers and communities



9,812

Medical facilities assisted



318,858

Disinfectant kits distributed to health care facilities



132,176

People supported with the securing of safe quarantine and/or isolation spaces



581

Quarantine and isolation spaces supported, rehabilitated or set-up



6,680

People provided with transportation support

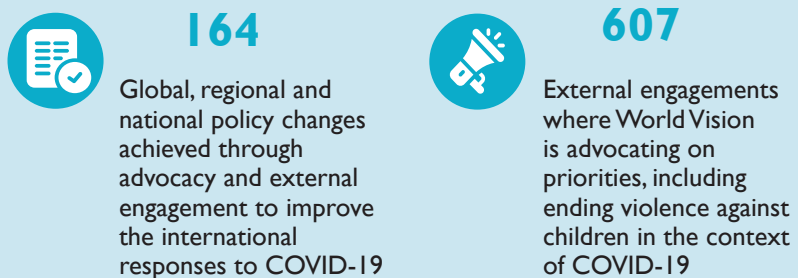
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OBJECTIVE 3: Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through child protection, education, food security, and livelihoods



(Based on figures from 70 countries, as of 26 June 2020)

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



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HIGHLIGHTS

- Andrew Morley, World Vision International President, called for urgency to accelerate action and delivery of child-related SDGs in the face of COVID-19 at a United Nations meeting of the Group of Friends on Children and SDGs, in New York.
- For World Refugee Day, World Vision launched a policy report “Between the Rock and the Hard Place” focused on the impact of COVID-19 on Venezuelan migrant children and refugees. The launch of the report in Brazil reached over 20 million people.
- In Uganda, World Vision organized an e-conference on provision of child friendly services during the lockdown. The conference aired on national television, included voices of children, and reached 3 million people through Twitter and Facebook.
- World Vision Jerusalem, West Bank and Gaza office led the work together with UN agencies and NGOs on adapting the Child Protection Referral Policy to COVID-19, which was approved for adaptation by the local Ministry of Social Development.
- In Honduras, World Vision led a virtual forum on continuity of education during the lockdown with the participation of the Ministry of Education and civil society, reaching 14,533 people.

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:



Requests for support to cope with the economic impacts of COVID-19 and requests for additional people to benefit from World Vision relief programs remain the top community feedback trends this month.



Emerging community feedback trends indicate growing levels of stress and protection concerns and people requesting mental health and psychosocial support. Requests also include support for continuing education for children.



Fear and confusion about a second wave of COVID-19 infections and how people should prepare for this is another emerging trend in community feedback this month.

We listen to communities and respond

The most common feedback from the community in **Dominican Republic** is concerns about the contagion with the economy reopening. Although people understand the need to obtain economic input, there are worries that this will increase the spread of the disease. World Vision in Dominican Republic responded with increased information sharing of infection prevention protocols and dissemination of prevention messages.

World Vision in **Ethiopia** started to purchase food crops for households, but feedback from the community indicated that it is better to support households with seeds rather than a one-time food crop. Accordingly, World Vision adapted its programming and purchased seeds for affected households as it is also farming season and farmers faced financial problems in order to buy seeds.

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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](#)

[Stolen Future: War and Child Marriage in Northwest Syria](#)

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](#)

[COVID-19 & Urgent Needs of Child-Sensitive Social Protection](#)

[COVID-19 & the Risks to Children in Urban Contexts](#)

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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