World Vision COVID-19 Emergency Response

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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.





COVID-19 RESPONSE GOAL

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

COVID-19 Strategic Objectives



Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of disease



Strengthen health systems and workers



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



Collaborate and advocate to ensure vulnerable children are protected

Key COVID-19 interventions



Health & Nutrition

World Vision is leveraging its deep presence in communities to coordinate and work with relevant formal and informal health services and inter-agency groups on risk communication and community engagement. World Vision is providing refresher training and logistical support to health care providers and facilities, while scaling up mobile digital platforms for household training, monitoring, supervision and contact tracing. Water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) interventions include establishing, rehabilitating and maintaining community-level WASH infrastructure, and providing clean water, hygiene supplies and equipment.



Economic Livelihood

World Vision is expanding its focus on enhancing food security and nutrition, savings, and livelihoods to prevent malnutrition, loss of family income and to strengthen the local economy. This includes provision of cash and vouchers, food distributions, as well as enhanced recovery pathways to financial inclusion and social protection mechanisms, such as access to finance to revive affected micro, small, and medium-size enterprises, and Savings for Transformation (S4T) platforms. These recovery pathways are targeted to support the most vulnerable children and their families.



Child Protection

World Vision is adapting existing reporting and referral mechanisms for child protection and equipping frontline workers to respond to children affected by violence. World Vision is strengthening children's protective environment by providing alternative care to children separated from their caregivers, preventing institutionalisation and unintentional separation, providing psychosocial support and information about COVID-19 and how to access support and services.



Education

World Vision is supporting vulnerable children, families, teachers and relevant institutions to mitigate the impact of social distancing measures. This includes equipping families to support children physically, socially, emotionally, cognitively, and spiritually, as well as ensuring that learning and holistic development never stops. Remote learning and training for education and child protection personnel is being conducted using digital technology. World Vision's solutions will be mindful of the digital divide and delivered in a way that does not worsen digital inequities.

Working in the most fragile places



Fragile and conflict-affected contexts are expected to be the most vulnerable to the COVID-19 pandemic, but also to the reduction in regular humanitarian assistance due to restrictions on movement of people and goods and services.

World Vision is focusing its emergency response on situations of pre-existing vulnerability and fragility where children are most at risk - conflict affected contexts, urban slums, and refugee and internally displaced people settings.

COVID-19 response achievements

People Reached

45,269,933



Men 12,223,312



Women 13,443,761

Children 19,618,763



Boys 9,632,275 Girls 9,986,488



7,889,194 Community members provided with

preventive materials



220,825

Medical personnel provided with personal protective equipment (PPE)



1,341,455

Children reached with targeted, age-specific health education



Faith leaders disseminating preventive measures



US\$23.6m

Cash and voucher assistance distributed



226

Global, regional and national policy changes achieved through advocacy and external engagement to improve the international responses to COVID-19

World Vision's approach



Grassroots to global reach

With a presence in 100 countries, World Vision's strong community relationships at the grassroots are critical to limiting the spread of the disease and protecting vulnerable children and their families from the direct and indirect impacts of COVID-19. For example, World Vision has trained and equipped nearly 95,000 of our network of 220,000 community health workers with plans to mobilise many more in the delivery of health and home care for the sick. And World Vision is engaging with thousands of members of our network of 54,000 saving groups - 1.3 million people, 70% of whom are women to help protect livelihoods.



Partner with faith leaders

(Based on figures from 70 countries, as of 10 August 2020)

Faith communities and places of worship are at the centre of community life around the world and play a central role both in guiding people towards behaviour change and provision of spiritual and practical support in times of need. World Vision's strong relationships with local communities of faith are proving to be critical in preventing the spread of misinformation and myths during COVID-19, and supporting delivery of the appropriate health and child protection messaging. World Vision's unique Channels of Hope methodology has supported more than 400,000 leaders from all faiths in more than 50 countries to successfully respond to disease outbreaks like Zika and Ebola.



Be an influential voice

Through its advocacy, public engagement, and partnerships, World Vision has been able to inform global and national policies, mobilise support for humanitarian action by governments and the general public, as well as form strong partnerships to achieve positive change. Strengthening the voices of children and civil society, and active advocacy and engagement with decision-makers is at the heart of World Vision's COVID-19 response. Jointly tackling challenges and collaborating with national governments, donors, UN agencies and the private sector will be critical to global success.

70 years of experience serving the most vulnerable

This year marks the 70th anniversary of World Vision. Throughout its history, World Vision has responded to the world's worst humanitarian crises - the Ethiopian famine of 1984, the 2004 Asian tsunami, the Haiti earthquake of 2010, and most recently the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo.





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