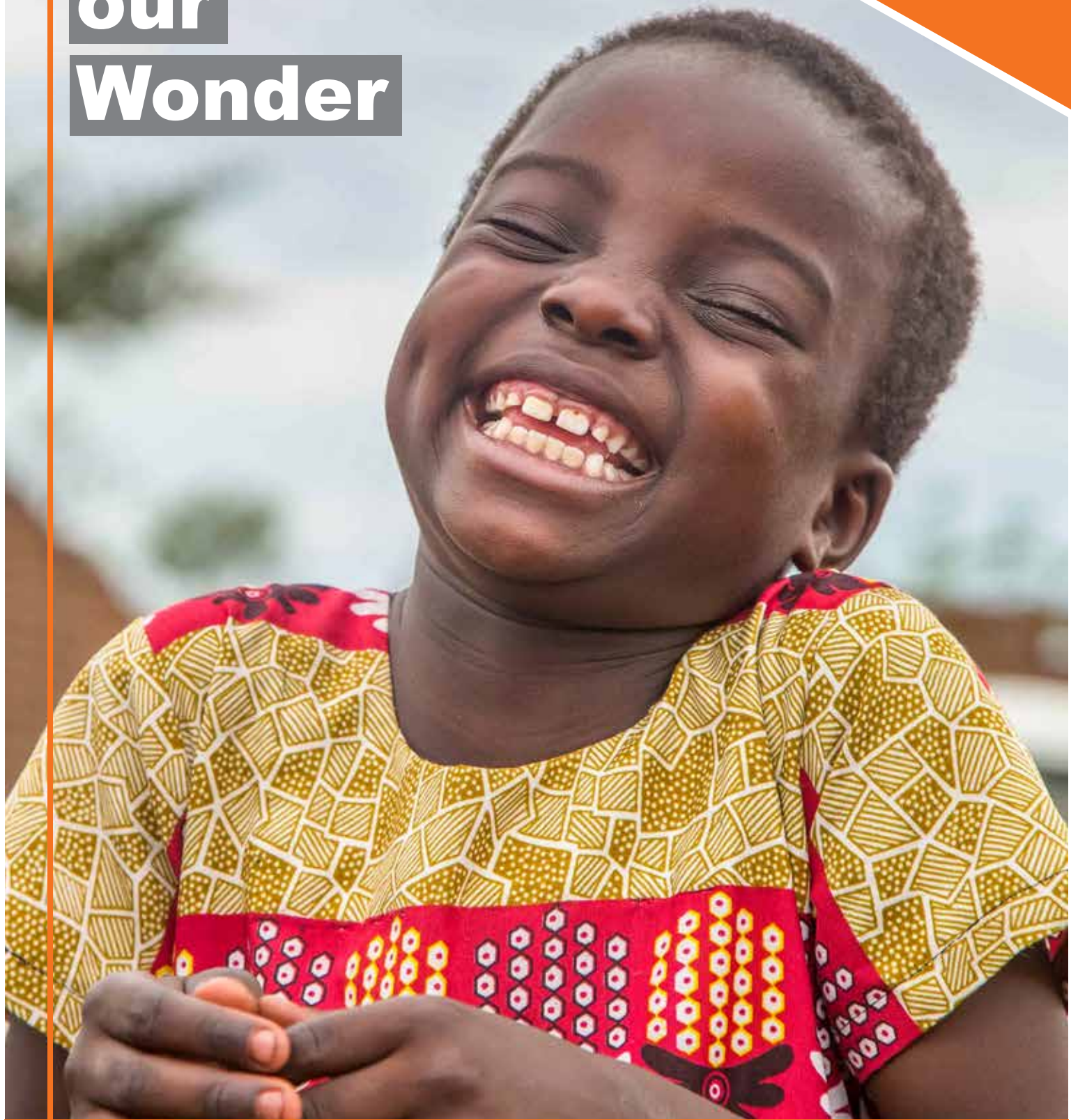


Waking our Wonder



2020 | A World Vision Malawi **ANNUAL REPORT**

OUR MISSION

World Vision is an international partnership of Christians whose mission is to follow our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ in working with the poor and oppressed to promote human transformation, seek justice and bear witness to the good news of the Kingdom of God.

OUR VISION

Our vision for every child,
Life in all its fullness.
Our prayer for every heart,
The will to make it so

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About us

World Vision Malawi has been implementing relief, development and advocacy interventions in Malawi since 1982. The organization is currently working in all 28 districts through 33 Area Programmes and Grant supported projects. In its 2016 - 2020 Strategy, World Vision Malawi aims at making a measurable contribution in improving the well being of 1.5 million boys and girls directly and impacting the lives of another 4 million indirectly.

Our Faith in Action

We are inspired by our Christian faith in all our works to serve the most vulnerable children and their communities in Malawi. We seek to follow the life and loving example of Jesus Christ in working with the poor and oppressed, demonstrating the same love, compassion and deeds that bring hope and transformation to vulnerable families. We therefore partner with local faith communities, faith leaders and Churches to promote child protection, positive parenting, health messaging, literacy and positive mindset-change.

World Vision
End Child Marriage Now

Message from the Officer in Charge



Dear Friends,

In 2016, we set out with an ambitious plan to make a measurable impact in the life of 1.5 million children, directly, and another 4 million, indirectly.

In 2020 alone, we are glad that our work safeguarded 300,000 children from Malaria and contributed in containing the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. What an honor it is to serve and advocate for the most vulnerable children in such unprecedented times of a global pandemic. I am humbled to share with you World Vision Malawi's annual report highlighting key achievements that, together with partners, we accomplished in these unusual circumstances. As we live out our faith and calling, we are focused on our

mission of ensuring every child experiences fullness of life. The global pandemic once again highlighted the need for water, sanitation and hygiene.

This year World Vision provided over 90,000 people with access to clean water and more than 16,000 students were facilitated with access to water supply systems at their schools as part of our commitment to reach one million people with access to clean water.

All World Vision's efforts are focused on empowering and sustaining change through integrated interventions. We are thrilled that a recent study showed a 30% increase in the number of parents and caregivers who are able to provide for their children. In an effort to ensure sustained child wellbeing,

World Vision witnessed growth of Savings for transformation groups that saw over USD2 million circulating in savings as well as hundreds of agricultural producer groups gain access to markets and financial services.

Various communities were supported to take care of forests as well as plant more than nine million seedlings for fruit and agroforestry trees in an effort to combat climate change.

World Vision continues to build upon a strong relationship with local churches, civil society organizations and the government of Malawi to implement programmes that serve the vulnerable children and their communities in the country.

For us all at World Vision Malawi, 2020 has been a year of waking our wonder to the great things God achieved through our lives.

The leadership and staff of World Vision Malawi are so thankful to God for his protection and grace in enabling us to achieve so much even in the world's toughest times. To God be the glory! With sincere thanks,

Catherine Omenda
Officer in Charge
World Vision Malawi

Education



The goal of World Vision's literacy interventions is to improve age appropriate education for boys and girls through effective teaching and learning in schools, improved retention, access to a conducive learning environment and enhanced quality and relevant Early Childhood Development (ECD).

The organisation plays a pivotal role in capacity building of parents, caregivers and teachers starting from early grades to create child friendly, safe and protective learning environment for children in ECDs and primary schools.

As children transition from ECDs, World Vision focuses on helping them have access to primary education and learn how to read and write at their appropriate age. For example, World Vision had a partnership with Education Cannot Wait to improve access to education during Cyclone Idai in 2019 and

partly, Covid-19.

During the nation-wide closure of schools due to COVID-19, World Vision Malawi collaborated with different schools to provide reading materials to thousands of children who were being supported by their parents to read and write.

The program strengthened the local child protection system through Capacity building for 681 (431 female) members of the local child protection committees in 25 Area Programs. As a result of increased awareness and monitoring capacity on child protection issues, the program recorded 482 teen pregnancies and 797 child marriage cases in the targeted areas. Entire education interventions were implemented in 26 communities across 50 Education Zones and 15 districts. Primary school enrolment in 264 primary schools in our catchment increased from 209,801 in FY19 to 268,234 in FY20.



Summary of achievements



119,676

children reached with literacy interventions. In 264 primary schools, 1,137 Reading Camps and 856 ECDs



87,219

children reached with home schooling



7,451

guardians trained to support remote learning for ECD children. Through this, 88,968 children benefited from home schooling



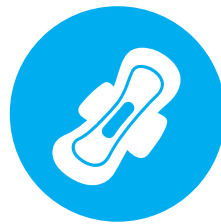
18,313

bloom books distributed And reached 5,572 households and benefited 11,849 children.



10,000

children accessed radio-based lessons. As the pandemic disrupted education. A total of 1,100 solar powered radios were distributed.



15,442

girls received menstrual hygiene support courtesy of trainings of 201 parents in sewing of reusable sanitary pads and face masks. Another 808 children with disabilities benefited from our interventions.



32,044

text books distributed



60

Caregivers trained in ECD



27

school blocks and ECD centres built (35 rehabilitated)

Health and Nutrition



World Vision works with the government, community workers and other development partners to ensure every child experience good health and nutrition. In the fiscal year 2019/2020, World Vision implemented the project in 24 communities across 15 Districts of Malawi. Among key issues addressed by the programme are inadequate dietary intake, due to poor feeding practices which come because of knowledge deficit in diversified and preparation of nutritious meals, and vulnerability to infections. Last year, World Vision enrolled 3,715 children in home-based nutrition centres within their communities and they both recovered.

In order to promote appropriate infant and young child feeding practices, care group and Timely and Targeted Counselling (ttC) volunteers held nutrition counselling sessions to care givers, reaching a total of 69,957 pregnant

women and lactating mothers. The Programme registered a declining trend in the number of children admitted and rehabilitated in Community Management of Acute Malnutrition centres from 6,061 cases in 2018; 5,676 cases in 2019 to 3,715 cases in 2020. Of special mention is our Afikepo project in Mulanje and Chiradzulu districts where 123,876 under-five children registered an increased and diversified dietary intake of safe and nutritious foods.



Summary of achievements



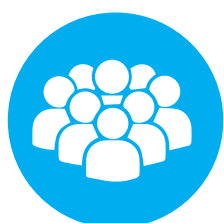
1,014,763

people safeguarded from Malaria.
In Mangochi district courtesy of an Indoor Residual Spray project supported by the Global Fund. Beneficiaries included 201,931 children under five years of age and 23,766 pregnant women.



2,000,000

million children immunised with Vitamin A



70,000

people reached with nutrition messages



109,673

in and out of school youths reached with HIV messaging



3,715

children recovered from malnutrition



47,777

women reached with counselling messages. Using Timely and Targeted Counselling (ttC) volunteers in all World Vision impact areas. Door to door counselling sessions focused on prevention of childhood illnesses and perceived adoption of health seeking behaviour

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene



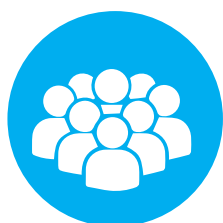
World Vision's integrated Water Sanitation and Hygiene technical programme in Malawi aims at reducing prevalence of diarrhoea among under five children through improved and sustained access to potable water, sanitation and improved hygiene in schools. In order to achieve this, World Vision implemented approaches such as integrated WASH, Community Led Total Sanitation, School

Led Total Sanitation, Sanitation Marketing and Design for Behaviour Change (DBC).

World Vision is focused on providing universal access to clean water in some of its focus areas, especially in Ntcheu, with support from the charity: water. Under the WASH milestones, 95,264 people gained access to clean water.



Summary of achievements



95,264

people gained access to clean water through the construction/ installation and commissioning of 350 community water points. These included 143 taps, 119 new boreholes with hand pump as well as rehabilitated 88 non-functional water points (11 taps and 77 boreholes).



181,452

Children reached with WASH interventions



288,152

people gained access to sanitary facilities having constructed toilets and other sanitary facilities



257

communities declared Open Defecation Free

Water for all

World Vision provided clean water to 71,986 people in 19 communities, across 15 districts through the construction/ installation and commissioning of 350 community water points. These included

143 taps, 119 new boreholes with hand pump as well as rehabilitated 88 non-functional water points (11 taps and 77 boreholes).

Improved sanitation

16,286 learners (8,302 girls) have access to clean water

22 schools benefited from 59 water points installed in their schools. Because water alone is not enough, World Vision constructed 153 latrine stalls in 15

schools, benefiting 15,537 learners (8,178 girls). These investments were further complemented by the establishment of 136 WASH Clubs in schools to promote and sustain behaviour change among learners.

Water in hospitals

Approximately 76,213 hospital visitors, including 12,956 under five children (6,373 girls) gained improved access to potable water in three Health Centre Facilities following installation of 9 taps from three water systems; two mechanized solar powered and one gravity fed water system.

Across all investments made, a total of 2,481 water point committee members (1,372 females) were trained in management of water points. Besides, 181 local government stakeholders (94 females) were trained to manage and sustain water services.



Food Security and Resilience



World Vision, through its Malawi Household Food Security and Resilience pushed towards attainment of food security in Malawi by addressing factors that marginalise smallholder farmers and choke agricultural productivity, access to agriculture extension, access to markets and financial services.

The programme employed strategies that build capacities of smallholder farmers toward asset stabilization and support food systems and food availability. This is

done by increasing households' capacity to generate viable and sustainable food access and asset accumulation, which results in enhanced resilience to shocks in individuals, households, communities and the environment.

In Financial year 2020, food security projects were implemented in 17 Area Programs from 16 districts. These were complemented by three grant and private non-sponsorship projects.



Summary of achievements



144,688
children reached



USD 2,639,727
circulating in Savings Groups



27,949
households adopted diversified
food production methods



54,973
farming families received messages,
participating in irrigation, diversified
production and post-harvest
management



18,478
families linked to financial
institutions



35,952
families received farming
messages



21,280
farming families adopted
integrated pest management
and post-harvest handling
techniques that have reduced
harvest losses

Communities leading from within

World Vision built capacity of 1,126 Lead farmers (765 females) and 60 Village Agriculture Committees in Improved and Sustainable Farming Technologies. These structures led 54,973 farming families to adopt new technologies like

organic farming, irrigation, conservation agriculture, and manure making. To complement these community efforts, 7 irrigation schemes were constructed bringing a total of 105.7ha against the target of 100.6ha.

Assets, foundations of resilience

There was an increase in the number of households owning different types of livestock in all the villages where we worked. A total of 9,409 households owned livestock through Goats Pass-on Programme, impacting lives of 32,787 children. To sustain this, World Vision built

capacity of 63 Community Animal Health Workers (CAHWs) to work hand in hand with families to promote this investment.



Strengthened Access to Financial Services

To enhance access to financial services, 47,486 individuals had access to credit.

World Vision facilitated establishment of 1,990 Savings for Transformation (S4T) Groups that helped communities circulate money amongst themselves.

The cash in circulation across all the groups in World Vision impact areas was USD \$2,639, 727 (MKI, 953,397,980),

benefitting 28,160 children.

Additionally, World Vision's operational alliance with Vision Fund, resulted in training of 7,031 farmers in financial literacy and selection of viable business enterprises. A total of 5,101 (2,913 females) obtained loans. Cumulatively, USD\$255,365.78 was disbursed in loans to 364 groups.

Creating markets for local produce

To enhance aggregation of farmers', produce and access to markets, 1,893 Commercial Producer Groups were formed, and 57 Inputs Supplier and Buyer Partnership alliances were facilitated. By the end of the year, World Vision facilitated participation of 30,542 farmers participated in these group having chosen their profitable value chains.

Through this, cumulative sales wealth of US\$686,939.46 were made from 1,503.86

metric tons of commodities sold by 2,776 farmers (1, 567M).

The programme further built capacity of 107 Government stakeholders in EBWV to enhance their effective participation in community development, which in turn trained 1,148 (745F) most vulnerable households and 1,194 (732F) farming households including ultra-poor and sponsored children's parents.

Child protection



World Vision Malawi continued to deepen its commitment to the most vulnerable, through the 'It Takes Malawi to End Child Marriage' campaign, to ensure children are protected from all forms of violence and abuse especially in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

During COVID-19 lockdown period, World Vision partnered with Churches and Mosques and a Christian radio to advocate for children through sharing messages on child protection and positive

parenting.

During the national lockdown period due to COVID-19 pandemic, World Vision Malawi partnered with religious leaders and other organisations to raise awareness on incidents of child abuse and where to report cases of child violence.

Locally based advocacy

World Vision Malawi lobbied partners and government local structures in Area Programmes to conduct and intensify the back to school campaigns. This was done together with mother groups, Child Protection Committees, Parents Teachers Association, Pastors fraternal among others who worked hand in hand with the affected children. This resulted in nullification of child marriages.

Capacity building in local level advocacy

approach to Citizen Voice Action (CVA) and Community Health Action Groups (CHAGs) was key in advocating for improved services. 4 APs lobbied for Community Development Fund (CDF) to be used in the construction of incinerator and embryo pit at Health Posts and mobilized resources from the community to construct a house for the Health Surveillance Assistant.



National level advocacy

To collaborate and advocate for broader impact, World Vision Malawi facilitated a press conference involving two Government Ministers of Health and Minister of Gender and Social Welfare to weigh on the risks of school closure and

re-opening under COVID-19. Through this, World Vision challenged that it was important that children and youth continue enjoying education and life skills in a manner that does not leave them vulnerable to COVID-19.

Summary of achievements



676

child marriages nullified



521

girls have returned to school from marriage



147

pregnant girls supported to go back to school



Humanitarian and Emergency Affairs



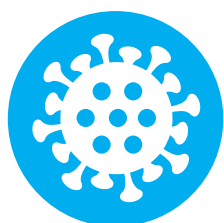
World Vision Malawi, in partnership with the Department of Disaster Management Affairs (DoDMA) and WFP, deepened efforts to support vulnerable children affected by various disasters in Malawi through WASH and livelihoods. During the 2019/2020 fiscal year, World Vision Malawi, Disaster Management Unit played its role to prevent and respond to disasters. The unit worked with the Malawi Government and World Food Program (WFP) to build community resilience to disasters through food for Assets creation (FFA) in Chikwawa and Phalombe and provision of support to

food insecure households through LEAN Response projects in Neno.

The unit continued to implement recovery interventions to effects of Cyclone Idai through the Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC) project targeting Traditional Authority Nyambi in Machinga district. The unit also coordinated interventions aimed at preventing the spread of Covid-19 pandemic through Covid Emergency Response (COVER), these were implemented across WV Area Programs.



Summary of achievements



2,325,920

people reached with COVID-19 messages. Radio and billboard adverts promoted handwashing and behavior change



93,435

households benefited from FFA



13,897

households supported with food during the 2019-2020 lean season food insecure season

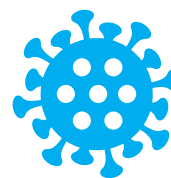


13,307

people trained in community disaster management. Trainings targeted all areas that are frequently hit by disasters. People participated in creating community as well as household-based assets to help them stay resilient from disasters.



COVID-19 Response



COVID-19 Weekly Response Update

Week ending 18th December, 2020

COUNTRY CONTEXT



80,778
Tested



6,138
Confirmed cases



5,661
Recovered



187
Deaths



107
Lost to follow-up

- Regular updates aimed at providing clear information on the trend of the outbreak still continue.
- Implementation of the Affordable Input Programme (AIP) is ongoing
- Awareness interventions on gender and protection issues have continued
- Malawi government postponed the Malawi School Certificate of Education (MSCE) examination due to massive leakage of some of the exam papers through social media. MANEB is expected re-administer MSCE examinations not later than January 2021.

RESPONSE PRIORITIES

WV Malawi prioritizes the following sectors in its Covid-19 response, basing on organizational experiences in past responses, and contextual needs of disaster-affected populations.



Food Assistance

Provision of Emergency food support to the most vulnerable



WASH

Provision of WASH Supplies and Promotion of Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools, Churches and Health Facilities



Health

Provision of personal Protective Equipment(PPE) and capacity building of Community Health Workers on Covid-19



Education

Support remote learning of Children and provision of supplementary reading materials for Children



Child Protection

Awareness on child care and provision of psycho-social support

Key Interventions in the past week

- 30, 500 Pairs of Latex Gloves distributed (to 3 Health Facilities)
- 3,000 Tapped plastic buckets for hand washing distributed
- 750 Kgs of HTH distributed to 3 health facilities
- 1,800 pieces of tablet soap distributed to institutions
- 1,800 Bottles of hand-washing liquid soap distributed (500 mls / bottle).
- 1500 Heavy and Light aprons distributed to 3 health facilities
- 110 Children provided with education support or training
- 65 caregivers provided with Education training and support
- 150,000 face masks distributed (1,190 to RCs)
- 500 posters distributed to institutions

Total Beneficiaries Reached

	544,812	2,325,920	
	<i>Direct</i>	<i>Indirect</i>	
	283,847	144,762	139,085
	<i>Children</i>	<i>Girls</i>	<i>Boys</i>
	260,965	133,092	127,873
	<i>Adults</i>	<i>Women</i>	<i>Men</i>

Overall cost of Interventions

Total = 654,985

GIK = 267,157

AP & Others = 387,828



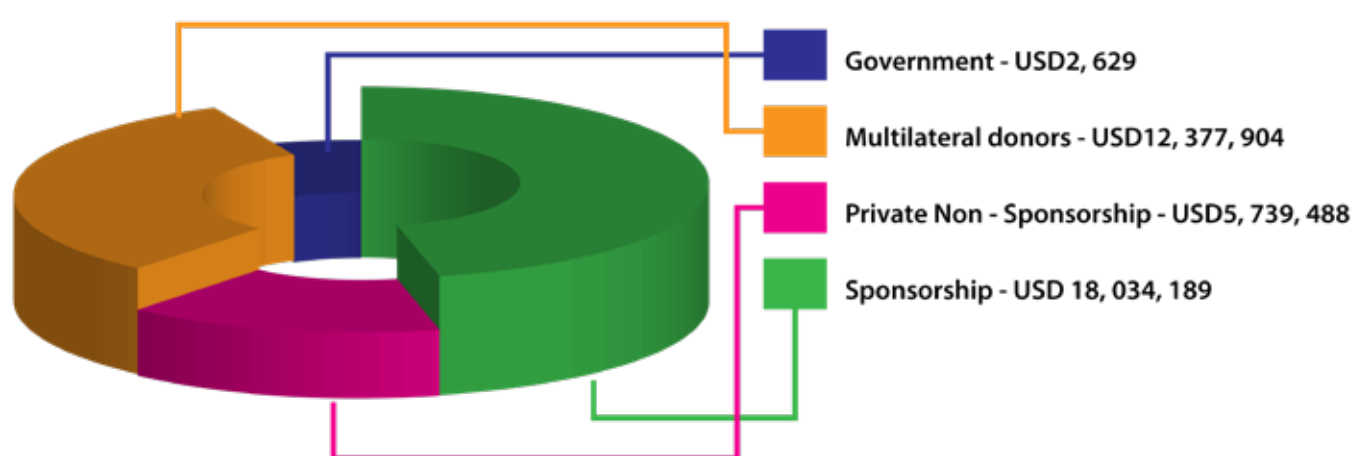
Cumulative summary of interventions

Community, faith leaders & volunteers trained on COVID-19 using CoH	2,989
Health workers orientated on Covid 19 response	720
Awareness Sessions on Covid 19 prevention and control (through PA, radios & trained community structures)	109
Hand sanitizer bottles distributed (within WV offices and health facilities)	1,463
HTH distributed to Health facilities (kgs)	5,250
Tapped plastic buckets for hand washing distributed (units)	3,158
Pairs of Latex Gloves distributed (mainly to Health Facilities) (#)	134,943
Face masks distributed (to WV staff and health workers) (#)	25,734
Soaps (tablets and powdered) distributed to Health Facilities (kgs)	2,317.25
Provision of assorted medical supplies (units)	325,148
Total number of Health Facilities supported (#)	44
COVID-19 IEC material printed and distributed (Banners and leaflets)	6,990
Bottles of hand-washing liquid soap distributed (500 mls / bottle).	2,392
Orientation of caregivers on home school instruction	7,516
Water systems constructed(Boreholes and kiosks)	12
Children provided with Education support or Training	58,254

Financial Summary



Major Income



Total: USD 34,152,260

Performance & investment highlights

Health and Nutrition	USD 9.28 million
Food Security	USD 6.23 million
Education	USD 5.25 million
WASH	USD 3.85 million

Our partners

Working in Malawi, as World Vision, we are deeply entrenched in the African wisdom, that alone, you may go fast, but together, we go far. It is only by working together and collaborating for impact that lives of children in need can be transformed for the better.

Through shared goals, deep participation and shared accountability, we were dependent on partners all along the way.

World Vision Malawi worked with great partnership of donors, the government of Malawi, Churches and faith leaders, as well as other organisations to push towards our mission of bringing justice for children, families and communities stuck in poverty and injustice.

We cherish the support and collaboration of our donors and implementing partners who stood with us all the way, even during the pandemic.







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