



ZIMBABWE IMPACT REPORT

Our National Impact Report 2021



Message from the National Director

I am pleased to share with you our World Vision Zimbabwe (WVZ)'s Financial Year 2021 (FY 21) Annual report. Our work in World Vision Zimbabwe is aligned to our Partnership strategy "Our Promise" which calls us to relentlessly pursue our vision of "life in all its fullness" for children in a world that is changing rapidly. Our strategic focus is on the most vulnerable children. By putting the most vulnerable girls and boys first, we continue to realign our focus and footprint to reduce extreme vulnerability as well as develop effective and relevant programming. In FY21, WVZ reached out to a total of 1.3 million most vulnerable children. We are grateful to our partners and stakeholders who have enabled us to achieve more for children than we could ever do on our own.

WVZ relies on a sustained way of partnering with other organisations, government ministries and other partners. This has enabled us to collaborate and advocate for greater impact through the "It takes Zimbabwe to End Sexual Violence against Children" campaign. WVZ reached out to just over 2.5 million children through mass media campaigns on ending child marriage. These media campaigns were instrumental in educating communities on child abuse reporting channels and in FY 21 over

85% of caregivers reported proper action taken against perpetrators of abuse. The media programmes brought together church leaders, child parliament representatives, key stakeholders such as the Zimbabwe Gender Commission and Child Rights Coalition of Zimbabwe and the African Union (AU) Good Will Ambassador on ending child marriage. The office continues to advocate for systemic change across national and local levels working with like-minded partners to amplify children's voices at the highest level of advocacy engagements.

With Christ at the centre of all we do, WVZ strives to demonstrate God's unconditional love for children by mobilising our staff and communities towards the common purpose of addressing the deep, spiritual root causes of child vulnerability. Over 100,500 children were reached in World Vision Programming areas through spiritual nurturing activities.

As we face numerous challenges within our operating context, including the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, we will seek to be more agile and adaptive as an organization so that we can continue to do the work we have been

called to do. Our goal is to continue to reach children, their families and communities across all our programmes through our integrated interventions.

Finally, this FY21 Annual report reflects the work and concerted efforts of WVZ staff, partners including other organisations and government line ministries, to whom we are most grateful. Appreciation also goes to our Advisory Council that has supported and given us wise counsel throughout the course of the year.

'Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.' (Ephesians 3:20-21)



Assan Golowa,
National Director - Zimbabwe



Keeping Our Promise

The World Vision Zimbabwe Strategy is based on our Global partnership strategy, 'Our Promise,' which represents a bold commitment to the most vulnerable girls and boys to transform their lives and bring hope. The changes the world is experiencing are a stark illustration of the importance and relevance of 'Our Promise' to the world's most vulnerable children, and of realising the Sustainable Development Goals. FY21 marks the first year of the WVZ FY 21-25 Strategy Cycle, this is set against the backdrop of a world changed by COVID-19 and its aftershocks. The pandemic has exposed the global inequalities that the most vulnerable children and their families suffer. In light of the ever-changing context, WVZ has remained agile, innovative and adaptive to ensure that our strategy remains relevant in addressing threats to children. Above all, the WVZ office celebrates God's faithfulness through many key achievements which include the following:

Deepening our commitment to the most vulnerable children- WVZ in FY21 reached a total of just over 1.3 million most vulnerable children, which translates to 53% of the total number of children served through WVZ programmes.

Focusing our ministry for greater results by being impact driven- In FY21, WV Zimbabwe conducted the Technical Program Evaluation. Despite the effects of COVID-19, we are grateful to have realised the improved well-being of children as evidenced by the reduction in the prevalence of infectious diseases. The prevalence of diarrhoea went down from 20% to 8% and that of acute respiratory infections/pneumonia went down from 11% to 4%.

Collaborating and advocating for broader impact- World Vision Zimbabwe in Partnership with the Southern Africa Parliamentary Support Trust, engaged 16 parliamentarians representing the child rights, women and gender committees in a policy dialogue advocating for the Child Rights Bill to be passed into law. Other child rights organisations also participated in the dialogue. This engagement led to the successful approval of the first draft

of the bill by the cabinet in July 2021. This was a major milestone achieved since the drafting of the bill in 2018.

Living out our Christian faith and calling with boldness and humility- The office built integrity as a strong Christian partner, capable of stimulating a diverse mix of faith actors in support of collective action for children. In FY 21, WVZ equipped 2,611 church leaders on the Celebrating Families Model and they reached out to over 80,000 children in their respective areas through church-led initiatives and assisted in addressing issues of sexual violence against girls.

As an organisation, we have committed to finding new ways to work together through changing our mind sets and behaviours to realise the God-given potential among us. The FY21 OurVoice results, provide very encouraging signs of the progress we have made to align our mindset and behaviours. Staff (91%) indicated that they are realising evidence of positive results aligned to "Our Promise." Furthermore, staff pointed out that people they work with use the "Our Promise" mindset and behaviours. The ratings showed unity, inclusion and trust (86%), wise stewardship (93%), looking outward (89%) and timely truth telling with love (77%). These scores evidence a significant step forward in changing our culture to realise "Our Promise."

Finally, despite the socio-economic landscape that is replete with threats on child well-being, WVZ is grateful to its partners and supporters who have made it possible to make significant progress in improving the well-being of children especially the most vulnerable within their families and communities.





We are **World Vision**

World Vision in Zimbabwe 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.

We are driven by our desire to ensure that every boy and girl has what they need to grow in mind, body and spirit. Our more than 550 staff work hard to empower children to live lives filled with joy, become all Jesus created them to be and to go further than they could ever have imagined.

Guided by more than 48 years of experience and expertise, our dedicated staff employ proven, effective development and relief practices to empower communities to become self-sufficient and bring real, lasting change.

As a leading national partner, we labour alongside supporters, stakeholders, families and communities to transform lives and bring hope and, as a result, all our lives are enriched. Together, with our partners we have positively impacted the lives of more than 2.5 million vulnerable children in Zimbabwe and 200 million vulnerable children around the world.

We are privileged to serve and work to see relationships restored and communities transformed, all as a reflection of God's unconditional love. And, we humbly acknowledge that without the goodness of God and the generosity of donors, we would not be able to do what we do.

Overview of Zimbabwe priority sectors



HEALTH & NUTRITION

Health and Nutrition programming in FY21 sought to contribute to the increase in children protected from infection and disease by improving uptake of health behaviours, increasing access to health and addressing & preventing the negative impact of COVID-19 within the communities we serve.

1,417,491 people reached with COVID-19 preventative behaviour change messaging

144,809 people benefitted from **89,944** mosquito nets (LLINs)

269,107 children reached through immunisation, nutrition and other primary health care services



ADVOCACY, FAITH & DEVELOPMENT

Children in Zimbabwe continue to suffer from violence at family, community and institutional level. The sector continued to be innovative to ensure sufficient reach out to families and communities in particular, helping them to create a conducive and positive environment for children

Over **100,000** boys and girls reached with spiritual nurturing activities

1,009 children and young people participated in actions that support ending violence against children such as engagement with local and national level decision makers to influence policy



DISASTER RESPONSE

Faced with deteriorating economic growth prospects, food insecurity, growing urban needs, floods and vulnerability amongst school children, WWZ disaster team once again focused on an integrated multi-sector response achieving results including:

20,000 children reached with Homegrown School Feeding Programme in partnership with WFP and WWUS

36,000 people assisted with Cash Transfers in urban areas

656,475 people cushioned with food assistance

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LIVELIHOODS

Despite negative contextual challenges faced in Livelihoods programming in the year (unstable macro-economic environment, limited access to agricultural inputs, COVID-19 and movement restrictions) the sector supported as many households as possible with various interventions:

91,919 children under 18 reached in 11 APs & 5 grants with interventions such as nutrition, irrigation gardens & savings groups

16,474 individuals trained in climate-smart agricultural techniques

65% households recorded sufficient food consumption in FY21 compared to 23% in FY20



EDUCATION

The COVID-19 pandemic and continued school closures once again left marginalised children without formal education. The sector scaled up efforts to reach vulnerable children through digital learning platforms to ensure education did not stop- even in emergencies.

1,340 Cluster schools, **2,800** teachers and **500,000** learners reached through ProFuturo scale-up in hard to reach areas

Viamo reached **4,324** ECD learners in **65** schools

89% of the **750** teenage mothers that acquired vocational skills through IGATE have started income generating activities



WASH

In FY21, key sanitation and hygiene activities included latrine constructions and handwash installations at households, in schools and health care facilities. Water activities at both community and institution level included drilling new boreholes and Point of Use water treatment.

28 villages or communities attained Open Defecation Free status

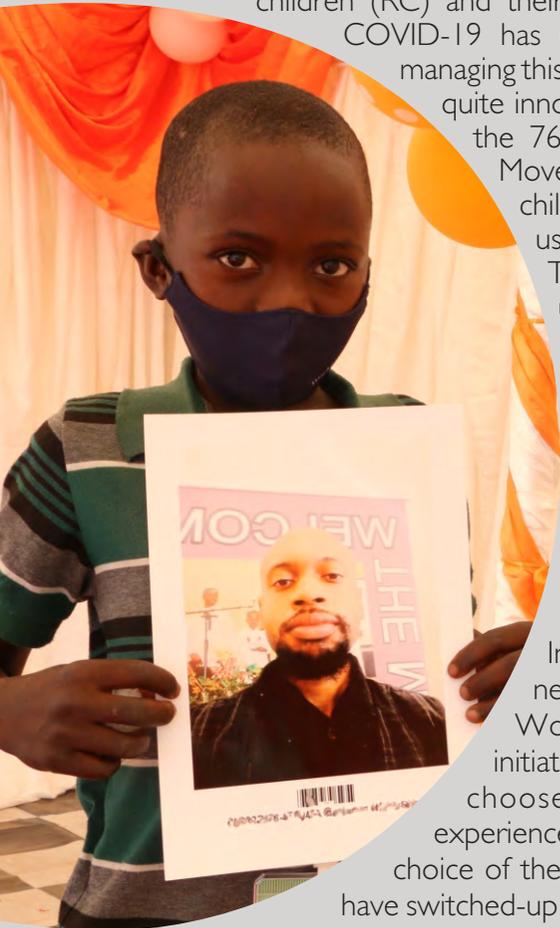
65,364 people had access to a basic drinking water source, **408** new water points & **50** new community piped water schemes

295 WASH committees trained on resource mobilization for maintenance and repair



Sponsorship

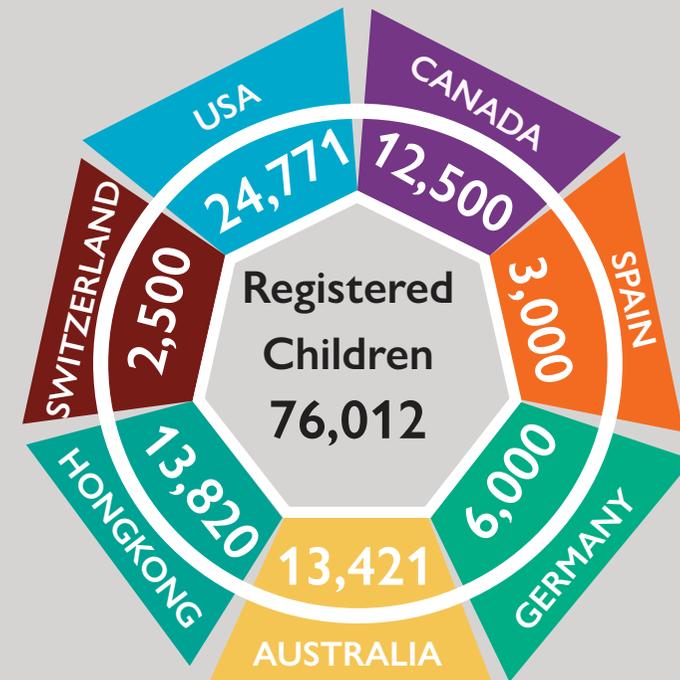
Sponsorship seeks to integrate programmes and funding for greater child well-being impact by ensuring good relationship management processes between registered children (RC) and their sponsors in overseas countries. The era of COVID-19 has created a difficult and complex situation in managing this relationship. WVZ Sponsorship team had to be quite innovative to ensure business continuity and serve the 76,012 registered children (48,125 sponsored). Movement restrictions stopped/limited access to the children for most part of the year, APs had to make use of community volunteers for child monitoring. This was helpful to keep sponsors who were understandably concerned about the children and their well-being updated. Further, it was near impossible to send the usual letters to sponsors as all postal services were closed. AP Managers resorted to creating short video clips which updated sponsors of what the organisation was doing to help children and their communities within the constraints of COVID-19.



In the first quarter of FY21, the office embraced a new initiative called Chosen. **“Chosen”** is a new World Vision International child sponsorship initiative which for the first time enables children to choose their sponsors through an innovative experience. While previously, the sponsors made the choice of the child they wanted to befriend - this time, we have switched-up and given the power of choice to the child. This initiative empowers children to take ownership of who they would want

to have a sponsorship relationship with. This simple, yet powerful switch at the beginning of the sponsorship relationship recognizes the dignity and value of children living in marginalized circumstances—and expresses World Vision International's belief that these children have the power to change their own lives and that of their communities. At the end of the year, a total of 348 sponsors had been chosen

Where do our sponsors come from?



SDGs

WVZ is mainly contributing to SDG 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 16 in its 2021-2025 strategy. WVZ will accomplish its child well-being objectives through 5 critical sectors of Health, Livelihoods, Education, Child Protection and WASH. These will be sustained through monitoring of the implementation of the development goals at a national level as well ensuring our programs adapt and integrate with the external environment. At country level, Zimbabwe has a fair policy and legal framework to support the SDGs with the National Development Strategy 1 (NDS1) which is to run from 2021 to 2025 having social indicators in place aligned to the SDGs, Vision 2030 and the Agenda 2063.

Child well-being

- Our health and nutrition interventions showed evidence of buffering the negative effects of the deteriorating nutrition situation in the country as wasting with and without **oedema at evaluation did not exceed 5%**, meaning that areas in which the health and nutrition interventions were implemented have maintained wasting levels below the cut-off for public health emergency as well achieved the World Health Assembly Target
- The Proportion of households with **parents/caregivers who can provide well** for their children indicator improved from 21% at baseline to 35% at Evaluation.
"The Livelihoods interventions were very beneficial. We are saying so because we are getting most of our daily food and most of our basic financial requirements from these projects as a result of these interventions. As a community we are able to sell vegetables to even those who are not members of the project and they indirectly benefit, we are now able to pay school fees for our children and also provide other basic needs for the families." -FGD with a Producer group in Bolamba AP
- Household access to income was enhanced** through the sale of agricultural produce, which contributed to the ability of households to purchase diversified food options and varieties, resulting in better nutrition for their children
- Learners experienced significant positive improvements in literacy and numeracy. The proportion of children who were able to **read with comprehension** improved from 32% at baseline to 37% at Evaluation
- The "It takes Zimbabwe to end sexual violence against children campaign" has **empowered children to advocate for their rights**, and there have been some improvements in the legal and policy framework for children, even

FY21 TP Evaluation (selected results)



Our COVID-19 RESPONSE

153,019 people

reached through promotion of preventive behaviours



61,706 IEC materials

printed and distributed



275

Community-level public handwashing stations established or maintained



2,066 faith leaders

disseminated preventive measures



2,878 medical personnel

provided with personal protective equipment (PPE)



4,150 children

reached with targeted, age-specific health education

131,290 masks

48,380 gloves

distributed to health facilities, health workers and communities

2,825

Children supported with child protection programming



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2,250 individuals

trained on business or
entrepreneurial skills



9,885 women farmers

trained in improved
sustainable and climate
smart agriculture



21,761 boys & girls

accessed a basic
hand washing facility at
an education institution



16,089 people

benefitted from sanitation
facilities including

45

schools with
girl friendly

menstrual hygiene and
management facilities in
place

97% of more than 210,000



caregivers reached with health and nutrition
counselling by community health workers, were
women

269,107 children

reached through immunisation, nutrition, Maternal,
Newborn and Child Health (MNCH), Sexual
Reproductive Health (SRH) and other primary
health care services



2,074 adolescents

completed life skills curriculum (6 months or longer)
while



18,161 children

aged 3-6 years including the most vulnerable attended
ECD with support from World Vision

108 groups

reached through Citizen
Voice and Action (CVA)
activities



1,651 boys & girls received birth certificates

through community birth
registration education and
mobile registration exercises

More than 75,000 boys and girls

were registered under the
Sponsorship programme

Over 2,611 churches



and Faith Based Organisations
participated in programming focusing
on improving the well being of
children



>2.5 million children

reached through mass media
awareness messages under the

It Takes You & Me campaign

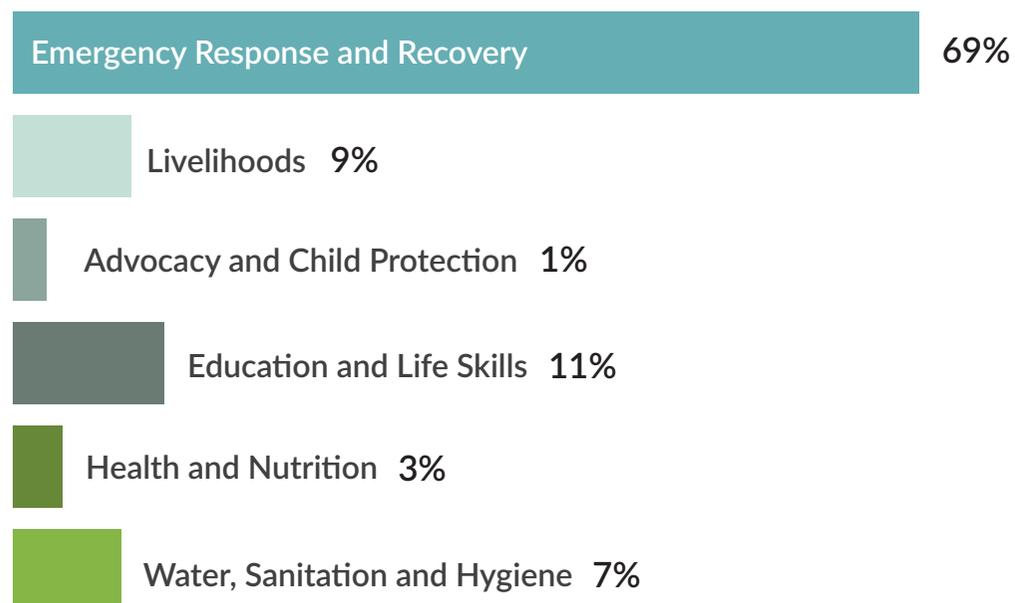
Financial Summary

Similar to the previous year, Financial Year 2021 presented further challenges as a result of the global pandemic. Funding levels dropped by 16% due to the limited funding opportunities in the context of COVID-19. Despite this, we continued to adapt, recording a 96% burnrate indicating efficiency in project implementation even amid the various challenges.

Total Income (past 5 years)

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
\$70.72	\$44.95	\$51.93	\$71.99	\$63.04	US millions

Expenditure by Sector

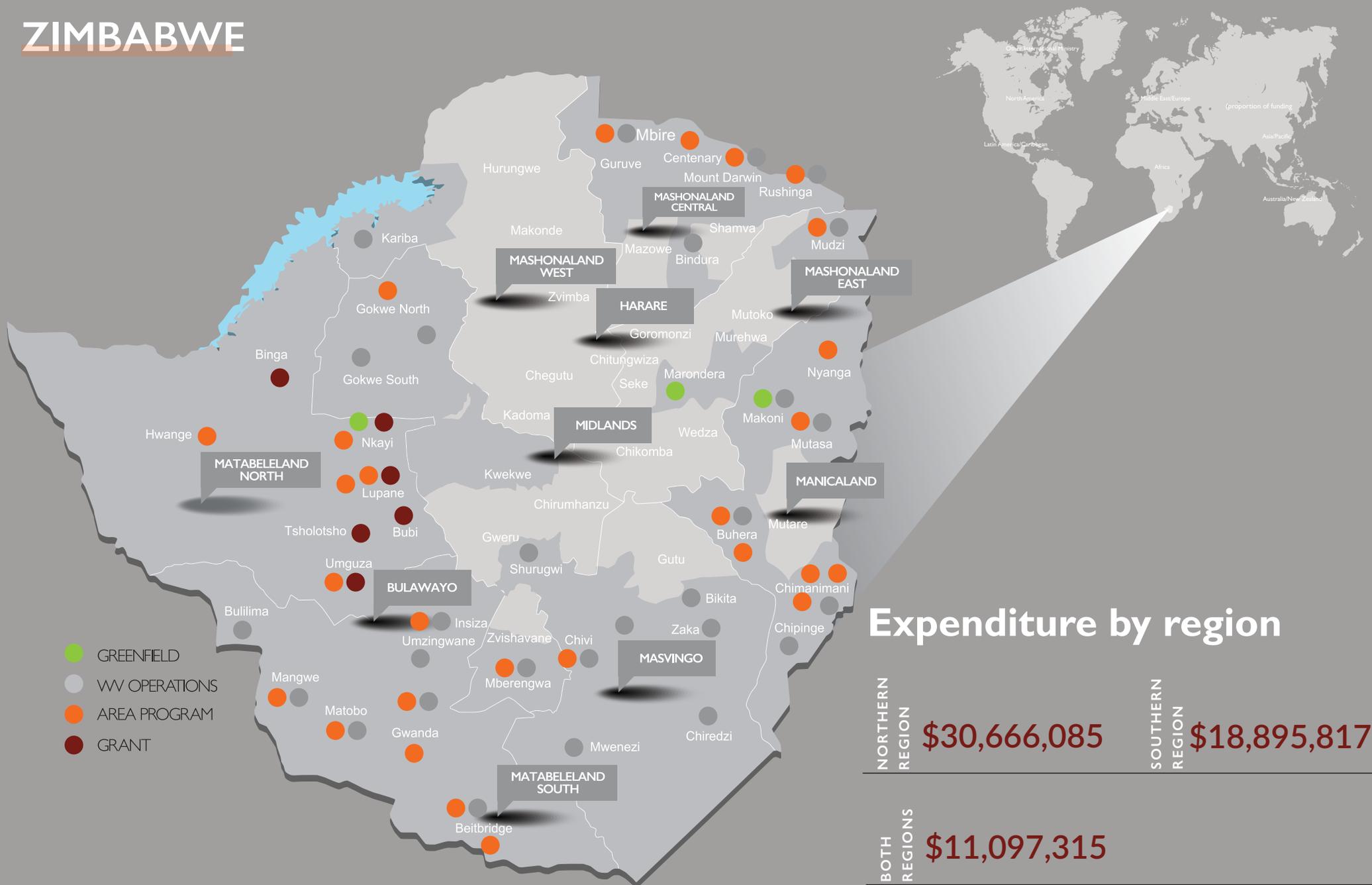


Income/Expenditure Summary

FUNDING TYPE	FY21 INCOME (IN US\$)
GOVERNMENTS, UN AGENCIES, MULTI-LATERAL INSTITUTIONS, SPONSORSHIP	25,311,508
RESOURCES IN KIND	28,051,748
LOCAL FUNDING & PRIVATE NON- SPONSORSHIP	9,680,609
TOTAL INCOME	63,043,866

EXPENDITURE TYPE	FY21 EXPENDITURE (in US\$)
PROJECT EXPENSES	60,659,219
EXCHANGE DIFFERENTIAL	16,354
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	60,675,572
FUNDS FOR THE FUTURE	(180,645)

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Our Partners

In line with our Global Strategy, Our Promise, WVZ collaborates and partners with various stakeholders including Government of Zimbabwe Ministries, institutions and departments. WVZ is indebted to the funding support received from local and international sources. In addition to thousands of individual contributors who support our programs we also received funding from the following:

World Vision Support Offices: WV Australia, WV Canada, WV Germany, WV Hong Kong, WV Netherlands, WV Spain, WV UK & WV US

Governments & Multi-lateral Institutions



Private Sector, Foundations & Other Funding Partners



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



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