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Oct 2020 - Sept 2021 (FY21)



Chairman of the Board of Directors
Hezekiel Nsibandé

Board Chairman's Remarks

The past financial year (FY) 2021, has been a difficult one, not only for World Vision Eswatini, but for the country as a whole. COVID-19 and the civil unrest in the country has greatly impacted how we effectively reached those we serve in the communities. However, I am delighted that, despite all odds, our Management and Staff managed to achieve their strategic goals all the same by adopting agility and innovation in reaching out to the most vulnerable children in our communities.

In keeping with good stewardship and ensuring prudent financial governance, the Board once again appointed Sizwe Nstaluba Grant Thornton as auditors for the National Office. We are pleased to yet again present approved audited statements as published on page 10 of this Annual Report. We look forward to continued accountability for the resources so graciously afforded us by our donors for improvement of the lives of Eswatini's children.

As we celebrate the achievements, we recognise the devastating effects of COVID-19 on our Board and World Vision family. We mourn the loss of our Chairperson for the Audit and Risk Committee, Mr. Gcinithemba Fakudze, who lost his life in December 2020. We also lost one member of staff during this time and continue to pray for God to comfort their families. We know that numerous staff, including all of us, were also impacted in their families, churches and social circles. The words of comfort I have are in Revelations 21:4 ("He will wipe every tear from their eyes"), and Psalm 34:18 ("The Lord is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit").

The Board, Management and Staff sincerely thanks our former Country Programme Director (CPD), Mr. Francis Dube, for his impactful contribution to WVE during his nine-year tenure; firstly as Operations Director (5 years) and as CPD (4 years). Under his visionary leadership, the organisation achieved many milestones, including substan-

tially increasing donor funds, thus enabling us to continue impacting the lives of Eswatini's children and communities. We would also like to congratulate Mr. Dube on his appointment as National Director for World Vision Malawi. We wish him nothing but the best and know that he will make a hugely positive mark there as well!

I am pleased to welcome another highly talented individual to the Board, in the person of Dr. Thokozani Nkambule. Dr. Nkambule, the incumbent Lidwala Insurance Managing Director, comes at a critical time when the organisation has just started implementing its new Strategy. We look forward to the valuable contribution and fresh-eyed perspectives he will bring to the organisation.

I also welcome the new National Director for WVE, Ms. Tinah Mukunda. Ms. Mukunda is not new to World Vision International, having served World Vision International since 2009 in different capacities. Before that, she worked for other NGOs and corporate institutions. She has served in numerous Boards in various capacities. With the wealth of experience she brings, I am confident she will make an impact in Eswatini and take the organisation to higher heights.

Let's Go Further on Our Promise to Eswatini's children!

Board Members



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Deputy Board Chairman



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Board Member



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Regional Leader & WVI Rep.

Tinah Mukunda - National Director



Tinah Mukunda
WVE National Director

National Director's Foreword

The year 2021 tested our resilience, resolve and commitment to the most vulnerable. We remained behind to respond. We reflect on the extraordinary achievements with humility. God has led us through the pandemic, blessed us with abundant resources, great partnerships and great staff. The fear of the virus could not stand in the way of our staff's commitment to the cause of vulnerable boys and girls. True to God's promises, our ministry was blessed abundantly far more than we could ever think or imagine.

Congratulations to the Board, management, staff and our partners for resounding delivery of Our Promise (Our Strategy). We shall not rest until every child enjoys life in all its fullness. I present, therefore, this report as testimony of what we jointly achieved in the 2020/2021 financial year.

Senior Leadership Team (SLT)



Juliana Filo
Hub Director, Finance & Support Services



Malingoana Ramafikeng
Hub Director, People & Culture Director



Banele Nkambule
Operations Director



Happiness Mkhathswa
Project Director
Likusasa Ngeletfu Project



Mandla Nkambule
Associate Finance & Support Services Director



Sakhile Dlamini
Advocacy & External Engagement Lead



Faith Ngwenya
People & Culture Manager



Bonkhe Mchobokazi
Design, M&E Manager

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

Our Core Values

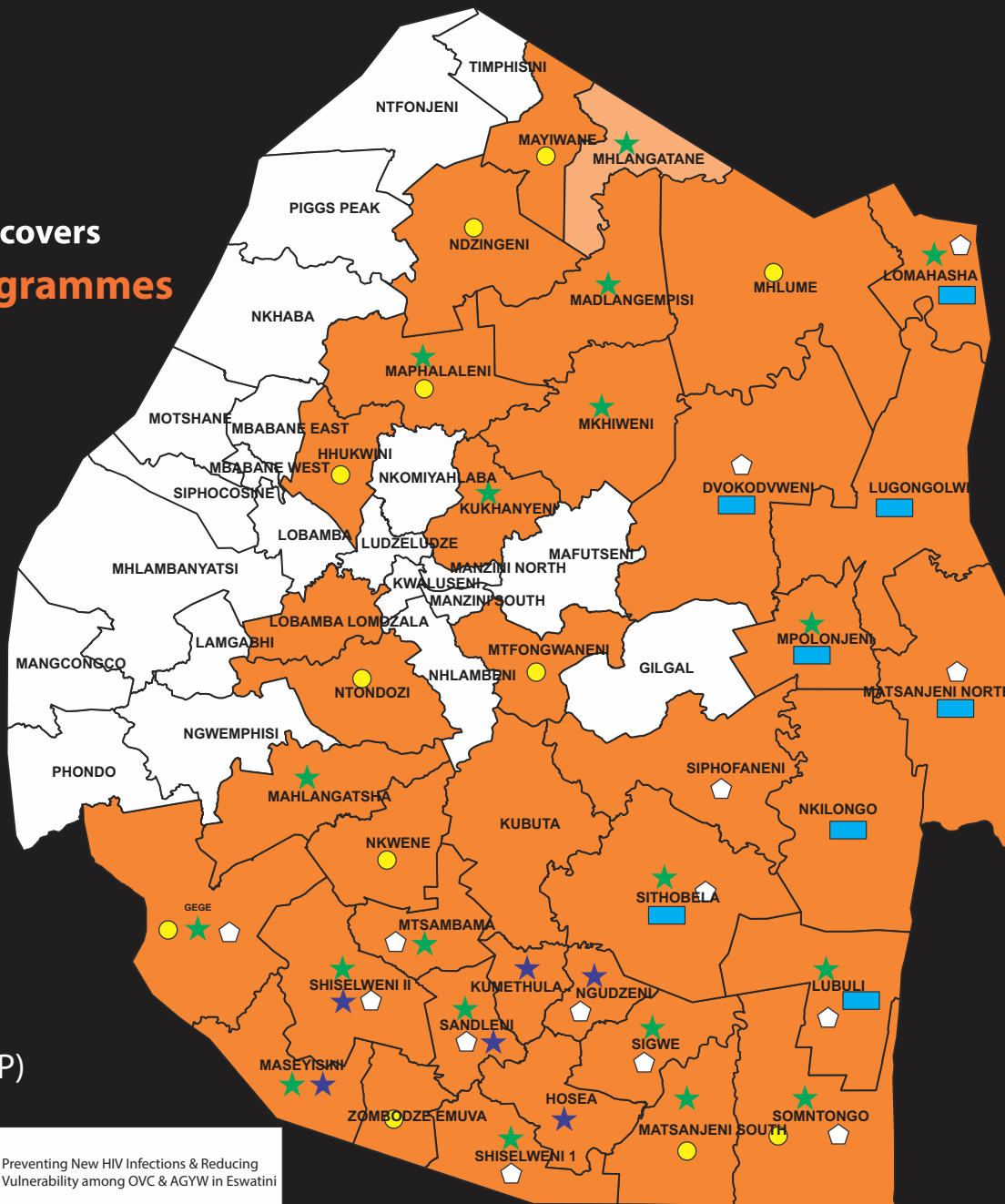
- We Are Christian
- We Are Committed to the Poor
- We Value People
- We Are Responsive
- We Are Stewards
- We Are Partners

Coverage of Eswatini

World Vision currently covers

19 Active Area Programmes

- Mhlosheni
- Maphalaleni
- Sithobela
- Mpolonjeni
- Matsanjeni
- Lubulini
- Madlangempisi
- Mkhiweni
- Mahlalini
- Shewula
- Ekukhanyeni
- Gege
- Somntongo
- Mtsambama
- Ngwavuma
- Mahlangatsha
- Mantambe
- Mhlangatane (New AP)



206 dedicated staff
impacting communities
across Eswatini

Four (4) Technical Programmes

- WASH
- Livelihoods
- Health and HIV
- Community Engagement & Sponsorship Plan (CESP)

Grant Projects:

- Preventing New HIV Infections & Reducing Vulnerability among OVC & AGYW in Eswatini
- Halting the Spread of HIV & Reversing its Impact in Swazi Society
- Building Community Capacity
- Maternal, Newborn & Child Health & Nutrition
- Climate Smart Interventions for Improved Livelihoods
- Livelihoods Strengthening
- Pregnant Women Cash Transfers
- Food Distribution Grants
- Women and Youth Empowerment through Strengthened Climate Smart Agriculture and Entrepreneurship

Key

-  Regional Boundary
 WVE implementing areas
 Response areas - WFP
 Area Programs
-  Preventing New HIV Infections & Reducing Vulnerability among OVC & AGYW in Eswatini
 Pregnant Women Cash Transfers
 Halting the Spread of HIV & Reversing its Impact in Swazi Society



Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

Goal: To achieve universal access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation and hygiene for **137,400** people in World Vision programming areas by 2025.



31,951

people with access to a basic drinking water source in communities



24,350

people with access to household sanitation facilities



60,428

people with access to household washing facilities

A tap for change

Of all the challenges faced by the rural community of Makhwekhweti about two decades ago, Obed Ngwenya remembers the lack of access to clean water as the most difficult to bear.

Now 64 years old, Ngwenya, who is the current Chairman of the Makhwekhweti community Water Committee, recalls how his own children used to struggle to get to school because of the distance and then come back and do household chores.

He says: "Our children would wake up as early as 3:30 in the morning to go bath in a river down the mountain, before walking approximately 7 more kilometres to get to school on time."

The health of the children in the community was deteriorating, with water scarcity not only making it difficult to have clean water to drink, but also to bath on a daily basis. Ngwenya says the little water the women could gather from the river would only be used to prepare meals and wash dishes.

"In my family we would only do our laundry once a month, as such we would often wear clothes more than once and until they were really dirty because doing laundry at the river would take my wife the whole day because of the distance she had to walk to get to the river," explains Ngwenya.

Seeing the Makhwekhweti residents' need, World Vision Eswatini decided to support. The Sithobela Area Programme partnered with World Vision United States Support Office to construct a water pump that supplied the community with water, benefitting over 409 households.



Some of the children from Obed Ngwenya's community who have benefitted from having water close to their homes.



One of the many families that now have access to improved sanitation and hygiene as a result of World Vision's WASH programme.



Livelihoods Technical Programme

Goal: To break the cycle of poverty for the most vulnerable households by strengthening families' capacity to provide well for **109,000** vulnerable children by 2025.



21,014

savings group members supported by WVE's interventions



7,219

producers' group members linked to markets



7,739

farmers provided with seed input



3,350

households sensitised on preventing degradation, pasture management through the Farmer Managed Nature Regeneration model



6,529

farmers or individuals trained in improved agricultural techniques, post-harvest storage, processing and value addition, Climate Smart Agriculture, soil and water conservation

Gift of one goat is feeding family 10 years later

Back in 2012, no one could have imagined that a small gift of a goat to a 12-year-old girl would one day feed a whole family and help send several children to school.

Phindile received her first goat from her sponsor, through World Vision Eswatini, and, since then, her gift has grown abundantly, thanks to goat-rearing skills gained over the past 10 years. At the time of the interview, just after the end of 2021, she had already sold a few goats from her stock of 32 to cover family expenses.

"Since this year started, I have sold five goats at prices ranging from Swazi Lilangeni (SZL) 850 to SZL950 each," she adds.

Phindile, a resident of Lomagengane Community under the Sithobela Area Programme, now 22, has, through her goats, been able to provide basic needs for herself and her family, including her eight (8) siblings.

"I was able to support myself through primary and high school and, now, I can buy my siblings their school shoes and, if my family happens to run out of food, I provide for them", she says.

Phindile is one example of children and families that use what they are given profitably to ensure a positive change in their lives. She says she wishes to continuously grow her business and ensure she and her family do not lack.



Phindile giving water to her goats



Health, HIV and Nutrition

Goal: To contribute towards the elimination of new infections, improved health and nutritional status of **122,000** vulnerable children (0-18) and women of child-bearing age by 2025



• **5,148**

pregnant mothers with children 0-23 months reached by CHWs



• **12,423**

adolescents reached with life skills education and HIV prevention programmes



• **9,269**

OVCs supported



• **10,145**

children reached with growth monitoring

Baby boy saved through mother's knowledge

The saying: "knowledge is power" is often underestimated or even taken for granted; however, Bonisile Lukhele from the Mamisa Community in the Lubombo Region has a distinctive story to tell of how information saved her unborn child's life.

Bonisile's lack of information about maternal health caused her to continue overworking herself even though she was pregnant and getting heavier as the months advanced. Thabsile Xaba, a Community Health Worker (CHW) from the area, noted this and was concerned.

"She would do chores that an intensely pregnant lady isn't expected to do since they may hurt the baby", Thabsile said.

She said Bonisile would bring several heavy jerry cans of water from their water source utilising a wheelbarrow nearly every day. After such a debilitating workout for a pregnant person, she would then proceed to water crops in her garden, without getting any rest.

According to Mayo Clinic's website, too much heavy-lifting and standing while pregnant could lead to pre-term labour,

low birth weight, ligament pain, decreased blood flow, and muscle strains like hernias. This is some of the information that the pregnant Bonisile lacked and World Vision Eswatini's Health, Nutrition and HIV Programme provided.

According to the Community Health Worker, although Bonisile's infant was born prematurely at seven months, which in itself can come with further complications, she believes the situation could have been far worse had she not received the information when she did.

Bonisile agrees: "I now realise that I was putting my child's health, as well as my own, at risk, but the information I now have will help me even in my next pregnancy."

She said Thabsile also encouraged her to get her child immunised at the nearest clinic and taught her the importance of breastfeeding, especially in the first six months, something she believes is responsible for her child's solid development, despite being born prematurely.

Today, she shares the knowledge she gained with other expecting women.



Bonisile (L) talking to Thab'sile who is a Community Health Worker

Child Protection and Sponsorship

Goal: To attend to child rights violations, lack of essential social services like birth registration and conducive learning environments, child protection services, and address challenges facing children like poor spiritual formation, gender inequality and lack of inclusion of children with disabilities in programmes by 2025.

Advocacy and Child Protection



50,948

registered children, (39 085 sponsored children)



145,312

children reached by WVE's faith-based programming



64,410

children participated in awareness raising campaign events



35,103

parents/ caregivers received information on child protection issues



1,230

children supported with birth registration



2,254

children trained in local level advocacy

Sponsored Sethu wins bronze in national competition

Sethu, a 15-year-old World Vision-sponsored child, became a small hero in her community after scooping third position in her category in Eswatini's national letter-writing competition for 2021.

The adolescent, who is from Shewula Area Programme, beat other learners from both rural and urban schools in the 13 to 18-year-olds' Siswati category. This feat saw her take home prizes that included a Samsung Galaxy A03s smart phone, a pack of books, a school backpack and many more prizes.

Speaking a few days after the prize-giving ceremony, the Form 3 student said, "I am still excited about the competition and I was congratulated in my school for being a winner and they were also happy for me at home."

She shared that this was her first time entering a national competition. Now, armed with a new confidence, Sethu vowed to do even better in the next year's competition, which she plans to enter again. The 2021 competition required learners to write a letter to a family member about their experience with COVID-19. Sethu decided to write about her experience after she was infected with COVID-19; an experience she says she will never forget.

"I would like to thank World Vision for providing transport for me to the prize-giving ceremony and back home safe", she adds.

World Vision's Advocacy and External Engagement Team Leader Sakhile Dlamini said, as one of the partners, World Vision saw it as an opportunity to hear the children's voices and had already identified the gap or need for psychosocial support for the learners.



Sethu (c) posing with her teacher and WVE Advocacy and External Engagement Lead Sakhile Dlamini (r)



Faith and Development

145,312

children who participated in SNC

6,217

SNC resources

319

trained Sunday School and Bible Club teachers

986

church and faith leader trained





COVID-19

Emergency Response

466

pregnant women

received cash transfer support for nutritional needs



2,781

beneficiaries

received cash transfers for household food needs; cash transferred is E1 985 634.00 (USD 131 586.08)



Food distribution to

177,057

beneficiaries in 39,560 households, translating to 2 998.18 Metric tonnes of rice.



1,875,252 mt

metric tonnes

Distribution of rice, maize, beans and oil to 39,530 beneficiaries



COVID-19 and drought leave many hungry

Living in drought-stricken Nkilongo Inkhundla, south of Eswatini, Jabu Tfwala says efforts to ensure they have food available for their families have been derailed by constant extreme heat, resulting in their crops getting dry and shriveling up.

"When we had rains in the past, we would plough various crops for food and, even this time, we had ploughed sweet potatoes, maize, pumpkins and legumes but it all dried up and died," says Jabu.

She says although other parts of the country received good rains, their area continued to suffer from drought, with the COVID-19 pandemic making things even worse as most people could not work. As such, when her family was amongst those selected in their community to receive food from the World Food Programme (WFP), through World Vision Eswatini, this came as a great relief for the family.

She states: "Before we started receiving this food, I mostly survived on selling firewood (in packs of SZL30)

and whatever my son could throw our way as he also doesn't earn much even though he's working." The closure of schools due to COVID-19 had made things worse for the family because all six children, who are still in school, depend on food from the school to have at least one meal per day, when things were really bad. She says, sometimes, the supper would be food crusts left over whenever they had cooked some mealie-meal during the day.

Jabu, who lives with two of her youngest children and four grandchildren, says as the drought conditions continue, they are now worried that the food relief support was coming to an end because they did not know what they would eat.

"We are so grateful to World Vision and WFP for helping us and we are asking that, if they can get more funds, they should please continue to help us because it's very difficult when you also have children to feed, yet you have nothing," says Jabu



Jabu Tfwala receiving her ration of food support from World Vision Eswatini, funded by World Food Programme.





It takes Eswatini

to end sexual violence against children

As part of a global campaign, World Vision Eswatini focusses its national Campaign, launched in 2017, on eliminating sexual violence against children in Eswatini.

Key achievements of the Campaign:



Ambassadors

- 9 Campaign Ambassadors were trained on Child Safeguarding and Child Protection, abuse, psycho-social support, as part of case handling, as well as the role of police, justice and social welfare personnel in case handling.

Radio

- Approximately 1 million people reached through radio jingles, talk shows and news stories on Eswatini Broadcasting and Information Services (EBIS)
- Over 700,000 reached through talk shows on Voice of the Church (VOC)

- 25,700 children reached through recorded messages on solar-powered radios due to COVID-19 regulations, which limited some of the planned face-to-face Campaign activities



Awareness creation:

Social Media

- 600,000 reached with campaign messages and posts through WVE and some Campaign Ambassadors' social media

Television

- More than 800,000 people reached through

Eswatini TV, including those watching online

Print Media

- 300,000 people reached through Eswatini Observer

- About 500,000 reached through the Times of Eswatini

Other Media

- 200,000 people reached through six (6) billboards strategically placed in areas of maximum traffic around the country.



Campaign integration into TPs

Technical Programme interventions integrating the Campaign aimed to curb sexual violation incidences. These included helping to reduce poverty; reducing children's exposure to sexual violence as a result of unsafe long treks to fetch water; reaching adolescent girls and young women with comprehensive HIV Prevention packages, including GBV awareness and empowerment to be more resilient to sexual exploitation; as well as community awareness and access to child protection information and services.



Livelihoods: A total of **21,014** Savings & Lending Groups were supported by World Vision and 7,219 producer groups were linked to markets.



Health: A total of **12,423** adolescent girls and young women were reached with comprehensive HIV/AIDS prevention packages, including the prevention of gender-based violence and empowerment to become more resilient to all forms of sexual exploitation.



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene: A total of **31,951** people gained access to clean water close to their homes.



Children Protection: A total of **35,103** community members were reached through awareness raising sessions and access to child protection information. A total of 64,410 children participated in child protection interventions facilitated by World Vision.





Financial Report

For the year ended 30 September 2021



WORLD VISION ESWATINI

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the year ended 30 September 2021

	Notes	2021 USD	2020 USD
Income	4	25 820 534	20 184 224
Project expenses	8	(25 897 013)	(20 348 775)
Gross deficit for the year		(76 479)	(164 551)
Other income	7	50 498	114 867
Operating deficit for the year		(25 981)	(49 684)
Finance income	6	25 981	49 684
Net surplus for the year		-	-
			SNG GT



WORLD VISION ESWATINI

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 30 September 2021

	Notes	2021 USD	2020 USD
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property and equipment	10	124 665	126 228
Current assets			
Financial asset	11	103 530	103 385
Accounts and other receivables	12	935 527	75 313
Cash and cash equivalents	13	884 501	2 215 545
		1 923 558	2 394 243
Total assets		2 048 223	2 520 471
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Reserves attributable to the Organisation			
Accumulated funds		970 109	970 109
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	14	961 642	1 221 272
Employee benefit provisions	15	116 472	122 904
Deferred income	16	-	206 186
		1 078 114	1 550 362
Total funds and liabilities		2 048 223	2 520 471
			SNG GT

The financial statements of World Vision Eswatini were approved by the directors on **31 March 2022** and signed on its behalf by:


Chairperson


National Director

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