

# Emergency Response

## SAVING LIVES, RESTORING DIGNITY AND RENEWING HOPE

Natural disasters like hurricanes and earthquakes can strike without warning, claiming thousands of lives in seconds. Man-made crises such as war and political instability unfold over time, ultimately putting millions at risk. Whatever the cause, a humanitarian crisis always delivers the heaviest blow to children in the most fragile, underdeveloped, and unstable parts of the world.

World Vision is distinctively capable of responding quickly, collaboratively and holistically to virtually any emergency anywhere in the world. Our crisis response team continually monitors global developments so we're ready to respond to the greatest needs. Motivated by the love of Jesus, we bring both immediate aid and resources for long-term recovery to the world's most vulnerable, helping to ensure lasting stability and hope. Through the Emergency Response Initiatives, World Vision commits to reaching at least 25 million people across Asia affected by humanitarian crises.



### Why Emergency Response in Asia Pacific?

Developing Asia is the most vulnerable region in the world. Despite Asia's dramatic economic progress since the 1960s, the region remains vulnerable to the threat of hazards turning into disasters. Continued exposure to a wide range of disaster risks can undermine the region's success in economic development and poverty reduction from over the past 50 years.

*Between 2000 and 2020, disasters triggered by natural hazards claimed at least 36,000 lives annually in Developing Asia, and more than half of fatalities globally*



**94 MILLION PEOPLE** are affected by disasters

*For every five people affected by these disasters worldwide, four were from Developing Asia*

*Of the \$135 billion in average annual global damage, more than one-fourth were experienced by the region*





# OUR APPROACH



## GLOBAL PRE-POSITIONING

Our trained emergency teams are situated across the globe in areas particularly prone to disaster and conflict. Strategically pre-positioning people and resources means World Vision can be on the ground within 24 to 72 hours, delivering food, emergency water and sanitation solutions, supplies and shelter.



## EXISTING PARTNERSHIPS

Our long-standing presence in thousands of communities with established infrastructure and close collaboration with the World Food Programme, the United Nations Refugee Agency, local governments and other key partners result in efficient and appropriate action.



## COMPREHENSIVE

Our groundbreaking experience in health and nutrition, economic empowerment, child protection, education, water, sanitation and hygiene enables us to provide emergency services and help develop and implement long-term, sustainable solutions tailor-made to the specific situation and needs of the community in crisis.

## THE UNIQUENESS OF OUR APPROACH

### Before

World Vision works with communities to develop disaster preparedness plans that map out local threats and identify how best to save lives and protect property thereby increasing their readiness and resilience.



### During

When a crisis does occur, our global staff activate pre-established logistical assessments, plans, programming standards and pre-positioned supplies from warehouses strategically located worldwide to help children and families get the support they need.

### After

After the initial response, we work alongside communities over the long term to establish permanent housing, sustainable sources of clean water, food security, access to quality education, access to healthcare and recovery loans to rebuild livelihoods and restore a sense of security in children.

### Long-term transformation

We work in thousands of communities worldwide to help people with not only humanitarian emergencies but a variety of ongoing needs by partnering with them to deliver a full solution capable of breaking the cycle of poverty.



# OUR IMPACT



*In 2020 alone, global humanitarian assistance reached over*  
**30.1 MILLION PEOPLE in 72 NATURAL AND**  
**MAN-MADE DISASTERS ACROSS 52 COUNTRIES**



*In 2020 in the Asia Pacific region alone*  
**16 MILLION PEOPLE WERE HELPED**  
**THROUGH 42 EMERGENCY RESPONSES**

*World Vision has*  
**43 REGIONAL and**  
**OVER 550 NATIONAL DISASTER RESPONSE**  
**SURGE TEAM MEMBERS**





## TYPHOON-AFFECTED FAMILIES FIND HOPE AND RESTORATION

Eight-year old Jobel and nine-year old Nikki's houses got damaged during Typhoon Rai's onslaught in mid-December 2021. Both girls miss their former houses where they could sleep in safety. Their families are currently using parts of their house that still has a roof. Like Jobel and Nikki, nine-year old Kenneth, a World Vision sponsored child, is living temporarily in his grandma's home since his house was literally turned upside down by the Typhoon.

Nikki's father is a farmer who earns around \$10 a day during harvest and planting seasons while Jobel's father is a construction worker who earns \$10 a day per project. Their mothers manage the home and are forced to stretch savings for several days until their husbands find steady work again. "We really need food nowadays because we are thinking about a lot of things like where to get money to repair our house and for our daily food needs," says Merylona, 48, Nikki's mother.

World Vision provided affected families in Pilar, Bohol with a food pack containing 10 kgs of rice, 9 canned goods, 1 kg of brown sugar, 10 packs of instant noodles, and 10 liters of distilled water.

Three weeks after Typhoon Rai made landfall in the province of Bohol, known to tourists for its Chocolate Hills, many of the towns were still without electricity, leaving families and children in darkness and in the cold as most houses were damaged. There was also no access to water since the water refilling stations had no power.

World Vision helped a total of 6,661 families through their emergency response team by providing 1,690 emergency shelter kits, 1,612 hygiene kits, 1,378 kitchen kits, 2,009 non-food items including mosquito nets and blankets, and 906 water purification packets in Bohol, Cebu and Surigao del Norte provinces.



*"These food items would help our family survive for days, especially since I have five kids and my husband has no regular work,"*

Malyn, 31, Kenneth's mother

## HIGH IMPACT PARTNERS

We are able to make a greater impact in communities thanks to our local and global partnerships within the private and public sectors.



## How you can SUPPORT Emergency Response



When you donate to World Vision's emergency response work, you support the most vulnerable in the wake of disaster.



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World Vision's focus is on helping the most vulnerable children overcome poverty and experience fullness of life. We help children of all backgrounds, even in the most dangerous places, inspired by our Christian faith.