Background
For more than 30 years, Somalia has experienced political instability and conflict, resulting in the erosion of social cohesion and the collapse of state and community structures. In addition, land degradation and erratic weather has left the country vulnerable to more frequent and larger magnitude droughts, devastating cyclones and frequent flooding contributing to further loss of livelihoods, extreme poverty, and large-scale population displacement.

Since 1993, the Program has been at the forefront of emergency response, establishing operations in difficult to access locations to reach those most in need. We aim to lift poor and marginalized households out of the vicious cycle of dependence by addressing the underlying causes of vulnerability to environmental and socio-economic shocks.

Where we work

Our Programming Approach
Through our network of four area offices and 13 sub-offices, World Vision layers and sequences emergency, relief and development projects through an integrated, multi-sector and year, area-based approach.

World Vision works alongside like-minded others at different levels (household, community and government) to promote an enabling environment where children and their families can thrive.

We endeavour to strengthen and diversify livelihoods, promote access to markets and financial services, increase access to basic services in health, nutrition, water, protection and education as well as enhance community governance and self-help mechanisms. We also enhance the capacity of civil society and government to lead development, as well as advocate for policies that support sustainable development, inclusive governance and access to services and protection for women and children.

Our Reach and Scale
With 350+ staff, we implement directly and through a network of local and international NGOs, civil society groups, and academic partners, layering and sequencing emergency and development projects in Somaliland, Puntland, Jubaland, SouthWest State, Hirshabelle, and Galmadud, in 78 out of the country's 90 districts.

World Vision is headquartered in Mogadishu to facilitate engagement with the federal government and UN and NGO sector, with the bulk of operations concentrated in the regional offices in Hargeisa, Baidoa, Garowe, and Doolow and their sub-office location, and a back-office support unit in Nairobi. This footprint allows for close management support of projects, enables community, district, state and federal government engagement, and facilitates coordination with UN and NGO mechanisms: a platform for country-wide emergency response of development programming.
Somaliland
Since 2006, World Vision has implemented health, nutrition, WASH, food assistance and livelihoods, natural resource management, disaster risk reduction, education projects targeting internally displaced populations, urban poor and geographically marginalized farming and livestock-keeping communities. As of 2022, World Vision operates in at least 10 districts.

Puntland
World Vision started operations in Puntland in 2010 covering interventions in health, nutrition, WASH, natural resource management, disaster risk reduction, education and protection targeting internally displaced populations, urban poor pastoralists and agro-pastoralists communities in Garowe, Eyl, Burtinle, Goldogob, North Galkayo and Jariban districts.

Galmudug
In 2022, World Vision started emergency response covering health, nutrition and WASH interventions in south Galkayo and Hobyo, targeting IDPs and agro-pastoralists communities with interventions.

Partnerships
Between 25 to 35% of our portfolio is implemented via a network of 20+ international and local partners in any given year. We not only partner in funding but also co-creating organizational capacity improvement plans to strengthen governance and management expertise and policy, enhance their technical skills to deliver high-quality and accountable services in: health, nutrition, education, protection, food security and livelihoods.

World Vision undertakes extensive partner vetting, including screening against various terrorist watch lists. Our ability to work in partnership with legitimate local authorities and capable and respected NGO partners has enabled the program deliver basic services to children and their families in the most difficult to access locations.

We partner as well with marginalized groups, including youth, women and children supporting them to champion local and national policies important to their future development.

Flagship programs

Somali Response Innovation Lab (SomRIL)
The Response Innovation Lab (RIL) is a collaborative humanitarian innovation initiative between World Vision, Save the Children, Oxfam and Civic. RIL’s purpose is to help promote innovation, cross-learning and collaboration in the humanitarian space achieved through four main pillars / services: convening and mapping; matchmaking and brokering; support and scale innovation (generate and share); and evidence (generate and share).

SomRIL has been able to downscale best practices to 31 local NGOs in Sudan, South Sudan and Somalia through its Resilience and Nexus Learning Action Network (R&LAN), building organization capacity for NGOs to undertake accountable service delivery and lead resilience-building process. LEARN MORE: [https://www.responseinnovationlab.com/somalia](https://www.responseinnovationlab.com/somalia)

Somali Resilience Building Program (SomReP)
SomReP is a consortium of OXFAM, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), CARE, Action Against Hunger (AAH), COOPI, World Vision and LNGO Shagadoon. It was formed following the 2011 famine.

SomReP is a multi-sector and multi-year nexus program with interventions covering the peace, humanitarian-recovery-development continuum, including food security and livelihood through farm and livestock sector development, economic empowerment and market systems development, disaster-risk reduction and climate adaptation planning, as well as assets rehabilitation and natural resources management.

The program has a Crisis Modifier mechanism, enabling it to pivot from development to emergency response aimed at protecting resilience gains. It partners with different levels of government, private sector and academia to strengthen early warning systems and zoological disease surveillance and response structures, as well as supports the development of enabling policies for livestock insurance and women’s access to banking. LEARN MORE: [www.somrep.org](http://www.somrep.org) about our innovation work.

Global Fund TB Control Program
Since 2005, World Vision has partnered with the Ministry of Health to deliver the TB control program throughout Somalia. Despite context challenges, the program has maintained operations including in difficult to access locations. Working through a network of international and local NGO partners, World Vision supports 105 TB managed facilities in 78 out of 90 districts across Somalia.

World Vision has built the institutional capacity of the Government in planning, monitoring and delivering TB services. Part of this is through salary support for over 700 staff, construction and equipping of all the TB facilities, diagnosis and treatment, disease surveillance. In 2013 and 2017, World Vision supported government to develop high-capacity Multi-Drug Resistant TB hospitals in Hargeisa, Mogadishu and Galkayo respectively.