World Vision is a global Christian humanitarian, development and advocacy organization dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. We serve all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or gender.

World Vision initiated operations in Burkina Faso in 2021 to respond to rising humanitarian needs, aiming to reduce suffering and strengthen resilience among women, men, boys, and girls affected by the crisis. Current programs in Burkina Faso span five regions, including Boucle du Mouhoun, Nord, Sahel, Centre, and Centre-Nord, which cover 26 communes.

Since its inception, World Vision assisted 405,483 people, including 241,991 children with food security, livelihoods, nutrition, health, WASH, protection, mental health, psychosocial support, cash/voucher transfers, and nonfood item distributions.

World Vision’s work in Burkina Faso is implemented through a hybrid approach of direct and partnering operations, working through vetted partners who already have a proven record of presence and are assisting the affected communities. Our commitment is to reinforce – not replace – national and local systems as part of the partnership-building process. We seek to build the capacity of our implementing partners, local government institutions as well as the functional community organizations with technical, institutional, financial, and logistical support. We build trusted partnerships with local partners and faith-based organizations to pursue our objective of saving lives, reducing human suffering and strengthening the resilience of people.
GOAL: To alleviate immediate human suffering and strengthen the resilience and self-recovery capacity of 1,000,000 conflict and humanitarian crisis affected people in Burkina Faso by 2026.

- Increase access to basic water, sanitation, and hygiene services
- Increase access to food and strengthen livelihoods
- Improve the psychosocial wellbeing of people, especially children
- Increase access to health care through community and primary health care strengthening
- Increase opportunities for youth empowerment
- Develop local sustainable partnerships

OUR RESPONSE GOAL & OBJECTIVES

OUR PRIORITY SECTORS

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

World Vision aims to increase basic access to WASH services in communities. In 2022/23, we focused on providing access to WASH for households, health facilities, and schools, coupled with promoting social behavioral change in hygiene and proper waste management practice. During 2022/23, about 120,376 people were reached with WASH interventions. We drilled 42 boreholes, providing access to clean water for 32,376 people — including 19,987 children — and assisted 38,163 people, including 16,888 children, with access to appropriate sanitary facilities. In addition, 49,837 households were trained on good hygiene practices and water treatment techniques.
**CHILD PROTECTION & SAFEGUARDING**

Our Child protection services are geared towards strengthening and formal and informal mechanisms to work effectively together to protect boys and girls from GBV, especially the most vulnerable, and improve capacity of religious leaders to act and influence socio-cultural norms to improve the well-being of children. We work with communities to prevent abuse, exploitation, and other violence against children; to ensure this is addressed effectively when it occurs; and to help and restore child survivors. In FY22/23, 152,379 people trained on child protection issues by religious and community leaders and 12,198 children participated in child-friendly space activities.

**FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS**

Because productive and resilient livelihoods are key to breaking the cycle of poverty, we empower families to provide well for children by strengthening skills and improving access to income. In order to meet immediate life-saving food needs for families, World Vision provide food assistance through cash and/or in-kind. In 2022/23, more than 19,705 people in 2,815 vulnerable households received food assistance in cash, 747 vulnerable households received food vouchers, and 623 young people and women from vulnerable households were trained in various trades. Each young person received a startup kit to help launch income-generating activities.

**HEALTH AND NUTRITION**

Our health and nutrition programs aim to reduce maternal and child mortality through improved health and nutrition practices. World Vision works to ensure that mothers, newborns, and children under five have access to quality essential healthcare services while strengthening the capacity of health workers to provide community and primary healthcare—including sexual and reproductive health services, immunizations, and management of malnutrition. In 2022/23, 25,728 children ages 6 to 23 months, including 12,556 boys and 13,172 girls, received nutritional assistance through the distribution of small quantities of Lipid Nutrient Supplement (LNS). In addition, we trained 130 community-based health workers on the LNS strategy. We provided vaccination to 4,464 zero dose and under vaccinated children including (2,353 girls and 2,111 boys).
World Vision international has been working in West Africa for more than 40 years to serve vulnerable children and communities. The West Africa Region is comprised of the following nine country offices: Burkina Faso, Central African Republic, Chad, Ghana, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal and Sierra Leone. World Vision West Africa has five (05) declaration of Humanitarian Responses delivering child protection, food & cash assistance, Health & nutrition, education and WASH programs: Mali, Niger, Chad, Burkina Faso and Central Africa Republic (CAR).

World Vision international declared the West Africa Hunger Emergency Response (WAHER) in April 2022 to address the high levels of food insecurity in the region and created a Crisis Advocacy.

Our ultimate goal is to ensure all children are cared for; protected, educated, and feel loved. Our strategy is a promise to build brighter futures for vulnerable children in West Africa. The Sustainable Development Goals guide our development and emergency-response programming.

Our initiatives are built on a theory of positive youth development and empower women and young people to be active agents of change for themselves and their communities. Our women and youth programs recognize the vital role of long-term developmental relationships that Our goal is to ensure communities are poised to meet the needs of on-farm and off-farm businesses by addressing intrinsic weaknesses in high-end value chains. The interventions reached 6,119 women and youth in the previous two phases.

Human rights including child rights are at the centre of World Vision’s advocacy and influencing for Burkina Faso. Our advocacy strategy focuses on child rights and child protection in crises; access to quality, relevant and inclusive education for all children; and immediate and long-term solutions to the severe food insecurity situation, including climate adaptation and mitigation. We work and coordinate across national, regional and global levels to hold duty bearers, regional bodies, and international actors to account on their commitments.

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