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Our National Impact Report, **2024**

This Annual Report provides an overview of the work of World Vision Ghana, from October 2023 to September 2024.

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& JUSTICE
FOR ALL
CHILDREN**

LIST OF ACRONYMS

AP	Area Programme	GHS	Ghana Health Service
CPA	Child Protection and Advocacy	GIK	Gift-In-Kind
CCPCs	Community Child Protection Committees	GIWASH	Ghana Integrated Water Sanitation and Hygiene
CWB	Child Well-Being	HEA	Humanitarian and Emergency Affairs
CWSA	Community Water and Sanitation Agency	HEAL	Healthy Environment and Wellness
CVA	Citizen Voice and Action	IMNCI	Integrated Management of Neonatal and Childhood Illnesses
CBO	Community-Based Organizations	LCC	Local Council of Churches
CHRAJ	Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice	LIFE	Livelihood Improvement and Family Empowerment
CLTS	Community-Led Total Sanitation	MMD	Metropolitan, Municipal and District
CCG	Community Care Groups	MHPSS/PFA	Mental Health and Psychosocial Support/Psychosocial First Aid
CFC	Celebrating Families Curriculum	MTMSG	Mother-to-Mother Support Group
CFV	Community Farewell Video	NCCE	National Commission on Civic Education
CUV	Community Update Video	NADMO	National Disaster Management Organization
CUP	Community Update Photos	NGOs	Non-Governmental Organizations
CEW	Child Expression Worksheet	OPD	Out-Patient Department
CBOs	Community-Based Organizations	PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
CHATs	Community Health Action Teams	RC	Registered Children
CIYCF	Community Infant and Young Child Feeding	S4T	Savings for Transformation
ICCC	Intra-Country Coordination Committee	TP	Technical Programme
DTST	District Teacher Support Teams	SDG	Sustainable Development Goal
EWV	Empowered World View	SHEP	School Health Education Programme
ECD	Early Childhood Development	VFG	VisionFund Ghana
FBO	Faith-Based Organizations	VBE	Village Based Entrepreneurs
FMNR	Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration	WSMT	Water and Sanitation Management Teams
GES	Ghana Education Service		

About us

As a global Christian relief, development and advocacy organisation we help children, families and communities overcome poverty and injustice, irrespective of religion, race, ethnicity or gender. Committed to making a positive and lasting difference in the world, and driven by our desire to serve God, World Vision has become a global leader in improving and transforming the lives of children, their families, and their communities.



Vision

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



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.



Core Values

WE ARE CHRISTIAN
WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE POOR
WE VALUE PEOPLE
WE ARE STEWARDS
WE ARE PARTNERS
WE ARE RESPONSIVE

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NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S FOREWORD



Laura Cristina Del-Valle
National Director, World Vision Ghana

Dear Friends and Partners,

It is with deep gratitude and unwavering hope that I present to you World Vision Ghana's Annual Impact Report for the 2024 Fiscal Year (FY). This report reflects not just our achievements and challenges, but also the enduring commitment we share to ensure that every child, especially the most vulnerable, experiences life in all its fullness.

In FY24, our work was guided by our vision: "Our Vision for every child, life in all its fullness. Our prayer for every heart, the will to make it so.

These are not just words; they are the foundation of our daily service across Ghana.

This year, we deepened our engagement with communities, government, and partners to protect children from harm, uplift families, and build sustainable systems that give every child a fair chance. Through programmes focused on child protection, education, health, nutrition, livelihoods, water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), and climate resilience, we were able to reach:

- **178,565 people (32,734 boys, 34,071 girls, 54,151 men, and 57,609 women) through livelihood programming.**
- **252,908 people (76,633 boys, 80,171 girls, 45,524 men, and 50,580 women) through WASH programming.**
- **83,370 people through health and nutrition interventions.**
- **91,465 people (36,501 boys, 37,550 girls, 8,358 men, and 9,056 women) through education programming.**
- **766,102 people (39,944 boys, 40,106 girls, 338,796 men, and 347,256 women) through advocacy programming.**
- **279,302 people (79,045 boys, 81,291 girls, 55,617 men, and 63,349 women) through faith-based approaches, including Spiritual Nurturing of Children (SNC).**
- **222,315 people (68,991 boys, 71,726 girls, 36,329 men, and 45,269 women) through humanitarian and emergency interventions.**

A special focus in FY24 was placed on the most vulnerable children, their families, and the communities in which they live. We invested in strengthening local systems, building capacity, and fostering partnerships that put children at the centre of development.

These milestones could not have been reached without the dedication of our staff, the trust of our donors and sponsors, the partnership of government and community leaders, and most importantly, the courage and resilience of the children and families we serve.

As we look ahead, we remain steadfast in our commitment to not only serve but to advocate boldly for justice, equity, and dignity. In every community, in every home, and in every child's story, we see hope, and it is this hope that drives us forward.

Thank you for walking with us on this journey of transformation. Together, we are building a future where every child can thrive. It has been an extraordinary privilege to serve alongside such passionate and committed colleagues, partners, and supporters. I will always carry with me the memories, lessons, and unwavering belief in the power of collective action to change lives.

Thank you for allowing me to be part of this remarkable mission.

Laura Cristina Del Valle

National Director

World Vision Ghana



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Dear Friends and Partners,

It is with great privilege that I present the Annual Report for the 2024 Fiscal Year. This report summarises our collective efforts, achievements, and steadfast commitment to improving the lives of the most vulnerable children, their families, and the communities in which they live across Ghana.

The year under review witnessed a change in leadership of the board on February 20, 2024.

Together with our partners and support from communities we serve, we achieved great results captured in this interactive annual report. In FY 2024, we worked with partners to successfully reach about two (2) million people, including the most vulnerable children, through interventions implemented across about 40 administrative districts of Ghana, and focused on relief, development, and advocacy efforts.

The Ghana Country Office launched its ENOUGH Campaign in Accra under the theme: "Building a World Where Every Child Thrives with Enough Nourishing Food". The campaign comes at a critical time when millions of children are suffering from extreme hunger and malnutrition. These issues include conditions like stunting, wasting, and even obesity. While this crisis is driven globally by an unequal food system, it is further worsened by conflicts and the climate change crisis. The ENOUGH Campaign highlights a powerful message: there is enough food in the world to ensure that every child can grow up with plenty, joy, and hope.



Dr. Mrs. Mary Amoako-Coleman

Board Chair, World Vision Ghana

In response to the Volta basin flooding in September 2023, the Office declared a "Category I Emergency Response and subsequently developed the Volta Basin Flood Emergency Response Plan to support humanitarian assistance to people affected by the floods due to the spillage of the Akosombo Dam. The 12-month project (October 2023 – September 2024) reached 16,074 beneficiaries.

As we look forward to implementing a strategy revision (FY 26 – FY 30) in our country programme, we count on the support of all partners, including the Government of Ghana, development partners, communities, civil society organisations, academia, NGOs, and the private sector.

Together, we can support Ghana's efforts to advance actions on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It is only in working together that we can continue to bring life in all its fullness to the over five million vulnerable children in Ghana.

Now, I invite you to explore highlights of our key results for 2024.

Board Chair

Dr. Mrs. Mary Amoako-Coleman



WORLD VISION GHANA STRATEGY

World Vision Ghana is implementing a five-year strategy from the 2021 to 2025 Fiscal Years (FY). The 5-year Strategy, named “Accelerating our Commitment to the Most Vulnerable Children has the goal of ensuring that “By 2025, World Vision Ghana would have reached 3.3 million vulnerable children through Empowered and Resilient communities with a special focus on most vulnerable children.” The Technical Programmes (TP) contributing to the strategy are:



Health Environment And Wellness (HEAL):

The HEAL TP seeks to ensure an “increased protection of 1 million most vulnerable girls and boys from infection and diseases through improved access to WASH and Health care services by 2025”.



Reading Improvement and Skills Enhancement (RISE):

The RISE TP seeks to reach “1.3 million most vulnerable children with improved learning outcomes through increased literacy for basic school children.”



Livelihood Improvement and Family Empowerment (LIFE):

The LIFE TP has the goal “to build and maintain peaceful, inclusive and cohesive families and communities that seek to promote love and justice for 1 million vulnerable children, particularly the most vulnerable”.

In 2024, World Vision Ghana successfully reached about two (2) million people, including the most vulnerable children, through interventions implemented across about 40 administrative districts of Ghana, and focused on relief, development and advocacy effort as illustrated in Figure 1 below.

Figure 1: Number of people reached through WVG's interventions in 2024

Direct Beneficiaries / Gender	People Reached Through Relief (Humanitarian) Assistance	People Reached Development Programmes	People Reached through Advocacy Efforts
Boys	68991	286921	39944
Girls	71726	297924	40106
Men	36329	199344	338796
Women	45269	235715	347256
Total	222315	1019904	766102

COLLABORATIONS AND EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENTS

World Vision Ghana collaborated with various stakeholders at different levels to contribute to improved child well-being. At the national level, WVG collaborated with key international organisations, including the United Nations (UN) agencies in Ghana such as the UN Resident Coordinator's Office, UN Population Fund (UNFPA), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF), and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

Furthermore, WVG engaged the Canadian High Commission, United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Ghana, Pangea Africa Limited, Farm Radio International, and Fair-Trade Africa. These collaborative efforts provided the platform for WVG to present its existing strategies, ensuring alignment with global initiatives for impact.

The engagements further facilitated the identification of joint opportunities to address critical Child Well-Being (CWB) challenges, focusing on: (i) Strengthening Community Systems, (ii) Reproductive Health, including Family Planning, Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health (MNCH), (iii) Teenage Pregnancy, (iv) Child Marriage, (v) Mental Health and Psychosocial Services, and (vi) Emergency Response.

Similarly, WVG engaged with corporate bodies and local non-governmental organisations for potential collaboration. The organisations included the Gold Fields Ghana Foundation, DDP Outdoor Limited, Vivo Energy Ghana, Daily Foods Limited, Pangea Africa Limited, Fair-Trade Africa, and the Secretariat for Civil Society Organisations (CSO) on the SDG platform. These engagements resulted in several initiatives, such as the 'Partnership for Sustainable WASH Programme in Damang' (Gold Fields Ghana Foundation) and billboard advertising of WVG's ENOUGH Campaign in selected locations in Accra in collaboration with DDP Outdoor Limited.

Additionally, WVG embarked on collaborative engagements with key state institutions, including the National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE), Ghana Commodity Exchange (GCX), the National Disaster Management Organization (NADMO), Ministry of Gender, Children, and Social Protection (MGCSP) and the Faculty of Renewable Natural Resources and Environment at the University for Development Studies (UDS), Tamale. The collaboration between WVG and UDS, for instance, focused on a joint research activity to monitor groundwater characteristics in Northern Ghana.



**LIVELIHOOD IMPROVEMENT
AND FAMILY EMPOWERMENT (LIFE)
TECHNICAL PROGRAMME**





KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



178,565 people

(32,734 boys, 34,071 girls, 54,151 men, and 57,609 women)

reached through livelihood programming, including the following interventions:



593 District Child Protection Committee (DCPC) and Community Child Protection Committee (CCPC) members were trained on their roles and responsibilities



2,937 community members trained as Citizen Voice and Action (CVA) working group members to facilitate local-level advocacy processes in their communities.



376 Savings for Transformation (S4T) groups were formed with **9,400** members (2,404 men and 6,996 women).



596 S4T groups consisting of 11,335 members benefited from the linkage to Vision Fund Ghana's Finance Accelerating Savings Group Transformation (FAST) loan products and services.



9 nurseries were established at Bawku West, West Gonja and Binduri Districts to raise **91,000** seedlings to support the restoration of degraded land sites in 25 communities.



Over 5,000 community members were trained in various livelihood activities, including beekeeping, animal husbandry, soap making, and dry season gardening.



The 2024 **"Green Ghana Day"** was commemorated under the theme "Growing for a Greener Tomorrow", including a tree-planting exercise at the Chipa Forest Reserve in the Shai-Osudoku District of the Greater Accra Region.

In pursuit of the Livelihood Improvement and Family Empowerment (LIFE) Technical Programme (TP) goal that seeks to "build and maintain peaceful, inclusive and cohesive families and communities to promote love and justice for 1 million vulnerable children by 2025," WVG implemented project models and approaches such as Building Secure Livelihoods (BSL), Saving for Transformation (S4T), Microfinance, Empowered World View (EWV) and Child Protection and Advocacy during the reporting period. The interventions were implemented in collaboration with stakeholders such as Vision Fund Ghana (VFG), government decentralised agencies and departments, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), and Community-Based Organisations (CBOs) to strengthen, among others, the resilience of household members to socio-economic vulnerabilities and structures for child protection and participation.

Improved Safe Environment, Resilience, and Life Skills for Vulnerable Girls, Boys, and their Families

To enhance child protection efforts, including identification, reporting and management of cases, 593 District Child Protection Committee (DCPC) members and Community Child Protection Committee (CCPC) members were trained to champion child protection and advocacy efforts at the district and community levels. The DCPC members included officials from the Ghana Education Service (GES) and the Department of Social Welfare and Community Development (DSWCD), while the CCPC members comprised opinion leaders and representatives of community groups.

Furthermore, community sensitisation sessions were organised to address child protection issues in various districts, such as the Bodi Area Programme (AP) in the Western North Region. The community engagements helped to strengthen collaboration between DCPCs and CCPCs, as well as with law enforcement agencies such as the Ghana Police Service and the Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice (CHRAJ). Communities were also supported in developing and implementing child protection action plans to raise awareness, implement, and monitor child protection initiatives.

Improved Accountability, Advocacy, and Good Governance for Child Protection

As part of efforts to strengthen stakeholder capacities to support effective social accountability and local advocacy for child protection services delivery, WVG facilitated training of 2,937 CVA working group members in local-level advocacy processes. Consequently, various CVA working groups were supported to develop and implement their action plans aimed at engaging duty bearers and service providers for improved service delivery within their communities.

Improved Relationship and Connection with God and Neighbours

World Vision Ghana collaborated with stakeholders, especially the Local Council of Churches (LCC) and Faith leaders, to implement interventions that fostered deeper relationships between children and God and their families and neighbours. As a result, 24,929 parents and caregivers participated in learning opportunities aimed at supporting children's spiritual nurture, including training on the EWV and Celebrating Families (CF) model. With support from the Transforming Households Resilience in Vulnerable Environments by 2030 (THRIVE 2030) project and Wa East AP, 1,676 community members (1,320 men and 356 women) from 58 S4T groups received training on the EWV module. The EWV training focused on leveraging local resources to address developmental challenges facing communities and reduce reliance on external aid, reinforcing a community-driven approach aligned with God's plan.

Improved Household Livelihood and Resilience for Sustained Child Well-being

Through the Saving for Transformation (S4T) model, WVG collaborated with partners to reach 82,142 people (15,059 boys, 15,673 girls, 24,908 men and 26,502 women) through sensitisation sessions and S4T membership activities, thus creating opportunities for household members to save and access soft loans from S4T group contributions. Accordingly, 376 new S4T groups were established, comprising 9,400 members (2,404 men and 6,996 women) who cater for 24,852 children, thus ensuring improved child well-being in areas such as education, health. The Microfinance model also created the opportunity for linking 596 S4T groups consisting of 11,335 members (with 48,388 children and other dependents) to the VGF's Finance Acceleration for Savings Groups Transformation (FAST) initiative aimed at providing credit to savings groups for economic ventures.

In FY24, WVG, VFG and Alliance Insurance scaled up an insurance initiative to reduce the financial burden of families while accessing health care services. As a result, 1,613 health insurance policies were sold, covering 8,027 members (4,156 females and 3,871 males) and 8,027 dependents (5,181 children, 1,937 spouses, 885 parents, and 24 parents-in-law).

World Vision Ghana leveraged the Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) approach to support the sustainable Natural Resource Management (NRM) efforts of communities. Through the FMNR for Sustainable Economic Empowerment & Development (FMNR4SEED) and FMNR for Positive Land Utilisation Systems (FMNRPLUS) projects in the Kassena Nankana West and Binduri Districts, respectively, over 600 farmers received training in land restoration practices, including tree planning through collaboration with the Department of Agriculture.

In ensuring that households have the requisite capacity to engage in sustainable value chains and generate profit, over 5,000 community members were trained in various livelihood activities, including beekeeping, animal husbandry, soap making, and dry season gardening. In the Bodi AP, 964 farmers (631 females and 333 males) received training in post-harvest management to reduce post-harvest losses. The FMNR4SEED project also supported 60 vulnerable beneficiaries (30 men and 30 women), including Persons Living with Disability (PLWD), with 120 ruminants (goats) in the Kassena Nankana West District.

The FMNRPLUS project in the Binduri District organised an Agricultural Market Linkage Fair in April 2024 in collaboration with stakeholders such as VFG, the Department of Agriculture and the Business Advisory Centre. The event attracted 510 participants and created business-to-business opportunities and a networking environment for stakeholders such as farmers, buyers, exhibitors and service providers.

The FMNRPLUS project partnered with NADMO and, Ghana National Fire Service (GNFS) to build the capacity of 1,835 community members (1,203 females and 632 males) from 20 communities in Community-Based Disaster Risk Management approaches. The content of the training included the development of a community vulnerability matrix and action plans.

Nine (9) nurseries were established at Bawku West, West Gonja and Binduri Districts to raise 91,000 seedlings for distribution and transplanting on degraded land restoration sites in 25 communities. The seedlings comprised 3,172 mango seedlings, 1,620 shea seedlings, 4,863 cashews, 1,990 kapok seedlings, 557 cassia seedlings, and 1,560 mahogany seedlings at four (4) nursery sites in the West Gonja District. Furthermore, WVG joined the Forestry Commission and other stakeholders to commemorate the “Green Ghana Day” under the theme “Growing for a Greener Tomorrow.” The consortium partners for the “Landscapes and Environmental Agility across the Nation (LEAN) project”, including the European Union and Rainforest Alliance WVG, planted 1,111 assorted Mahogany and Acacia seedlings on a one-hectare plantation at the Chipa Forest Reserve in the Shai-Osudoku District to mark the event.

SUCCESS STORY

Afishata: The story of a woman empowered through financial inclusion

Afishata is a dedicated businesswoman and farmer who lives in Nabori, a community located in the West Gonja Municipality of the Savannah Region of Ghana. Her testimony exemplifies the transformative impact of linking Saving for Transformation (S4T) groups to microfinance institutions to access their financial products and services. Together with her husband Abu, Afishata runs a thriving 8.5-acre farm. Their crops include groundnuts, maize and bambara beans, with groundnuts being their main source of income, fetching 500 cedis per sack and yielding 40 sacks per harvest.

[Read more:](#)



Afishata in her farm

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Today, Afishata stands as a beacon of success in Nabori, demonstrating how linking VSLAs to formal financial systems can alleviate poverty, empower women, and foster sustainable development in rural communities like hers.

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HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT AND WELLNESS TECHNICAL PROGRAMME



World Vision Ghana, through its Healthy Environment and Wellness (HEAL) TP, intensified interventions aimed at contributing towards the achievement of its goal: "Increase the protection of 1 million most vulnerable girls and boys from infection and diseases through improved access to WASH and healthcare services/interventions by 2025". Accordingly, the Office implemented project models and approaches such as Integrated Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (I-WASH), Community Health Committees (COMM), Channels of Hope for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (COH-MNCH), Positive Deviance/Hearth (PD/Hearth), Nurturing Care Groups (NCG), and Community-Led Total Sanitation (CLTS) in collaboration with stakeholders including government institutions, Civil Society Organizations (CSO), community members and donors.

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



252,908 people

(45,524 Men, 76,633 boys, 80,171 girls, and 50,580 women)
reached through WASH programming



86,400 people

(15,552 men, 17,280 women, 26,221 boys, 27,347 girls) gained access to
safe water sources at the community level through the provision of

26 solar-powered mechanised water systems,
13 boreholes fitted with handpumps, and **14** rehabilitated water points



41 schools with a total population of **12,744** students

(6,159 boys and 6,585 girls) and **21** Health Care Facilities (HCF)
were supported to access clean water, on their premises.



49,185 people from **6,823** households gained access
to basic sanitation facilities.



15,845 households constructed handwashing facilities,
benefiting **117,202** people.



292 Water and Sanitation Management Teams (WSMTs) trained in their roles and responsibilities, including revenue mobilization and record-keeping.



608 WASH entrepreneurs and artisans were trained to support local WASH services.



420 Faith Leaders (161 men and 259 women) were equipped to incorporate WASH messages into sermons.



Sagnarigu Municipal Assembly won the overall 2nd Baobab District WASH Award 2024, with Mion and Karaga Districts taking up the 1st and 2nd runners-up positions, respectively.

Improved access to safe water for multiple uses in communities and institutions

Using climate-friendly technologies, World Vision Ghana, in collaboration with stakeholders such as the district/municipal assemblies, Community Water and Sanitation Agency (CWSA) and CBOs, reached 86,400 people (15,552 men, 17,280 women, 26,221 boys, and 27,347 girls) with improved water sources at the community level. This was achieved through the provision of 26 solar-powered mechanized water systems with 269 communal taps installed, 63 household connections, 13 boreholes fitted with handpumps and 14 rehabilitated water points.

To enhance school environments for effective teaching and learning outcomes, 41 educational facilities, with a total population of 12,744 students (6,159 boys and 6,585 girls), gained access to safe water on their premises. This was accomplished through the rehabilitation of 12 non-functional water facilities, the provision of five (5) boreholes fitted with a hand pump, and the installation of 92 taps from water systems (including 24 taps located within five metres of latrines). Additionally, 21 Health Care Facilities (HCFs) were provided with clean water sources on-site through the installation of 26 taps connected to mechanized water systems and the rehabilitation of 11 water facilities.

Access to improved sanitation at household and institutional levels

World Vision Ghana, in partnership with District Assembly agencies such as Environmental Health Units, and GHS, as well as CWSA and CBOs implemented sanitation models and approaches such as Community-Led Total Sanitation (CLTS), sanitation marketing, and WASH financing initiatives including the WASH Loan Project to contribute to basic sanitation access for the financial burden of families while accessing health care services.

Besides, 6,823 basic sanitation facilities (comprising 231 flush/pour flush to pit latrines and 6,592 dry pit latrines with slab latrines) were constructed by community members with technical support from WVG and partners. These efforts resulted in 72 communities being declared Open Defecation Free (ODF) after verification by the District Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee on Sanitation (DICCS) and certification by the Regional Inter-Agency Coordinating Committee on Sanitation (RICCS).

At the institutional level, 2,984 school children (1442 boys and 1,542 girls) in 10 educational facilities gained access to basic sanitation facilities on their premises to enhance the environment for effective teaching and learning. The sanitation facilities were designed to ensure disability inclusion, sex-segregation and changing rooms for girls to support menstrual hygiene management.

Additionally, five (5) HCFs gained access to sex-segregated sanitation facilities constructed on-site for use by patients and healthcare staff. The facilities had menstrual hygiene management rooms to meet the unique needs of women and girls while accessing healthcare services in addition to being disability friendly.

Improved hygiene practices in households and institutions

World Vision Ghana and partners such as GHS and GES intensified hygiene promotion interventions that focused on using sensitization and demonstration of handwashing with soap under running water. Furthermore, community members received support training in the construction of appropriate but affordable handwashing facilities, such as tippy taps, to increase access to basic hygiene services. As a result, 117,202 individuals (21,097 men, 23,439 women, 35,513 boys, and 37,153 girls) in various programme areas gained access to 15,845 household handwashing facilities constructed during the reporting period. Additionally, 106,621 school children (51,188 boys and 55,443) in 503 educational institutions gained access to improved hygiene services through the provision of sustainable handwashing facilities to encourage handwashing with soap under running water. Similarly, 83 HCFs were supported with appropriate handwashing facilities to enhance Infection Prevention Control (IPC) through improved hygiene services for patients and health professionals.

Improved Capacity for Sustainable Delivery of WASH Services

World Vision Ghana and partners continued to enhance the capacities of communities and local governments in ensuring sustainable WASH interventions and services using measures such as the systems strengthening approach. Accordingly, 292 Water and Sanitation Management Teams (WSMTs) consisting of 2626 members (918 females and 1,708 males) were established and trained in areas such as revenue mobilization, functionality of WASH facilities and record-keeping practices.

In addition, 588 WASH entrepreneurs and artisans (364 females and 224 males) received training in skills such as construction, maintenance, and sale of WASH facilities. The training enhanced the expertise of participants and also contributed to the development of local WASH-related businesses, fostering economic growth and creating a network of skilled professionals to support sustainable WASH services.

The involvement and contributions of Faith actors such as Faith Based Organisations and churches in WASH programming improved significantly during the reporting period. Overall, 342 faith leaders (133 females and 209 males) participated in WASH programming approaches and promoting strategies, including 420 faith leaders (161 men and 259 women) who received training on the WASH Sermon Guide, a tool designed to incorporate WASH messaging into religious teachings.

Forty-two (42) CVA working groups, comprising 611 community members (157 females and 454 men), received capacity building in WASH-related advocacy and were supported to develop and implement their action plans that focused on WASH issues. At the institutional level, 229 schools and HCFs were engaged to adopt best practices in the operations and maintenance of their WASH facilities in collaboration with GHS and GES.

The 2nd Baobab District WASH Awards 2024 took place on 13th September 2024 at the Labadi Beach Hotel in Accra. The event, organized by WVG in collaboration with Global Communities and funded by USAID, aimed at promoting sustainable WASH services in Northern Ghana through a systems-strengthening approach. The Sagnarigu Municipal Assembly won the overall award, with Mion and Karaga Districts taking up the 1st and 2nd runners-up positions, respectively. Before the awards ceremony, a 1-day summit was held to market the WASH Investment Plans of Metropolitan, Municipal and District Assemblies (MMDAs) to prospective development partners, the private sector, and corporate Ghana.

World Vision Ghana collaborated with the Ministry for Sanitation and Water Resources (MSWR), GES, Kings Hall Media Limited and the Zoomlion Foundation to organize the 3rd Children Sanitation Fair and 5th School Sanitation Solutions Challenge. Master Abdul Yazid Faraj Timtoni Wumbei, a JHS student of Grace Holy Child Academy in Tamale, emerged as the 5th Child Sanitation Diplomat for 2024/2025. As part of the awards package, the Child Sanitation Diplomat would be supported to implement a 1-year project to promote environmental sanitation on behalf of Ghanaian children.





SUCCESS STORY

Water for the People: Transforming Lives of Communities Members in Fanteakwa District

In the Fanteakwa Districts, particularly in the Abourso community, residents once shared a contaminated water source with animals, leading to significant hardships. Patience, a community nurse, often had to walk miles early in the morning to fetch water before starting her work, while children like Grace faced long queues at hand pumps, causing them to be late for school and sometimes needing to return home for water during school hours.

In 2022, World Vision Ghana, supported by WV Korea and collaborating with key partners, constructed 46 water systems and 15 latrines in the Fanteakwa North and South Districts. This intervention has greatly improved the lives of nurses and children, who now have access to clean water at their schools and homes, ensuring timely attendance and reducing fatigue.

To sustain these improvements, WV has trained over 32 mechanics in collaboration with the District Assembly to maintain the facilities, with the water and sanitation management team overseeing the measures to ensure their upkeep.

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HEALTH AND NUTRITION

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



83,370 people reached through health and nutrition interventions



21,240 people (5,735 girls, 5,294 boys, 7,196 women, 3,015 men) benefited from the PD/Hearth model to reduce maternal and child malnutrition.



26,537 pupils (14,233 girls and 12,304 boys) from 100 schools in the Upper Denkyira West District benefited from recommended doses of Albendazole 400mg for Soil-Transmitted Helminth (STH) and Praziquantel 600mg for Schistosomiasis.



12,737 people (4,011 boys, 4,346 girls, 1,840 men and 2,540 women) benefited from the Community Health Worker (CHW) programme



Dodo-Tamale Community Health Management Committees (CHMC) in the Kadjebi District helped to renovate an abandoned building into a CHPS compound to serve **1,860** people (758 women, 612 men, 293 girls, 197 boys).

Reducing maternal and child malnutrition

World Vision Ghana's interventions through the PD/Hearth model reached 21,240 people (5,294 boys, 5,735 girls, 3,015 men and 7,196 women) aimed at helping rehabilitate malnourished children (aged between six and 36 months) in their own homes in partnership with GHS. For example, 72 moderately and severely malnourished children in the Agortime-Ziope, Wa West, and Zabzugu APs were rehabilitated using the PD/Hearth model. Through the model, nutrient-dense foods were prepared and fed to these children, enhancing their health and nutritional status. Caregivers also gained valuable knowledge in child nutrition during counselling and food demonstration sessions to help them adopt positive nutrition behaviour changes, including the preparation of 4-star diets. Similarly, WVG and GHS sensitized 1,111 community members (560 women, 131 men, 340 girls, and 80 boys) in the Krachi Nchumuru AP on Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) practices, including micro-nutrients (iron, folic acid, vitamin A, and iodine). Community Health Committees (COMM) were also supported to effectively discharge their duties as part of the continuum of care. Forty-five (45) Community Health Officers in the East Gonja District, therefore, participated in refresher training to effectively support health outreaches and promotions in rural areas.

Communities have access to improved healthcare facilities and services.

World Vision Ghana supported GHS and GES in the Upper Denkyira West District to organize a health awareness week in the Diaso AP. As part of the event, 277 children were screened for Hepatitis B and Yaws and vaccinated accordingly. In response to the increased cases of Soil-Transmitted Helminths (STH) and Schistosomiasis in the Upper Denkyira West District, a total of 26,537 pupils (14,233 girls and 12,304 boys) were reached with recommended doses of Albendazole 400mg for Soil-Transmitted Helminth (STH) and Praziquantel 600mg for Schistosomiasis during mass deworming and sensitization sessions for children in 100 schools.

Caregivers have knowledge of preventable diseases and appropriate health-seeking behaviour.

Understanding preventable diseases and the importance of timely health-seeking behaviours is crucial for community members to effectively manage and respond to health risks. Therefore, WVG, in collaboration with the Haven of Love Children Foundation, organized sensitization sessions for 185 pupils in six (6) basic schools in the Bawku West AP on adolescent reproductive health and other preventable diseases. The topics focused on Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs), typhoid, cholera, menstrual hygiene, balanced diets, and drug abuse.

World Vision Ghana supported GHS to enhance the capacity of the Community Health Worker (CHW) programme. In the Bawku West and Garu-Tempane APs, 108 CHMC members (45 women, 63 men) received training in the COMM core model and subsequently supported health staff to undertake growth monitoring and vaccination exercises for 5,468 children (2,651 boys and 2,817 girls). Cumulatively, 12,737 people (4,011 boys, 4,346 girls, 1,840 men and 2,540 women) benefited from holistic and sustainable community-based services offered by CHWs, including home visits across APs.

Communities have the capacity to advocate for change and accountability in healthcare services delivery.

The Health and Nutrition programme continued to support Ghana Health Service (GHS) and other collaborators in Empowering Community Health Management Committee (CHMC) with the COMM core project model. Monitoring and coaching visits to COMM and other community health groups created opportunities for providing further capacity building. In the Zabzugu AP, CHMC and CVA working groups were supported to implement their action plans that resulted in the renovation of two (2) health facilities and the construction of new facilities in three (3) Community-Based Health Planning and Services (CHPS) zones. The Dodo-Tamale COMM in the Kadjebi AP facilitated the renovation of an abandoned building into a CHPS compound to serve 1,860 people (758 women, 612 men, 293 girls, 197 boys). The Agortime CHMC (Agortime-Ziope AP) raised 56,000 Ghana Cedis (GH¢), equivalent to USD 3,900.00, towards the building of a structure at the health centre.

At the national level, the WVG ActiWest Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) Programme supported relevant stakeholders such as the National NTD Programme, Intra-Country Coordinating Committees (ICCC) for NTDs, the Ministry of Health (MoH), GHS, and the ActiWest consortium to advance measures to reduce the prevalence of NTDs in Ghana. To this end, WVG supported the development of a proposal to the National Health Insurance Authority (NHIA) and follow-up stakeholder engagements to expand the National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) benefits package regarding NTDs.

Increasing economic opportunities of households for enhanced access to health care services

As part of efforts to support vulnerable households to increase their incomes, WVG trained 100 women in the East Gonja AP to acquire alternative livelihood skills in soap production. To widen the impact and sustainability of the initiative, the programme provided these women with the necessary equipment and materials to cascade the training to others in their communities. As a result, an additional 600 women across the 10 targeted communities benefited from the training, expanding the reach and promoting economic empowerment for women in the area.



SUCCESS STORY

Dodo-Tamale, a Community that gets CHPS Compound Through (CHMC)

Dodo Tamale, a lush community in Ghana's Kadjebi District, primarily grows cocoa, rice, maize, and cassava. In 2015, a Community Health Management Committee (CHMC) was formed but remained inactive until World Vision Ghana's training in 2023 revitalized it. The training empowered the committee to mobilize resources and improve health services, addressing the lack of a local health facility. Now, two health workers serve approximately 1,860 residents, including children like Emeritina, who no longer need to travel long distances for healthcare. This initiative aligns with World Vision Ghana's goal of enhancing community health through strengthened local systems.

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I am glad we have a health facility in our community now. At first, I had to travel long distances with my mom to access healthcare anytime I fell ill. Now, everything is at our doorstep; the health facility is just a few minutes away.

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READING IMPROVEMENT AND SKILLS ENHANCEMENT (RISE) TECHNICAL PROGRAMME



The RISE Programme made significant strides toward ensuring that 1.3 million vulnerable school-age children achieve grade-level reading comprehension by 2025. This progress was facilitated through the effective implementation of models such as Unlock Literacy (UL), Learning Root (LR), and CVA across seven (7) APs: Krachi Nchumuru, Krachi West, Diaso, Kadjebi, Agotime-Ziope, Afram Plains, and Fanteakwa.



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS:



91,465 people

(36,501 boys, 37,550 girls, 8,358 men, and 9,056 women) reached through education programming, including the following specific interventions:



33,325 people (13,110 boys, 13,922 girls, 2,981 men, and 3,312 women) reached through the Unlock Literacy (UL) model.



45,362 people, especially teachers and children (17,943 boys, 19,050 girls, 3,976 men, and 4,393 women) participated in the Learning Root model-related activities.



3,920 people participated in Career Day events organized in Kadjebi, Krachi Nchumuru, Fanteakwa, and Afram Plains APs.



3,523 parents and caregivers (2,224 females, 1,299 males) participated in parental awareness sessions.



27,752 children (11,803 boys and 15,949 girls) participated in after-school activities to enhance their literacy skills.



83 adolescents (56 females and 27 males) were enrolled in vocational skills training programs and supported with working tools, while **433** reading club facilitators received training in alternative livelihood opportunities, including soap production and bee-keeping.

Enhanced School Environment and Teacher Support for Increased Reading Performance of Children

To strengthen the resilience of vulnerable groups and foster sustainable learning environments, a total of 83 adolescents (56 females, 27 males) were enrolled in vocational and skills training programs. These trainings, spanning up to three years, focused on practical livelihood options such as dressmaking, hairdressing, baking, phone repairs, and furniture making. The initiative aims to enhance economic opportunities for young people, particularly those who have dropped out of school and are vulnerable adolescents.

Moreover, 433 reading club facilitators were trained in alternative livelihoods, including animal rearing, beekeeping, detergent production, and bead-making. This intervention was designed to help reduce high attrition among facilitators by equipping them with income-generating skills. Hence, the volunteers are motivated to continue facilitating reading clubs' activities.

Furthermore, as part of the 2024 Green Ghana Day, children from 32 schools participated in planting 400 paper and Cidera tree seedlings on school premises. This environmental initiative was implemented in collaboration with the Ghana Education Service (GES), Forestry Commission, and community leaders. It contributed to the national target of planting 10 million trees while instilling environmental consciousness and climate action among learners.

Improved community networks and support for children learning

In partnership with GES and LCC, WVG organizes a Trainer of Trainers (ToT) workshop on Celebrating Families (CF) for 32 head teachers in Afram Plains AP to promote a safe and nurturing school environment and to foster gender equity in leadership roles within the education sector.

As a means to strengthen community participation in primary education, a 2-day training session for 68 executives of Parent Associations (PAs) and School Management Committees (SMCs) was organized in the Kadjebi AP. This training aimed to equip PAs and SMCs to deliver their mandates effectively and to sustain the outcomes of literacy interventions in the district.

Measures taken to provide supportive learning opportunities for vulnerable girls and boys in communities included training of 430 Reading club facilitators and 34 Community Action Core Group (CACG) members to facilitate community engagement in educational initiatives. Besides, the CACG were supported to embark on monitoring visits to targeted communities and provide on-site assistance to reading clubs.

Parental awareness meetings held in the Afram Plains, Fanteakwa, and Krachi Nchumuru APs created the opportunity to educate 640 parents/caregivers on methodologies of the UL and LR models. The engagements introduced the participants to some activities they could use to support children's literacy development at home, including crafting reading materials and establishing reading corners.

To enhance the quality of education and strengthen child-centred pedagogical skills, WVG partnered with WWV Canada and the Kenya Institute of Public Policy Research and Analysis (KIPPRA) to conduct a study in the Krachi West and Krachi Nchumuru APs. The study involved 280 children, 144 teachers, and 20 education officials and focused on strengthening teacher professionalization and promoting effective teaching strategies in ensuring that children have a safe and nurturing community environment to thrive. One key finding was about the UL model's success in fostering a love for reading, with 99.9% of children interviewed confirming its positive impact. Also, 64.6% of the teachers interviewed indicated that the UL model provided clear goals for teacher professional development and well-being.

Supportive learning opportunities for vulnerable girls and boys in communities

World Vision supported GES to train 430 reading club facilitators and 34 Community Action Core Group (CACG) members, thus enhancing community engagement in educational initiatives. Consequently, CACG in seven (7) APs conducted monitoring visits to 300 reading clubs. The visits created the opportunity to observe children's participation in club activities and support to reading club facilitators.

A total of 3,523 parents and caregivers (2,224 females and 1,299 males) participated in the parental awareness sessions as part of the UL model across the seven (7) APs. The sessions focused on integrating literacy-promoting activities into everyday household routines and the role of parents in fostering children's literacy and creating supportive learning environments in the households. Monitoring reports showed that 27,752 children (11,803 boys and 15,949 girls) participated in after-school activities such as reading clubs to improve their literacy skills.

The Krachi Nchumuru held the 2024 edition of the annual Community Writers' workshop, where 30 stakeholders, including teachers, civil servants, farmers and children, supported to development of 60 stories, which were later published and distributed to book banks at the reading clubs.

World Vision Ghana and the Upper Denkyira West District Education Directorate organized a reading festival and spelling bee competition in the Diaso AP involving 836 school children (405 boys and 431 girls). The support included the provision of 20 backpacks, 360 exercise books, 600 pencils, 600 coloured pencils, and 600 supplementary storybooks. Generally, parents/caregivers expressed satisfaction with the event and highlighted the importance of parental support in education.

Enhancing the resilience of communities to promote learning

A total of 83 adolescents (56 females, 27 males) were enrolled in vocational and skill training programs to enhance their resilience and economic opportunities. The vocational training options included dressmaking, hairdressing, baking, phone repairs and furniture making for a period of up to three (3) years. Similarly, 433 reading club facilitators received alternative livelihood skills training in animal rearing, bee-keeping, soap and detergent (liquid soap) production, and bead-making.

Children in 32 schools were mobilized to plant 400 paper and cidra tree seedlings on their school premises in commemoration of the 2024 Green Ghana Day through a collaborated effort of stakeholders such as the GES, Forestry Commission and community leaders. The initiative sought to contribute to the national goal of planting 10 million seedlings while promoting climate change awareness and action.

SUCCESS STORY

Inclusive Education: Rose's Journey to Hope and Empowerment

In the quiet community of Tantu in Krachi West, 13-year-old Rose's life has been a testament to resilience and transformation. Born with multiple disabilities, Rose faced significant challenges, including community stigma and limited access to specialized education. Her parents, Philip and Philomena, struggled to balance their roles as peasant farmers and full-time caregivers. However, a health screening by World Vision Ghana and the Ghana Health Service identified Rose as needing immediate support. World Vision provided financial aid and educational materials, enabling Rose to enroll in a special school. This support not only improved Rose's life but also allowed her parents to focus on their farm, enhancing their income. Additionally, World Vision's awareness campaigns in 18 communities helped reduce stigma and promote inclusion for children with disabilities. Rose's journey highlights the power of inclusive education and community support, demonstrating that with the right resources, every child can thrive.

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“

Now that Rose is in school, my husband and I can focus on our farm. We've expanded it, and our income has improved

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CHILD PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS:



766,102 people

(39,944 boys, 40,106 girls, 338,796 men, and 347,256 women) reached through advocacy programming, including the following key activities:



131,565 people

(38,355 boys, 39,759 girls, 22,000 men and 31,451 women) were reached through the Child Protection and Advocacy model.



WVG hosted **70** children from all 16 regions of Ghana from 22nd -24th June 2024 at the model children summit of Pact of the Future.



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464,214 people were reached through trainings and interventions carried out using the CVA model to empower communities in advocacy processes.



WVG supported stakeholder efforts aimed at influencing **8** policies at the national level.



911 chickens were distributed to **359** vulnerable children during the launch of the ENOUGH Campaign across **6** Area Programmes

Child Protection

As a child-safe organization, WVG remains dedicated to creating safe communities for children by implementing various child protection interventions. As a result, a total of 131,565 people (38,355 boys, 39,759 girls, 22,000 men and 31,451 women) were reached through the Child Protection and Advocacy (CPA) model's interventions. The activities included the formation and strengthening of DCPCs and CCPCs, connecting these committees to referral agencies such as the Domestic Violence and Victim Support Unit (DOVVSU), CHRAJ, GHS, and DSWCD, and community education on child rights and child protection.

In the Wa West AP, 342 producer group members were identified and trained to serve as child protection advocates to complement the efforts of the CCPCs. Similarly, community sensitization sessions organized in the Kpandai AP focused on topics such as child protection reporting and referral mechanisms, and Gender Equality and Social Inclusion reached 1,750 people (699 males and 1,051 females).

To equip staff with the requisite knowledge and skills to transform systems, social norms, and relations for improved child well-being, WVG organized GESI training for 35 employees. Topics discussed included GESI definitions, domains and continuum. Furthermore, the Kpandai AP engaged 2,007 students (1,123 girls and 884 boys) on GESI and other topics such as child rights and child protection.

Child Participation

World Vision Ghana collaborated with Ministry of Gender, Children, and Social Protection (MGCSP), Plan International, UNICEF and other stakeholders to organize the 5th Sitting of the National Children's Parliament on Monday, 20th November 2023, in Tamale, Northern Region, as part of commemorative activities for the "World Children's Day." The event, themed "Advocating for every child, every right," sought to promote the welfare of children per the principles of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). The children also used the occasion to call for a concerted stakeholder front in addressing issues such as hunger and malnutrition, online safety, girl child education, and child marriage.

With support from the Office of the President of Ghana, MGCSP, and other organizations, WVG hosted 70 children from all 16 regions of Ghana (including 50 children from WVG APs) from 22nd -24th June 2024 at the Model Children Summit of Pact of the Future. The mentorship session created the platform for children to discuss progress and challenges related to the SDGs and subsequently presented a resolution to the Minister for Gender, Children and Social Protection, covering topics such as food systems and agriculture, digital connectivity, education, social protection, and climate change. Akosua, from the Diaso AP, chaired the summit and presented the resolution.

To enhance child participation in governance and decision-making, the joint boards of WVG and VFG engaged 28 kids club members in the Fanteakwa AP in February 2024. Using a child-friendly feedback mechanism, the children contributed to discussions about their well-being and involvement in decision-making processes. They urged WVG to intensify interventions focusing on teenage pregnancy, child marriage and also for the government to scale up the school feeding programme.

Advocacy

World Vision Ghana reached 464,214 people (23,816 boys, 23,912 girls, 204,984 men, and 211,502 women) with advocacy and related interventions. The Office trained 100 staff and partners (21 females and 79 males), including officials from district agencies such as DSWCD and NCCCE in the Citizen Voice and Action (CVA) model and its database management. The training aimed to empower communities in local level advocacy processes to effectively engage duty bearers and service providers for improved delivery of services that impact the well-being of children.

During the reporting period, WVG contributed to policy influence and changes at the national levels with significant impact on the well-being of about 12 million children. Overall, eight (8) policies were supported namely: (i) National Health Care Strategy 2024-2030, (ii) Nursing/Midwifery Strategic Plan and Service Framework, 2024-2028, (iii) The first Ghana Presidential Compact on WASH 2024, (iv) The Revised National Water Policy which received cabinet approval and was launched in 2024, (v) National policy for Aflatoxin control in food and feed, (vi) Wildlife Management Resource Bill, (vii) Affirmative Action Bill passed by Parliament and assented by the President of the Republic of Ghana, and (viii) National roll-out of Integrated Social Services by the MGCSP.

ENOUGH Campaign

World Vision Ghana participated in the continental ENOUGH Campaign launch on 21st February 2024 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The delegation included Emmanuella, a “Global Changemaker” who, in her speech, called on governments and key stakeholders to address the critical need to ensure adequate nutrition for children, particularly girls, as malnutrition can have long-lasting consequences on their development.

At the national level, WVG launched its ENOUGH Campaign on 17th July 2024 at the Movenpick Ambassador Hotel in Accra under the theme: “Building a World Where Every Child Thrives with Enough Nourishing Food.” The event was chaired by Professor Ivy Drafor-Amenyah, Ghana Telecom University College, while Hon. Alexander Akwasi Acquah (Deputy Minister of Health) delivered the keynote address on behalf of the Minister of Health. A total of 153 guests attended the event, including representatives from key Ministries and Departments CSOs, NGOs, the media, Traditional leaders, District Assemblies, and WVG staff.

World Vision Ghana aligned the launching of the ENOUGH campaign in six (6) districts, namely Afram Plains, Bawku West, Fanteakwa, Garu-Tempane, Kadjebi, and Krachi West APs, with the commemoration of the 2024 World Food Day. During the events, 911 chickens were distributed to 394 beneficiaries from vulnerable households with funding support from WV Korea and aimed at helping to help eradicate hunger and malnutrition and promoting easy access to safe and nutritious food for everyone.

The organization held a stakeholder dialogue on 10th September 2024 to discuss food security, nutrition, and the quality of school meals in Ghana. The event brought together representatives from stakeholders, including the Ministry of Health (MoH), GHS, CSOs, and the Ghana SDG Platform. Policy recommendations at the event included the need to implement government health and nutrition policies to make nutritious food more affordable, to educate students about nutrition, to promote balanced diets using the Four-Star Diet model, and to regulate imports of unhealthy foods.



SUCCESS STORY

Improving Access to safe water in Denchemoase in Bodi Area Programme

Denchemoase is a community in the Bodi Area Programme that lacked social services, including access to safe water for households. Most community members and children resorted to walking long distances to adjoining communities to fetch water for domestic use. Hence, children in the Denchemoase community often missed school due to the long distances travelled in search of water and illnesses resulting from the use of unsafe sources of water, such as rivers and ponds.

With the inception of the Citizens Voice and Action (CVA) by World Vision Ghana, a community working group was formed and trained to mobilise, educate, monitor and provide feedback on the quality of social services and also engage with duty bearers for the provision or improvement of services. The Denchemoase CVA working group, with the support of the community, organized interface meetings (dialogues) with the District Assembly and the Member of Parliament, made follow-ups for the provision of a water facility in the community.

Thankfully, the Member of Parliament for Bodi provided resources for the construction of a small-town water system which is currently benefiting about 1,458 people, including 645 children. "We suffered a lot just a few months ago," said Mercy, a 16-year-old student. "Now water flows everywhere. Thanks to World Vision and to our Member of Parliament for listening to our cry. We the children in Denchemoase can now stay in school and learn to achieve our future dreams."

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FAITH AND DEVELOPMENT



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS:



279,302 people

(79,045 boys, 81,291 girls, 55,617 men and 63,349 women) reached by WV's faith-based approaches, including Spiritual Nurturing of Children (SNC).



160,336 children (81,291 girls and 79,045 boys)

improved their spiritual connection with God and neighbours through participation in faith-based initiatives such as Kids clubs, Children camps and gospel rallies.



16,422 parents/caregivers participated in SNC activities organized across "Let the Little Children Come Every Last One Christian Discipleship" (LLOC) Project districts.



139,653 people

(39,523 boys, 40,646 girls, 27,807 men, and 31,677 women) reached through Celebrating Families Curriculum (CFC) activities.



744 faith leaders, including participated in faith-based programmes.



55,861 people (15,807 boys, 16,258 girls, 11,126 men, and 12,670 women) benefited from EWW activities.

In 2024, WVG's faith and development programmes reached a total of 279,302 people with faith-based interventions, including Spiritual Nurturing of Children (SNC) activities aimed at enhancing children's spiritual, moral and emotional development.

As part of efforts to ensure children experience the love of God and their neighbours, WVG collaborated with various faith actors including LCC and FBOs to reach 160,336 children (81,291 girls and 79,045 boys) with SNC programmes such as gospel rallies, prayer vigils, radio and T.V discussions, Empowered World View (EWV) curriculum for children, Children camps, among other initiatives implemented at WV-supported Kids clubs and adult groups at the community level. For example, through the "Let the Little Children Come Every Last One Christian Discipleship" (LLCC) Project, WVG facilitated the participation of 16,422 parents/caregivers in SNC programmes to help them to grow in their faith and the Christian discipleship of their children.

In line with the family's function as a key source of security, safety and stability for children's sustained growth and development, WVG worked closely with the LCC in districts to train a total of 624 parents/ caregivers on the Celebrating Families Curriculum (CFC). The capacity-building training focused on enhancing family dynamics through biblical principles of love, grace, and forgiveness, strengthening relationships in families and linking them to resources that can enable this growth to happen. Overall, 139,653 people (39,523 boys, 40,646 girls, 27,807 men, and 31,677 women), including faith leaders, parents/caregivers, and partners, were reached through CFC-related activities.

To enhance community support systems for children's well-being, the capacities of 744 faith leaders, including 35

Islamic Faith leaders (16 females and 19 males), were enhanced through participation in various faith-based programmes. The interventions equipped faith leaders, parents/caregivers and other targeted participants through models and approaches such as EWV, Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) First Aid Services, CFC, Creation Care and Channels of Hope (CoH). As a result, 55,861 people (15,807 boys, 16,258 girls, 11,126 men, and 12,670 women) benefited from EWV activities, while 83,795 people (23,716 boys, 24,388 girls, 16,685 men and 19,006 women) were reached through CoH interventions, including advocacy activities of Community Hope Action Teams (CHATs).

In terms of church partnerships and engagements, WVG participated in the "Lausanne Movement 4" Africa and Middle East Conference in Ethiopia, with discussions focusing on faith-based sustainable development within the sub-region. The organization continued to collaborate with stakeholders such as AWANA Ghana, Paradise Way Church, Ghana Evangelical Committee, and Challenge Enterprise of Ghana during programming. For example, over 1,200 copies of the EWV resources were donated to Paradise Way Church to enhance the efforts of its Children's Ministry. Engagements with Prisons Ministry of Ghana, the Northview Church, Perez Chapel International focused on building working relationship.

In FY24, WVG staff participated in various spiritual formation activities, including weekly corporate devotion

and prayer sessions and annual events comprising Day of Prayer, Christmas Service, Easter Service and Staff Spiritual Retreat that were organized. The themes for the Day of Prayer (3rd October 2023) and Spiritual Retreat (May 2024) were "Strength and Courage in Christ" and "Journey to Excellence: Breaking Camp and Moving Forward" based on Exodus 33:1, respectively. Ultimately, the events sought to ensure that staff demonstrate "Living out our Christian faith and calling with boldness and humility" both in words and deeds to effectively fulfil the organisation's promise to vulnerable children.



CHILD SPONSORSHIP

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS:



56,213 Registered Children (RC) were monitored across **18** APs within the standard time of 90 days, representing a "GREEN" rating (97% of 57970 children) for those recorded as present and participating in programming.



17,990 Sponsorship Operating Indicators (SOI) were processed on time, representing 83.89% of 21,444 items



54,527 Community and Child Contents were produced, reviewed and approved per World Vision International's quality assurance standards.



11 Chosen events were held in various APs, enabling 960 RC to select their sponsors.

World Vision's Sponsorship programme is premised on the commitment of sponsors, families, communities, partners and WV to unite in facilitating a common long-term commitment to care for and protect vulnerable children and to change the circumstances in which they live. World Vision Ghana, therefore, collaborated with parents/caregivers, community volunteers such as Child Welfare Supervisors (CWS), and other partners to regularly monitor RC in the WV Sponsorship programme. To this end, WVG obtained a "GREEN" rating (97%) for 56,213 RC monitored across 18 APs within the standard time of 90 days as at September 2024. Quarterly monitoring data confirmed that the RC were present and participating in project activities.

Furthermore, the organization took steps to improve and maintain communication between sponsors and sponsored girls and boys, their families and communities, including ensuring that Sponsorship operations standards a met in a timely and effective manner. Overall, WVG recorded a "YELLOW" performance rating for timely response and processing of 17,990 Sponsorship Operating Indicators (SOI), representing 83.89% of 21,444 items processed during the year. The key SOI measured comprised Electronic Letters, Introductory Letters, Gift Notifications, Sponsor Letters, and Sponsor Office Queries.

World Vision Ghana successfully launched the Sponsorship 3.0 initiative aimed at elevating Child Sponsorship end-to-end to grow impact for more vulnerable children by simplifying operations and accelerating innovation to create a simple, digital and modern sponsorship experience for everyone (including children, communities, staff, sponsors and partners). Consequently, 54,410 Child Contents consisting of Child Greeting Photos, Child Greeting videos, Child Update photos, and Child Update videos were produced across 18 APs in addition to 117 Community Content (Community Introduction Photo and Community Introduction Video, Community Update Photo, and Community Update Video). All 54,527 Community and Child Contents were reviewed and approved per WVI's quality assurance standards.

Also, World Vision Ghana hosted 11 "Chosen" events in the Zabzugu, Krachi Nchumuru, Bodi, Builsa South, Garu, and Afram Plains APs, with 960 RC having the opportunity to choose their sponsors and be empowered to change their lives through the Child Sponsorship programme.



HUMANITARIAN AND EMERGENCY AFFAIRS/SECURITY

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS:



222,315 people

(68,991 boys, 71,726 girls, and 36,329 men, and 45,269 women)
reached with Humanitarian and Emergency interventions



9,557 people (1,616 boys, 1,721 girls, 2,780 men and 3,440 women)
benefitted from Cash programming in emergency response districts.



16,074 beneficiaries

(3,497 men, 4,052 women, 4,273 girls and 4,252 boys)
reached with *Volta Basin Flood Emergency Response*.



212,760 people

(67,376 boys, 70,006 girls, 33,549 men and 41,829 women)
benefited from the distribution of Gift-In-Kind items, including clothing,
education supplies and solar panels.

Through the Humanitarian and Emergency Affairs/Security programme, WVG collaborated with stakeholders such as NADMO, UNFPA, WFP, and security agencies to strengthen the resilience of communities against disasters and promote peaceful co-existence using approaches such as Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), peace-building and Do-No-Harm principles.

Emergency Response

Volta Basin Flood Emergency Response (VBER) Project

On 21st October 2023, WVG declared a “Category I” Emergency Response and subsequently developed the Volta Basin Flood Emergency Response Plan to support humanitarian assistance to people affected by the floods due to the spillage of the Akosombo Dam. The 12-month project (October 2023 – September 2024) reached 16,074 beneficiaries (3,497 men, 4,052 women, 4,273 girls, and 4,252 boys) across Krachi Nchumuru, Krachi West, East Gonja APs, and the North and Central Tongu districts. The response focused on critical areas, including WASH, education, health, nutrition, child protection, and livelihoods. Key contributions during the emergency response included:

- 4,520 people benefited from the relief items, such as 98,000 packets of Proctor and Gamble (P&G) water purifiers, 1,000 dignity kits, 400 filter mesh, 400 water storage containers, 400 dustbins, and 200 mattresses.
- 1,429 people were sensitised on child health and nutrition in emergencies, while 50 partners and community members were trained in properly using P&G water purifiers.
- 20 communities received education on proper WASH practices, and 100 stakeholders, including representatives from CBOs, NGOs, churches, and government institutions, were trained on emergency response principles and the NADMO Act, 2016 (Act 927).
- 140 flood-affected households received farm inputs, 300 households benefited from cash transfers, and 100 flood-affected households with RC benefited from food items such as rice.
- 3,500 books, 90 marker boards and other essential teaching resources were distributed to schools in Krachi West, Krachi Nchumuru, and East Gonja, benefiting over 2,000 children.
- In preparation for future emergencies, a contingency planning workshop was held for three high-risk districts: Krachi West, Nchumuru, and East Gonja Aps, equipping 36 district representatives with skills in risk mapping, response planning, and gender mainstreaming.
- A real-time learning evaluation of the response project revealed that approximately 70% of planned interventions were successfully implemented despite funding constraints.

Burkina Faso Asylum Seekers Emergency Response (BFASER)

With funding from UNHCR, WVG collaborated with the Ghana Refugees Board to enhance access to WASH services in settlement sites and host communities for asylum seekers in the Upper West and West Regions. Interventions at the Tarikom resettlement centre and campsite included the installation of 10,000-litre storage tanks, 41 drinking water points with stainless steel taps, 91 improved household toilets and 29 waste collection containers, installation of handwashing stations, connection of water to toilet facilities and fumigation to control snakes and mosquitoes. At the Zini Asylum Seekers Camp (Sissala West District of Upper West Region), water points were installed to provide clean water access for 2,400 people, beside 24 disability-inclusive household toilets, 115 household waste bins, and two (2) skip containers.

Cash Assistance - Gulf of Guinea Project

World Vision Ghana, in partnership with the WFP, provided cash assistance to 1,165 households (593 females, 572 males) for the benefit of 7,878 people in both host communities and the settlement site at Tarikom, Bawku West District. Moreover, 989 people participated in awareness sessions on child protection, community feedback, and prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse. To improve nutritional outcomes, WVG partnered with GHS to train 79 members of MtMSGs and Daddy's clubs on IYCF, while 126 mothers received education on the preparation of nutrient-rich meals.

Gift-In-Kind Programming

In FY24, WVG received a total of 12 containers of GIK items worth \$1.4 million. The mixed items included medical supplies (such as hand gloves and Multiple Micro-nutrient Supplementation), clothing, footwear, educational materials, household accessories, and solar panels. The GIK initiative reached 212,760 people (67,376 boys, 70,006 girls, 33,549 men and 41,829 women). Specifically, 1,566 asylum seekers (453 women, 408 men, 456 girls, and 249 boys) received assorted clothing and footwear, and 126,000 age-appropriate storybooks were distributed to schools and reading clubs while donating 331 boxes of Multiple Micro-nutrient Supplementation

Corporate and Personal Security Training

To enhance corporate and personal security awareness and vigilance, WVG staff participated in Personal Security and Cybersecurity training courses and security briefings. In addition, 141 partners and community members (36 females and 105 males) in the Bawku West, Bodi and Garu-Tempane APs participated in training focused on the security landscape of Ghana and West Africa, terrorism, personal security, crime prevention, and incident reporting.

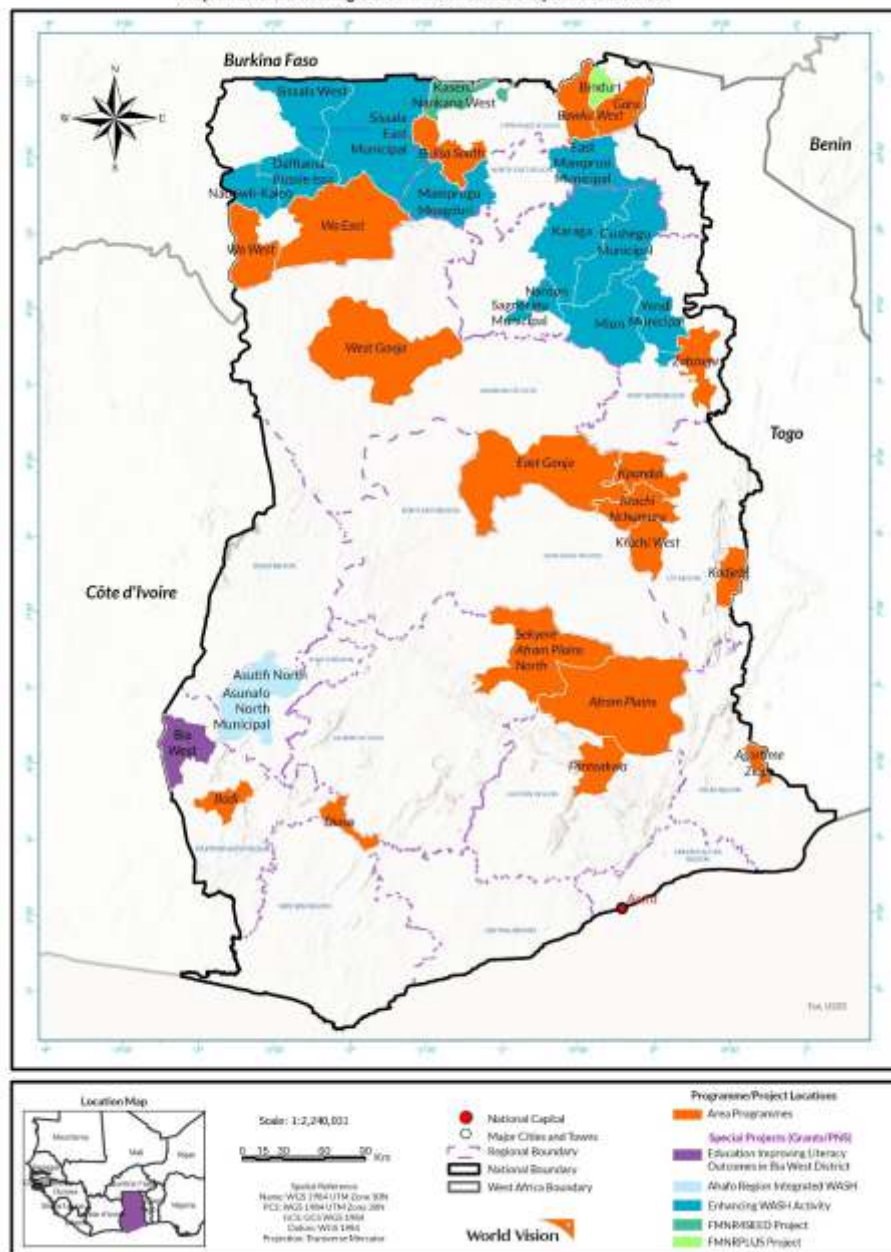
FINANCIAL SUMMARY

World Vision Ghana received a total funding commitment of \$20,845,055 at 30th September 2024 from three funding sources: Sponsorship, Grants and Multilateral, and Private Non-Sponsorship (PNS). Out of this amount, the organisation utilised \$18,377,015, representing 88% of the approved total budget as illustrated below.

FUNDING TYPE	Approved Budget (US Dollar)	Actual Expenditure (US Dollar)	Budget Expenditure Rate
Grants and Multilateral	2,745,368	2,660,043.94	96.9%
Private Non-Sponsorship	9,551,887	7,410,568.10	78%
Sponsorship	8,547,800	8,306,403.37	97.2%
Grand Total	20,845,055	18,377,015	88%

GEOGRAPHICAL REACH

Map of Ghana Showing World Vision Ghana's Operational Areas



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