

WORLD VISION ETHIOPIA

Changing children's lives since 1971.

Imagine facing a crisis so big that your entire community is at risk.

That was Ethiopia in the 1980s, when a devastating drought left millions starving. We stepped in, leading massive relief efforts that saved countless lives. But we didn't stop there.

Since 1971, we've been working in Ethiopia, not just with emergency aid but by helping communities build a better future. Today, we run over 100 long-term programmes across the country, tackling issues that affect children and families every day. We help bring clean water and sanitation to communities, improve nutrition so children can grow up healthy, and ensure kids get the education and life skills they need to succeed.

We also protect children from harm and stand up for their rights.

And when disaster strikes, whether it's drought, conflict, or floods we step in fast, responding in around 100 districts across the country.

With eight regional hubs and teams working across ten regional states, we're making a real difference for children and families. We're not just providing aid; we're helping build an Ethiopia fit for children.



In World Vision, it is our firm belief that every child in Ethiopia deserves to grow up safe, protected, and thrive in their natural community to enjoy their God-given life in fullness.

We believe that this will be achieved by equipping communities to protect children, strengthen institutions and systems, ensure transparency and accountability, and improve services, creating an environment where every child has a voice and the opportunity to reach their full potential.

With over 2,000 dedicated professional humanitarian staff, World Vision Ethiopia is committed to serve the most vulnerable children and their families to see transformed communities where women and children are empowered to exercise their rights and seek their entitlements.

In 2024, World Vision Ethiopia collaborated with donors and partners, faith-based organisations, local governments and institutions, communities, children and their families from the Federal to kebele levels in accessing children to quality education, clean water, improved sanitation and hygiene, ensuring children grow up educated for life, healthy, and free from preventable diseases.

And speaking of our joint efforts, we have made together, it is so inspiring to witness that mothers are able to provide their children with nutritious food and educate their children, while practicing positive parenting allowing their children to participate, choose, decide, and have their say independently on matters that affect their lives in their communities.

I am so pleased and honoured to thank you, our generous donors and partners for your investment and contributions which really made a difference in the lives of the most vulnerable children and their families in Ethiopia.

Karmen Till National Director, World Vision Ethiopia



HEALTH

Every child deserves the chance to grow up healthy, yet many children in Ethiopia face preventable illness and limited access to care. In 2024, World Vision Ethiopia reached over 678,000 children and adults through health and nutrition programmes across Oromia, Amhara, Tigray, Afar, and Benishangul Gumuz. Working alongside health authorities and community leaders, we supported emergency nutrition responses through Community-Based Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) and Integrated Management of Acute Malnutrition (IMAM). We promoted breastfeeding and Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) approaches. Health workers and community members were trained on preconception care, antenatal and postnatal care, immunisation, and hygiene. By strengthening local systems and supporting health facilities, we are building healthier futures for Ethiopia's most vulnerable children.



people received outpatient & mobile health services.





676,434 people reached through



165,904 people provided with primary healthcare support.



CHILD PROTECTION

Every child deserves to grow up safe, yet too many face violence, neglect, and harmful practices. World Vision Ethiopia's Child Protection and Participation Programme strengthens child protection systems to safeguard girls and boys at home, in communities, and within institutions. Operating in 18 areas across four regions, the programme focuses on preventing abuse, supporting survivors, and promoting children's voices. In fragile contexts, it also addresses gender-based violence, disability inclusion, and mental health support. In our experience at the grassroots, we have seen our efforts help protect vulnerable children, ensuring they can grow, learn, and dream in a safer environment.



387,937

children directly benefited from child protection initiatives.



23,918
parents trained in positive parenting techniques.





20,628faith leaders
mobilised to promote child protection.



12,346 survivors of abuse received psychosocial



support.

9,571

children rescued from hazardous labour conditions.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Children thrive when communities are engaged and empowered. World Vision's Community Engagement and Sponsorship Programme integrates our development work with Faith, Programme Accountability and Community Voice and Action (CVA), Child and Adult Safeguarding, and Peacebuilding to create lasting change. By equipping communities to protect children, strengthen accountability, and improve services, we ensure that every child has a voice and the opportunity to reach their potential. Through Sponsorship and community-driven solutions, we are shaping a future where children are valued, protected, and nurtured by those around them.



72,691

people engaged in community-led advocacy.



18,429

faith-based initiatives promoted social transformation.





23, 639

children were trained to support child monitoring in operational vicinities.



29,842

most vulnerable children's social needs supported.

25, 248

children, adolescents and youth participated in actions that support ending violence against children.



EDUCATION

World Vision believes every child in Ethiopia deserves access to quality education that opens doors to a brighter future. Our Start Early Education for Children Programme equips children with literacy skills, fosters a love for learning, and ensures a smooth transition to primary school. Through targeted interventions like Learning Roots, Basic Education, and Unlock Literacy, we create safe, stimulating environments for young learners. Our work in 30 areas across Ethiopia improved education quality and life skills for over half a million children. By investing in their future today, we're unlocking opportunities that will transform not just their lives but will also transform the Ethiopia of tomorrow.



556,579 children accessed quality education.



7,315 parents engaged in school governance.





9,472 children with disabilities supported with inclusive education.



11,209 schools improved through infrastructure support.



12,846 teachers trained in child-friendly teaching methods.



NUTRITION + ENOUGH

No child should suffer from malnutrition. In 2024, we provided nutrition support, promoted breastfeeding, and tackled food insecurity through the combined efforts of our programming and the ENOUGH campaign. Our programmes focused on improving maternal and child nutrition, integrating school feeding initiatives, and advocating for sustainable food systems. By improving access to diverse, nutritious food and promoting better feeding practices, we tackled hunger at its roots. In partnership with communities and health workers, we provide nutrition education, support for breastfeeding mothers, and treatment for malnourished children. Every meal shared is an investment in nation-building because well-nourished children can learn, play, and reach their full potential.



475,436 children benefited from nutrition programmes.



malnourished children recovered through targeted interventions.





61,489
children participated
through school
feeding programmes.



54,831 pregnant and breastfeeding mothers received nutrition support.



21,739 families supported with food assistance.



LIVELIHOODS

Sustainable livelihoods empower families to break the cycle of poverty. World Vision Ethiopia's Livelihoods Programme equips parents with the skills and resources to earn a stable income, ensuring their children have food, education, and healthcare. By promoting sustainable farming, climate-smart agriculture, and income diversification, families become more resilient to economic and environmental shocks. Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) is restoring degraded land, increasing harvests, and improving food security. In 2024, we empowered communities across Ethiopia, helping families build self-sufficiency, so that their children can hope for a better tomorrow.





46,271 farmers trained in climate-smart agriculture.





9,351 people trained in financial literacy.

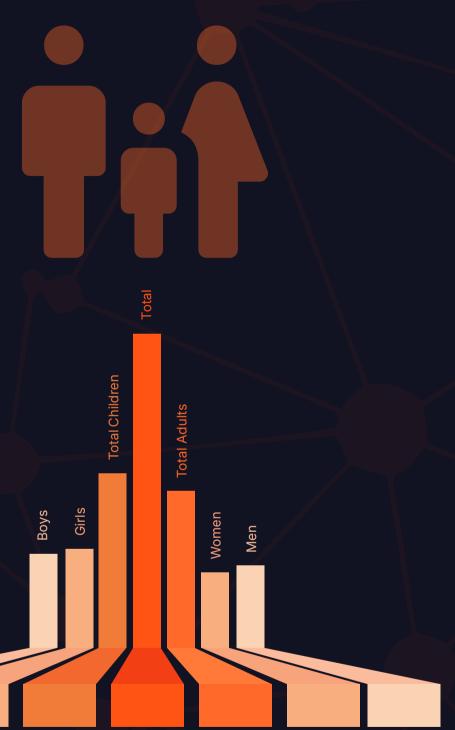


56,204 hectares of land restored through FMNR.



27,418 families provided with income-generating opportunities.

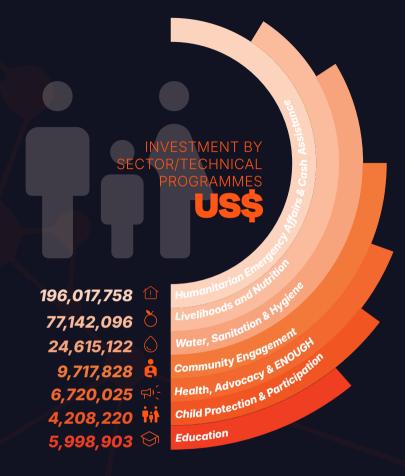
THE LIVES WE'VE TOUCHED IN 2024

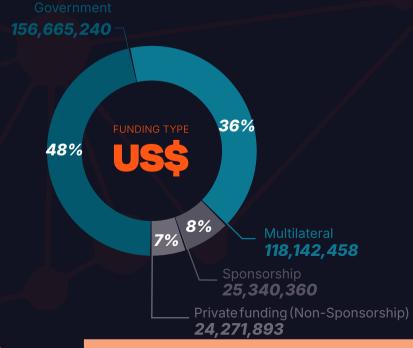


2,668,7922,703,498 5,372,290 10,315,443 4,943,153 2,432,387 2,510,766
Children Adults

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HOW WE INVESTED IN ETHIOPIA'S CHILDREN







WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

World Vision believes every child deserves access to clean water, improved sanitation, and hygiene practices to grow up healthy and be free from preventable diseases. We provided safe water, improved sanitation, and promoted hygiene practices to protect children from disease and ensure they grow up healthy. By installing water systems, building toilets, and educating communities on hygiene, we helped families access essential services in quality. Our work in schools and healthcare facilities ensured children could focus on learning and well-being, free from waterborne illnesses. Through local partnerships and community-driven solutions, we are ensuring lasting change in the fight against water scarcity and poor sanitation for the children of Ethiopia.

1,673,912

people gained access to safe water, sanitation, and hygiene services.



170,000

people accessed clean water in healthcare facilities.



69,938 latrines built in households.





56,922

households gained access to handwashing facilities with water & soap.



GENDER EQUALITY, DISABILITY, AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

Every child deserves to be seen, heard, and valued. This year, through our integrated multisectoral work, we worked to break barriers that prevent children - especially girls, children with disabilities, and those from marginalised communities - from reaching their full potential. Through advocacy, education, and community engagement, we promoted gender equality and social inclusion, ensuring every child has access to opportunities, protection, and participation. By challenging harmful norms and empowering children as change agents, we helped create more just and inclusive communities where no child is left behind.



98,426

children benefited from gender equality and inclusion initiatives.



24,673

community members trained in gender equality and child rights.





7,291

survivors of gender-based violence received essential support services.



8,462

boys engaged in positive masculinity programmes.



17.842

children with disabilities accessed inclusive education and services.



NORTHERN ETHIOPIA CRISIS RESPONSE (2021-2024)

The Northern Ethiopia Crisis Response (NECR) 2021-2024, focused on children and areas affected by conflict, restoring essential services and helping families rebuild through health, education, and livelihood support. In 2024, we worked with partners to deliver timely aid, prioritising community resilience, while upholding humanitarian standards, whereby ensuring vulnerable children and families receive the needed care and resources to recover and thrive.



1,729,851

people (887,908 children) supported through humanitarian interventions.



120,041

people were provided with safe water supply.





children in conflict

accessed education.



children received child protection services, mental health & psychosocial support.



732,379

people supported with food and cash.



HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY AFFAIRS

When disaster strikes, we are among the first to arrive and the last to leave. We led emergency responses across nine regions, addressing urgent needs in food security, health, WASH, nutrition, and protection while strengthening disaster preparedness and recovery. We delivered timely aid, upholding humanitarian standards, prioritising community resilience, ensuring vulnerable children and families receive the needed care and resources.



2,936,370 people (1,702,933 children) supported through humanitarian interventions.



35,660 children in conflict accessed education.



children, women, and vulnerable groups provided with protection services.



1,519,724 people provided with immediate relief & lifesaving food assistance.



260,676 people provided with integrated livelihood & cash assistance.



NEXUS PROGRAMMING

We don't see humanitarian work as a short-term fix—we ensure it is connected to longer-term development and peacebuilding efforts ensuring sustainability and resilience. Aligned with Ethiopia's Productive Safety Net Programme (PSNP), we support communities transitioning from relief to resilience. The €2 million peacebuilding project in Tigray, Benishangul-Gumuz, and Amhara, funded by the European Union, aims to rebuild trust and promote dialogue through 1,200 youth peacebuilders and faith leaders. The RESILIENT-WE project, funded by Global Affairs Canada, empowers women in Oromia to build resilience against climate change and economic shocks. We actively participate in global, national, and local humanitarian coordination to maximise impact.



capacity-building and awareness raising.







intentionally promoted integration of peace with Humanitarian & Development Project and Programme designs.

several high-level workshops were conducted among WVE staffs & with partners as part of the Triple Nexus programming approach in formulating the FY26-FY30 strategy.



LOCALISATION

World Vision Ethiopia's Localisation Roadmap strengthens national capacity by empowering local organisations to lead sustainable development. Our Partnership Management Committee ensures rigorous partner selection, due diligence, and capacity-building, fostering stronger institutions. We actively involve local partners in programme design and budget planning, ensuring solutions are community-driven. Beyond compliance, we conduct rapid capacity assessments to enhance expertise and alignment. From 2021, an average of 16.35% of our budget was channelled through local partners, supporting Ethiopia's long-term resilience. With a target of 25%, we are committed to investing in local leadership for lasting impact across communities.



26,907

Children, Adult & Youth participated in actions that supported ending violence against children.



8,563

community members engaged in support of Early Childhood development.



5.631

faith leaders participated in programming that contributes to improving child well-being.



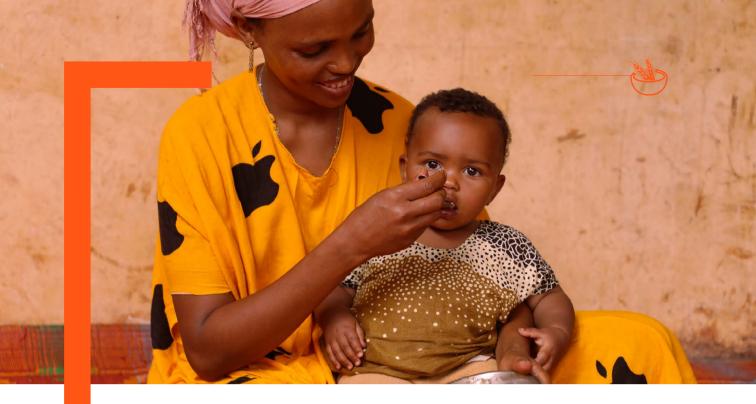
10.030

children served by catalysed faith communities.



1,944

WASH committees & entrepreneurs capacitated with resource mobilisation systems.



SPIR II

SPIR II strengthens food security, livelihoods, and resilience for vulnerable rural households in Ethiopia's Amhara, Oromia, and Tigray regions. Led by World Vision and partners, the USAID-funded programme aligns with the government's Productive Safety Net Programme (PSNP). It enhances food security, transforms livelihoods, builds resilience to shocks, and improves nutrition for 764,784 poor rural people grappling with food insecurity. Each year, SPIR II imports over 30,000 MT food from the United States – sorghum and yellow split pea grown by American farmers, and fortified vegetable oil produced by American companies and purchased by the US Government to deliver life-saving assistance in Ethiopia. Simultaneously, SPIR II supports agricultural and non-agricultural livelihood diversification initiatives, market linkages, and improved access to financing, to strengthen household income and food security.



615,000

participants (55% female) engaged in food security programming.



23,484

farmers generated US\$5.3 million in agricultural and off-farm sales.





93,000

farmers benefited from climate advisory services.



30,121

metric tonnes of food distributed to 454,213 people.



5,669

members accessed US\$1.7 million in micro-finance loans.



