

BACKGROUND

World Vision Eswatini (WVE) is a Christian relief, development, and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families, and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. World Vision started operating in Eswatini in 1992 as an emergency relief organisation, before transitioning to transformational development and advocacy for the most vulnerable children, people, and communities. WVE implements integrated programmes in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH); Livelihoods and Economic Empowerment; Health, HIV and Nutrition; Community Engagement and Advocacy; and Humanitarian Emergency Affairs to improve child wellbeing and address the root causes of vulnerability.

WVE supports broader governmental initiatives targeted at addressing development challenges that impose negative effects on the wellbeing of children, particularly where the most vulnerable children are impacted. The organisation provides technical, financial, and implementation support to the Government of Eswatini and works with existing government and community structures to ensure sustainability. WVE also works very closely with the communities served, including children, parents and caregivers, partners, faith leaders, government departments, parastatals, international agencies, and civil society. The active participation of children in the design, delivery, and review of programmes is highly emphasised.





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.

VALUES



We are Christian
We are committed to the poor
We value people
We are stewards
We are partners
We are responsive

CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS



MS. SICELIWE MNGOMETULU
Board Chairperson

It is my privilege to present World Vision Eswatini's Annual Report for the Financial Year (FY) ending 30th September 2025 (FY2025). Despite a challenging economic environment and shifts in donor funding, we continued to deliver meaningful impact and uphold our mission of bringing hope and transformation. Throughout the year, we made significant strides in improving child wellbeing. The cofinancing agreement with the Government of Eswatini, jointly committing USD13 million (USD6.5 million from each party) toward Universal Water Service Coverage (UWSC) over the next five years, is a landmark achievement that will transform access to safe water for thousands of households across the country. We are also proud that the dream of having a permanent home for our team has become a reality. This financial year, we commissioned the Golf Course Office Park, where our staff now work in a more conducive environment, fostering productivity and enhancing collaboration. During the year, we also started the construction of an office complex and warehouse at Lobamba Lomdzala on our land, generously gifted to us by His Majesty King Mswati III.

The year 2025, being the final year of our FY2020-FY2025 Strategic Plan, marked another great milestone with the development of a new and ambitious Strategic Plan (FY2026-FY2030): themed "Eswatini That Cares, Children Who Thrive", with a target of impacting 395,000 children by 2030. This year, we bid farewell to former National Director, Mrs. Tinah Mukunda, who transitioned to World Vision Ghana, and welcomed Mr. Amos William Zaindi as the new National Director. We also said goodbye to three (3) of our Board members: Mrs. Sharon Maziya, Mr. Mark Kelly, and Mrs. Tinah Mukunda. On the other hand, we welcomed four (4) distinguished new members to the Board: Mr. Mbuso Kingdom Dlamini, Mr. Zweli Mamba, Mr. Matthew Pickard, and Mr. Amos William Zaindi.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to extend heartfelt appreciation to our Senior Leadership Team, Management, and Staff for their continued dedication and hard work. Thank you also to our partners and sponsors for your dedication and trust in this mission. As we look ahead to FY26 and beyond, we remain committed to deepening influence, driving resource diversification, and amplifying the voices of children. Galatians 6:9, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

God bless you all!

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NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S FOREWORD



AMOS W. ZAINDI National Director

FY25 was a defining year for World Vision Eswatini (WVE)- a year where adversity met innovation and resilience. Operating in a context of drought, rising food insecurity, socio-economic shocks and extreme funding cuts, we delivered integrated programming that reached 483,575 people including 358,498 vulnerable children and 39,208 registered children(RCs). The organisation continued efforts to strengthen community resilience, and advance national priorities through policy influence and advocacy. Our efforts to strengthen household and community resilience supported 277,972 people, from 57,246 families who received food packages during times of need and also participated in socio-economic empowerment initiatives. We also addressed critical risks affecting children and communities by reaching 97,197 people through child protection interventions, 50,472 through Health, HIV, and Nutrition services, 128,443 through Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) programmes, and 6,646 people through climate and environmental action.

Beyond service delivery, FY25 marked key milestones in advocacy. Through the ENOUGH Campaign and in partnership with other like-minded stakeholders, we amplified evidence-based calls to end child hunger and malnutrition, securing a 50% increase in the government budget for the School Feeding Programme - from SZL 65 million to SZL 97 million. These achievements reflect the power of partnerships, from government collaborations to private sector engagements.

As we transition into FY26, our focus will remain on deepening impact, scaling innovations like Financial Acceleration for Savings Transformation-FAST, and sustaining momentum towards our vision of "Eswatini That Cares. Children Who Thrive." Thank you for walking this journey with us and for believing in the transformative power of collective action.



In 2025, Eswatini's humanitarian and development context remained strained by climate-related shocks, economic pressures, and persistent food insecurity, as highlighted by the 2024 Vulnerability Assessment and Analysis. Frequent dry spells, floods, and erratic weather undermined agricultural productivity and livelihoods, worsening vulnerabilities for rural and urban households. Projections indicated further deterioration during the 2024/25 lean season, with an estimated 304,000 people (25% of the population) facing high food insecurity without urgent action. Rising food prices, reduced incomes, and limited productive assets drove negative coping strategies, impacting child nutrition, health, and wellbeing. Climate variability and socio-economic shocks compounded pressures on health, social protection, and service delivery systems, with women and children bearing the greatest burden.

HIV prevalence remains high at 24.8% among adults (SHIMS 3), with about 185,000 people living with HIV and 4,000 new infections annually. Access to WASH services is still low, 77% for basic water (MICS, 2022) and uneven across rural areas, intersecting with child protection vulnerabilities. Nearly 47% of children experience multidimensional poverty, facing deprivation in health, nutrition, education, WASH, and protection. Violence against children remains a critical concern in Eswatini. According to Violence Against Children Survey (2022), nearly one-third of boys (31.7%) and one-quarter of girls (25.5%) aged 13–24 have experienced violence in their lifetime, with 8.1% of girls and 3.3% of boys reporting sexual violence, highlighting pervasive protection risks.

The convergence of climate shocks, food insecurity, poor WASH access, and HIV burden underscores the need for integrated humanitarian response. For WVE, this context shaped 2025 priorities: reinforcing food security and nutrition, child protection, water access, and livelihood resilience, alongside advocacy and early response initiatives to address immediate needs and underlying structural causes of vulnerability.



25% of population facing food insecurity

Jneven access to WASH services

HIV prevalence at 24.8%

47% of children experience multidimensional poverty





WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

GOAL: To achieve universal access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation and hygiene for people in WVE programming areas by 2025.

In FY25 World Vision Eswatini (WVE) continued to dedicate efforts towards improving access to safe water, sanitation, and hygiene services across communities, schools, and healthcare facilities, reaching over 128,443 people, including 83,406 children.

Over 19,000 people gained access to safe water through 32 new water supply systems and 2,287 collection points contributing to a 77% household access to basic water, slightly above national average. More than 39,000 benefited from improved sanitation facilities, including sex-separated school toilets with menstrual hygiene management contributing to about 70% households using basic sanitation. In addition, over 44,000 people were supported to establish household handwashing facilities, promoting improved hygiene practices.



A first-of-its-kind 50:50 partnership with the Government of Eswatini, with a \$65 million investment each over the next five years, also contributed towards achievement of water access targets.

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE



Access to Safe Water Brings Back Hope for Ntondozi Learners

For years, learners at a primary school in Ntondozi began their mornings with long walks to a river to fetch water. The water was unsafe, the journey exhausting, and the disruptions constant. For many children like Benkhosi, a Grade 6 learner, it became an accepted part of school life. "Every morning, classes had to stop so we could fetch water," he recalls. "We knew the river was not clean, and many times, we would get sick because we had no choice but to drink it."

The water scarcity affected more than just health and learning. On some days, the school could not prepare meals because there wasn't enough water to cook. The land reserved for growing vegetables intended to support the school kitchen also remained bare and unused. This changed when World Vision brought clean, safe water to the school. Now, the school kitchen prepares meals consistently, ensuring that every child receives the nutrition they need to learn and grow. The once idle garden is now flourishing, with vegetables being watered regularly, providing both food and a practical learning opportunity for the learners.

For Benkhosi, this transformation is life-changing. "We no longer miss our meals, and we can water the vegetables," he says with a smile. For Seluleko, a Grade 7 learner, this has motivated her to study harder. "We no longer get sick, and our classes are not disrupted anymore," she says.

With uninterrupted lessons and restored health, she now has the time and energy she needs to focus on her final examinations. As she prepares to transition to high school next year, Seluleko is determined to pass all her examinations with flying colours.







LIVELIHOODS AND RESILIENCE

Goal: To break the cycle of poverty for the most vulnerable households by strengthening families' capacity to provide well for children by 2025.

In FY25, World Vision Eswatini (WVE) strengthened household resilience and economic empowerment through its Livelihoods and Resilience interventions, reaching over 277,000 people. WVE empowered 67,375 children through Child and Youth Empowerment programming, enhancing their life skills and overall well-being. Additionally, over 40% of individuals residing at supported communities now have access to formal savings mechanisms, up from 38% in FY24, reflecting steady progress in promoting financial inclusion and sustainable livelihoods. This improvement was driven in part by the establishment of 682 Savings Groups, with 12,570 members which supporting the well-being of 23,328 children.

WVE advanced economic empowerment by equipping 4,035 people with entrepreneurial skills. Over 21,000 Savings Group members received financial literacy training, while 308 members (22 Savings Groups) accessed formal financial services through the FAST initiative. Additionally, 394 individuals benefited from vocational training in partnership with Sebenta National Institute.



LIVELIHOODS AND RESILIENCE



World Vision Introduces DreamSave to Drive Savings Culture in Children from Ntondozi

In the rural community of Ntondozi, a group of 13 schoolchildren is demonstrating how technology can empower children with livelihood skills from a young age. The children have embraced DreamSave, a digital platform for managing savings groups to start their own financial journey.

The group, made up of primary and high school learners, was formed in January 2025 with the support of World Vision. Inspired by the success of their mothers, who are part of adult savings groups, the children decided to form their own group, named "Save for the Future". World Vision not only mentored the children on how to save and manage their money but also introduced them to DreamSave, a mobile app that simplifies their work by recording contributions, tracking loans, calculating interest, and promoting accountability. Lindelwa (17), one of the founding members, says they were motivated by the impact they saw in their homes.

"My mother was able to buy me and my siblings expensive clothes that were worth more than her monthly salary after receiving her savings payout," she said. "That inspired me to save too." "We borrow money from our savings group for things like transport to school, or even to buy toiletry when our parents are struggling; however, we don't just want to save, we want to make more money," she added. She shared that the group has a bigger vision. "We want to make fabric softener and sell it around the community," she said. "That way we can make more money and increase our savings from the E5 we contribute weekly."





When I started working with savings groups in this area, they were all using paper ledgers. I introduced DreamSave because it's secure, userfriendly, and allows groups to operate more efficiently," said Zwakele Dlamini, the Savings for Transformation (S4T) Officer at World Vision.



HEALTH, NUTRITION AND HIV

Goal: To contribute towards the elimination of new infections, improved health and nutritional status of vulnerable children (0-18 years) and women of child-bearing age by 2025.

In FY25, World Vision Eswatini delivered strong results under its Health, HIV, and Nutrition portfolio, reaching over 50,000 caregivers, children and adolescents. Over 23,237 children under five were reached with growth monitoring and promotion (GMP) interventions while 6023 caregivers of children aged 0-23 months received Timed and Targeted Counselling (ttC) on maternal and child care at household level. Furthermore, 429 community based healthcare workers including rural health motivators were trained on maternal child care and support. Coverage of essential vaccines among children aged 12-59 months increased to 56%, up from 46% in FY24, while skilled birth attendance rose to 88% from 87%.

Antenatal care remains a key challenge, with only 17% of mothers reporting eight or more ANC visits, up from 6% in FY24.

Additionally, exclusive breastfeeding until six (6) months reported at 33% from 39%, underscoring the need for continued investment in maternal and child health services.

WVE continued its efforts to combat the spread of HIV by collaborating with communities and tertiary institutions, reaching over 35,000 adolescent girls and young women with targeted HIV prevention programs.





Nokwanda Breaking Barriers to Become a Female Electrician

After completing high school in 2022, Nokwanda found herself with limited options and no clear direction forward. With no job opportunities, she relied on piece jobs, including babysitting, to get by. The lack of a stable income left her vulnerable and uncertain about her future. Her life changed when she met Simphiwe Gwebu, a Facilitator for World Vision's Halting the Spread of HIV Project. Simphiwe introduced her to the project and explained how it aims to empower young people, especially young women, with skills and knowledge to build and improve their lives. "I knew instantly that this project was what I needed to change my life," Nokwanda recalls.

Through the project, Nokwanda was given the opportunity to pursue a vocational course in electrical installation and wiring at BSA Training Centre. Sponsored by the project, she took the opportunity to learn a new skill that would allow her to become self-reliant and less vulnerable. "Soon I will be a qualified electrician," she says proudly. "I will be able to earn a living and support myself. This means I won't have to depend on anyone, which protects me from risks such as exposure to HIV." Nokwanda is also preparing to begin an internship with local electrical companies, like the <u>Eswatini Electricity Company</u>, where she hopes to gain valuable experience and enhance her skills in the field.

"I am really thankful to World Vision for this opportunity. This project has given me hope, and I am determined to make the most of it," she says. The initiative is funded by <u>The Global Fund</u> through the <u>Coordinating Assembly for Non-Governmental Organisations (CANGO)</u>, with World Vision Eswatini as the implementing partner.





COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SPONSORSHIP

GOAL: To improve the socio-legal status of children through effective protection, participation, advocacy and spiritual nurturing of children by 2025.

In FY25, World Vision Eswatini advanced holistic child well-being through strengthened community engagement, faith-based approaches, and child protection initiatives while upholding sponsorship standards. Advocacy efforts drove systems-level impact, reaching 358,498 vulnerable children and influencing policy changes. Community empowerment remained central, with households influencing public service decisions increasing from 18% to 40%. Faith-based programming reached 84,513 children, with 61% of adolescents (12–18) reporting experiencing God's love. Child protection interventions reached 97,197 people, including 64,052 children, through violence prevention, improved reporting mechanisms, and positive social norm change.

Birth registration secured legal identity for 4,968 children. Safer home environments were evident as reports of harm by caregivers dropped to 12% (from 22% in FY24), while physical attacks (8%) and sexual violence (2%) remained low. Family cohesion improved, with positive parent-child relationships rising to 60% (from 55%) and strong connections to 69% (from 65%). Notably, 99% of adolescents in empowerment programs reported improved self-efficacy.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SPONSORSHIP



From Depending on Church Allowance to Owning a Thriving Piggery

When Pastor Themba Ngozo attended the Empowered World View (EWV) training facilitated by World Vision, he did not expect it to transform his life in such a profound way. The training, which he describes as one that "transformed the mind, heart, and pocket," challenged him to think differently about his livelihood.

Before the training, Pastor Ngozo depended solely on an allowance from his church to provide for his family. But through the EWV sessions, he learned that faith must be accompanied by action, and that God has provided everyone with resources and potential to improve their circumstances. "I realised that, as a pastor, I also have to work with my own hands," he says. "I must use what I have to earn a living and support my family instead of relying only on the church allowance."

With this new mindset, Pastor Ngozo decided to start a small piggery business. He began humbly with just three pigs, one male and two females. The business has grown from three pigs to 39, becoming a reliable source of income for his family. His business now supports not only his immediate household but also his brother's children, whose school fees and basic needs he helps cover. Pastor Ngozo has diversified his business by running a small grocery shop, where he also sells pork in small packages to members of the community. This initiative ensures that even families with limited means can enjoy fresh meat while supporting his growing enterprise. Through faith, hard work, and the right support, Pastor Ngozo has become a beacon of hope, proving that transformation is possible when people believe in their God-given potential and act on it.









HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY AFFAIRS

GOAL: To provide on-the-ground aid and assistance to affected people through immediate emergency aid response when disaster strikes in order to protect children, save lives, reduce suffering, protect livelihoods, strengthen community resilience and promote peace.

Emergency response was exceptional, reaching 57,246 households. This was achieved in partnership with the Government of Eswatini, through the National Disaster Management Agency (NDMA), whereby 1,998 metric tonnes rice received from World Vision Taiwan were supplemented by the Government in beans and oils, which were distributed to 277,972 of the most vulnerable Emaswati.

57,246 households assisted in emergencies 602 individuals were trained in disaster risk reduction (86.1%) **54** disaster preparedness committees were functional (90%)

Disaster risk reduction efforts enhanced preparedness through training of individuals and functional committees.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the year ended 30 September 2025

	Notes	2025 USD	2024 USD
Income	4	16 870 958	16 005 296
Project expenses Gross deficit for the year	5	(17 075 920) (204 962)	(16 169 656) (164 360)
Other income Operating deficit for the year	7	152 895 (52 067)	<u>124 799</u> (39 561)
Finance income Net surplus for the year	8	52 067	39 561

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as <u>at</u> 30 September 2025

	Notes	2025 USD	2024 USD
ASSETS			
Non-current assets Property and equipment	10	880 336	922 771
Current assets Financial asset Accounts and other receivables Cash and cash equivalents	11 12 13	2 173 724 115 882 67 396 1 990 446	3 342 489 111 753 405 254 2 825 480
Total assets		3 054 060	4 265 260
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Reserves attributable to the organisation			
Accumulated funds		970 109	970 109
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities Accounts payable Employee benefit provisions Deferred income	14 15 16	2 083 951 1 486 599 99 210 498 142	3 295 151 1 642 384 112 887 1 539 880
Total funds and liabilities		3 054 060	4 265 260

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