

COUNTRY PROFILE

World Vision Romania

World Vision Romania has been working for over 35 years to support vulnerable children, families, and communities across rural areas of the country. Through integrated programmes in education, child protection, and community development, the organisation addresses the root causes of poverty and inequality affecting children. Working closely with national and local authorities, civil society organisations, companies

and community partners, World Vision Romania implements large-scale programmes that combine direct support for children and families with long-term systemic change through advocacy and institutional capacity building.

Our work focuses on improving access to education, child protection systems, empowering young people to participate in decision-making and supporting families and communities to become more resilient.

ESSENTIAL NUMBERS IN THE LAST 36 YEARS

People reached: 4,000,000+

Children supported: 2,000,000+

Advocacy Impact 5,000,000+ children impacted through policy reforms and advocacy initiatives in education, child protection & participation.

More than USD 400 millions invested in children and communities



EDUCATION & LIFE SKILLS

In 2025, World Vision Romania expanded programmes that support children's access to quality education, particularly in rural communities where educational inequalities remain high.

Through initiatives such as Start in Education, preschool children received early learning materials, while parents and educators received training and resources.

Beyond early education, we continued to support school-age children through tutoring, mentoring, summer schools, and learning support activities that help prevent school dropout and strengthen life skills.

Several of these initiatives were implemented in partnership with national institutions and with support from European Union funding mechanisms, contributing to broader efforts to improve educational inclusion and quality in Romania.

SOCIAL PROTECTION & CHILD WELL-BEING

World Vision Romania strengthens child protection and social inclusion systems by working directly with vulnerable families and supporting professionals who interact with children.

Programmes focus on improving parenting practices, preventing violence and neglect, and supporting children at risk of poverty, school dropout, or exploitation. The organisation collaborates with teachers, social workers, health professionals, and community leaders to ensure that children receive the protection and services they need.

Children and young people are also encouraged to participate in awareness campaigns and community initiatives that promote children's rights, safety, and well-being.



Advocacy and child participation

Advocacy remained a key pillar of World Vision Romania's work in 2025. Through research, policy dialogue, and partnerships with public institutions and civil society organisations, the organisation contributed to policy discussions affecting children and families.

The Children's Consultative Council, established to amplify the voices of children from rural communities, continued to engage young people in discussions on education, participation, and child protection.

Children and young people participated in consultations, campaigns, and community initiatives that promoted children's rights and encouraged decision-makers to consider their perspectives when shaping public policies. These efforts contributed to policy reforms and initiatives that have impacted millions of children.



EU PROJECTS & PARTNERSHIPS

In 2025, World Vision Romania implemented several EU-funded programmes focused on education, youth employment, social entrepreneurship, and child protection, supporting vulnerable communities and strengthening local development.

Through the SAVE – School Anti-Violence Ecosystem programme, World Vision Romania supported 32 local NGOs implementing projects in 158 schools,

helping prevent violence and improve child protection mechanisms in disadvantaged communities.

EU funding also supported programs that strengthen the transition from education to employment. Through initiatives such as Go Green – Internships for Employment, Internships for Employment, and iUBB – Access to Resources and Guidance for Educational Success, students gained practical experience, career guidance, and support to continue their studies.

At the same time, programmes such as Social Business Academy, NGOs for the Labour Market, and Partnership 2.0 strengthened social entrepreneurship and civil society capacity, supporting NGOs, social enterprises, and local actors to create jobs and improve access to labour market opportunities.

Overall, EU-funded projects implemented by World Vision Romania represent investments of around €3 million, contributing to stronger education systems, safer schools, youth employability, and inclusive economic development.



KEY EU INTERVENTION AREAS

Through these EU-funded initiatives, World Vision Romania contributed to several priority areas aligned with European policies:

- Education and equal access to learning opportunities
- Youth employability and transition from education to the labour market
- Social entrepreneurship and inclusive economic development
- Child protection and safe school environments
- Green economy and sustainable skills development

OUR MAIN DONORS

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