

# CAPACITY STATEMENT ADVOCACY



## WORLD VISION MOZAMBIQUE:

World Vision-Mozambique's Advocacy work consists of a structured set of activities aimed at advancing the rights and well-being of children and youth, their families, and communities. Through these interventions, we ensure that communities are equipped so their voices are heard, thus bringing visibility to their child-focused perceptions and aspirations and influencing decisions and processes impacting them at local, provincial, and national levels.

WV-Moz's advocacy portfolio is grounded in strong contextual analysis and focuses on the following priority/issues presently driving/underlying child vulnerability in Mozambique."

**Violence Against Children (VAC):** With particular emphasis on ending child marriage—WV-Moz promotes community-led and community-owned interventions to prevent and respond to violence against children.

**Child Malnutrition:** Addressed through the ENOUGH / Já Chega Campaign, WV-Moz advocates for policies and investments that end hunger and malnutrition, aligned with national priorities and global development goals.

**Disability Inclusion:** Recognizing disability as a hidden driver of child vulnerability in Mozambique, where recently approved and other existing enabling legislation suffers from inadequate dissemination and implementation.

**Gender-Based Violence/Femicide:** WV-Moz supports policy reform and enforcement in this area, building on existing political will and consensus among government institutions and civil society organizations.

## APPROACHES AND INITIATIVES

WV-Moz's advocacy approach is built on strong relationships and active engagement with government institutions, civil society organizations, donors, and communities. Through these partnerships, WV-Moz contributes to collective action that places children at the center of social transformation as a shared responsibility.

A cornerstone of this approach is Citizen Voice and Action (CVA), WV-Moz's flagship social accountability methodology. CVA is implemented in all areas of operation through community-based committees established and supported by WV-Moz. These committees identify priority issues, engage duty-bearers, and facilitate dialogue to improve public service delivery.

Where issues exceed local authority, remain unresolved, or have national relevance and potential impact beyond the project's geographic footprint, issues are escalated through national-level policy advocacy mechanisms, including petitions and direct engagement with political decision-makers such as Parliament, the Government, and others.

Five to Thrive is an integrated package of essential accelerating services for enhancing child well-being in Mozambique. A policy proposition designed to provide concrete recommendations on how government can provide additional services or expand and strengthen the delivery of existing services to enable high-cost effectiveness and yield a larger impact for children.

**Budget Advocacy** - Budget advocacy actions led from various levels to influence changes to budget systems and budget policies that address human rights abuses and the root causes of poverty and vulnerability. It focuses on budget transparency, accountability and participation. World Vision Mozambique leads these actions through CVA, influencing decision-making at through coalition and bilateral engagement.

**Child Participation** - Child participation remains at the core of our programming, advocacy, and social accountability strategies, ensuring that children's voices are meaningfully heard and that issues affecting them are addressed with intention and integrity. World Vision Mozambique actively promotes child participation through strong networks of child representatives and youth groups, who play an integral role in community development committees and decision-making processes at various levels.



## DELIVERING CHANGE

Over the years, significant improvements in public service delivery have been achieved through the efforts of more than 5,000 trained CVA practitioners. Notably, CVA has been adopted by Parliament and Provincial Assemblies as a recognized methodology for promoting structured dialogue between policymakers and local communities on public policy implementation.

Key policy gains include the formulation and approval of the National Action Plan for Children (PNAC) and improved implementation of the Child Marriage Act. At the service delivery level, CVA has also contributed to tangible local improvements. For example, in Charre District, Tete Province, a local CVA committee successfully advocated for a safer and healthier school environment at Nhumbo Primary School. This social accountability initiative led to the construction of toilets and a landfill, restoring dignity and ensuring a healthier learning environment for 433 children (195 girls and 238 boys).

In 2025 alone, World Vision Mozambique influenced 23 policies and policy processes at both local and national levels, directly and indirectly benefiting an estimated 11.8 million children. These achievements reflect strong and sustained engagement with decision-makers to integrate child-centered priorities into public policy, planning, and budgeting frameworks.

In the same year, more than 2,000 children and youth from outside World Vision Mozambique's project areas actively participated in advocacy initiatives, both face-to-face with duty bearers and through social media, organized with the organization's technical and logistical support.

## CAMPAIGNS

### Global Campaigns

It Takes a World (ITAW) – Working toward a world free from violence against children, this campaign aims to transform the reality for children affected by violence by providing a platform for people to speak out, call for action, and contribute to ending all forms of violence against children. In Mozambique, the campaign has focused on efforts to eliminate child marriage by promoting community-led and community-owned interventions that prevent and respond to violence against children.

ENOUGH Campaign – A global partnership initiative calling for action to end child hunger and malnutrition. In Mozambique, the campaign—officially launched in 2025 under the Portuguese name “Já Chega”—has become a key driver in national efforts to address the persistently high levels of chronic malnutrition, which affect nearly 4 in 10 children.

The President of the Republic of Mozambique, Daniel Chapo, has pledged to expand access to school meals nationwide. School feeding is a cornerstone of World Vision's ENOUGH Global Campaign to end child malnutrition, and the Mozambican Head of State has been briefed on the initiative and expressed his support.

## NATIONAL CAMPAIGNS

Behavior Change Campaigns – Led by World Vision Mozambique as the principal recipient of the Global Fund project to prevent and combat malaria, these campaigns bring together political leaders, technical experts, local communicators, partners, community and religious leaders, and civil society representatives. The objective is to promote the effective use of mosquito nets and encourage behaviors that prevent malaria transmission.

Legal Campaigns – To address the challenges faced by communities with limited access to basic services, World Vision Mozambique, in partnership with the government, organizes legal campaigns to improve access to essential services in hard-to-reach areas. These include civil registration for children, legal support services, awareness sessions, and assistance for cases involving violence and early marriage.

## COLLABORATION

WV-Moz's advocacy achievements are anchored in strong, multi-level collaborations across public and non-public sectors.

### Public Sector Engagement

WV-Moz partners with a broad range of government institutions, including but not limited to:

- Ministry of Labor, Gender, Children, and Social Action;
- Ministry of Justice, Constitutional and Religious Affairs;
- Ministry of Interior;
- Ministry of Agriculture;
- Ministry of Land and Environment;
- Ministry of Health;
- Ministry of Economy and Finance;
- Ministry of Public Works, Housing and Water Resources;
- Assembly of the Republic of Mozambique;
- Supreme Court;
- Justice Ombudsman;
- Provincial Governments in Gaza, Tete, Nampula, Zambézia, and Cabo Delgado
- National Institute for Disaster Risk Management.

These partnerships ensure close alignment with national priorities and the Government's Five-Year Plan.

WV-Moz also works through and alongside key coalitions and networks, including:

- Movement for Education for All (MEPT)
- Local Education Group – Global Partnership for Education (LEG-GPE)
- 3R Platform (ROSC, Rede da Criança, Rede CAME)
- National Coalition to End Early Marriages (CECAP)
- Universal Periodic Review Monitoring Forum (FMMRPU)
- Budget Monitoring Forum (FMO)
- Scaling Up Nutrition Civil Society Platform (PSC-SUN)
- National Movement Against Femicide and Gender-Based Violence (LEVANTE)
- National Network for Inclusive Education and Violence Prevention
- National Network for the Prevention of Sexual Abuse and Exploitation,
- Water and Sanitation Group (GAS)
- Mozambique Debt Group
- Council of Religions of Mozambique
- Coalition for the Elimination of Child Marriage (CECAP)
- Child Focused Civil Society Organizations Network (ROSC)

Through these strategic partnerships, WV-Moz amplifies collective impact and sustains long-term advocacy outcomes for children across Mozambique.

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