



PEACEBUILDING & CONFLICT SENSITIVITY



Capacity
Statement

Our Context

World Vision is a global humanitarian, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice.

World Vision thrives as a world-class leader in the integration of conflict sensitivity and peacebuilding within humanitarian, development, and advocacy programmes; providing significant contributions to community-based and child/youth led peacebuilding and reconciliation particularly in fragile and conflict-prone contexts.

[Our Promise](#) strategy aligns with Agenda 2030 and compels us to respond to the needs of the most vulnerable children in the most difficult contexts. In addition, our commitment to bridge the gap between humanitarian and development programming prompts us to bring conflict sensitivity and peacebuilding to the forefront as elements that lead to a more sustainable peace, particularly in fragile and conflict-prone contexts. By focusing on peacebuilding and conflict sensitivity, World Vision ensures that:

- » Our programming, particularly in conflict-prone and fragile contexts minimises harm on the communities whom we work with.
- » Our programming builds on local capacities and contributes to positive peace.
- » Our programming contributes to address the root causes of conflict to ensure sustainable and lasting impact for the most vulnerable children and communities

Our Commitment

World Vision seeks peace and pursues it because we are Christian, community-empowering, and child- focused. World Vision also pursues peace because violent conflict affects thousands of communities where the organisation works, and jeopardises World Vision's aspirations to sustained child well-being. We seek to build peace with and for children and young people by weaving resilience through their communities through context-appropriate peacebuilding interventions.

Our commitment is to:

- » Understand, monitor, and respond to context changes based on appropriate analysis
- » Apply social cohesion approaches to bring communities together in various contexts
- » Support, promote and listen to children and young people enabling them to mobilise for peace
- » Work with key partners, particularly faith leaders and faith groups, to enable peacebuilding and reconciliation in the communities where we work

Our Approach

Making Sense of Turbulent Contexts

At the national level, World Vision has developed the [Making Sense of Turbulent Contexts \(MSTC\)](#) tool to analyse root causes and future scenarios of violent conflicts. WVEARO has carried out workshops in Burundi, South Sudan, Sudan and Somalia.

Good Enough Context Analysis for Rapid Response

[Good Enough Context Analysis for Rapid Response \(GECARR\)](#) is a World Vision context analysis tool that provides a macro-level analysis of a country or a specific region during or in anticipation of a crisis. GECARR is designed to be an inter-agency tool and is flexible, so that can be used in unpredictable and conflict-prone contexts.

The GECARR context analysis tool:

- » Draws together the views of a wide variety of internal and external stakeholders, including local community members
- » Produces a snapshot of the current situation
- » Generates actionable and practical recommendations for INGOs involved in humanitarian responses

GECARR has been carried out in Kenya, Ethiopia, Somalia and South Sudan.

Integrating Peacebuilding and Conflict Sensitivity

At the project and programme level, World Vision builds staff and partner capacity in a core set of competencies including the international standard, the [Do No Harm/Local Capacities for Peace](#) tool, along with participatory learning and community dialogue skills. Together these competencies are called [Integrating Peacebuilding and Conflict-Sensitivity \(I-PACS\)](#), and are delivered to staff and partners through a combination of several World Vision-developed learning products. In addition to the Do No Harm concept, I-PACS also includes an approach known as Integrating Peacebuilding in Programming (IPIPs), which helps integrate five strategic peacebuilding processes into large-scale programmes and aims at contributing to positive and sustainable peace.

Do No Harm for Faith Groups

The '[Do No Harm for Faith Groups \(DNH4FGs\): Christian-Muslim Edition](#)' is a guidance for faith leaders/representatives of faith groups who want to understand more about conflict sensitivity and be able to apply it in their day to day work. The participants in these workshops are religious leaders and faith-based organisations (FBO) staff who work closely with the host organisation. The workshop relates Do No Harm (DNH) principles – also known as Local Capacities for Peace (LCP) – to faith teachings. The workshop intends to help participants

understand DNH and peacebuilding and how their faith and role as leaders nurture the community with DNH principles and to rediscover what sacred scriptures and religious texts say about peacebuilding. DNH4FGs trainings have been carried out in Kenya and Tanzania. In Kenya, it led to the formation of Umoja Joint Interfaith Organization (UJIFO) in Changamwe, Mombasa.

Since then, WV's programming integrated ECaP within their humanitarian, development and advocacy initiatives. Based on the experiences thus far, the organisation made a decision to convert the "project model" into a "programming guide". This is to provide more flexibility to the staff who implement the initiatives and to provide more innovative spaces to the young people.

Empowering Children (and youth) as Peacebuilders

Empowering Children as Peacebuilders (ECaP) was a co-creation by young people from many countries and the staff where WV had its humanitarian, development and advocacy (including peacebuilding) programming. This peacebuilding experience was published as a "project model" in 2009 after a global consultation led by the young people in the Philippines. It is worth mentioning that in World Vision's definition, "youth" corresponds to the 12-18 age group because the organisation works specifically with children.

Peace Skills for Transformational Development

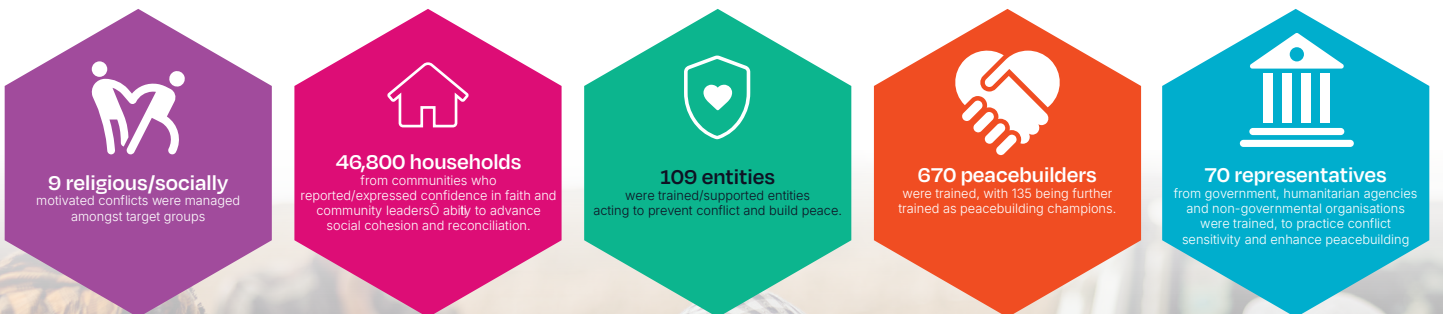
Peace Skills for Transformational Development (PS4TD) is a 12 modular training designed for adults (women and men) to better acquire peace skills. This training curriculum builds on DNH/IPACS (specifically the IPIPs). The trainings are mostly incorporated into sectoral interventions to ensure integration of Peacebuilding into projects and programmes in humanitarian, development and fragile contexts – specifically to identify and address the root causes of conflict.

Our Impact

Empowering Children as Peacebuilders (ECaP) Project Kenya - 2020



The Gedo-Guji Peacebuilding Project



Our Expertise

Within the East Africa region, Peacebuilding and Interfaith Relations is led by the Senior Technical Advisor, Interfaith and Peacebuilding. The Senior Advisor works closely with the Faith and Development, Social Cohesion and Peacebuilding teams within the field offices. He also collaborates with the Global Centre Security, Conflict Sensitivity and Peacebuilding Programming teams. In total, the region has close to 30 staff involved in Peacebuilding Programming.

Our Partners

World Vision EARO is a member of the Conflict Sensitivity Hub, The Hidden Peacebuilders and The Great Lakes Initiative.

World Vision collaborates with partners who significantly contribute to our work. Key partners include:



World Vision is a relief, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. Inspired by our Christian values, we are dedicated to working with the world's most vulnerable people. We serve all people regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

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