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World Vision Burundi (WVB) serves more than **340,000** people in Burundi.

35,402 children under the age of five were screened in FY13 and **4,451** of them were found to be malnourished & were rehabilitated in our PD/Hearth (Foyer d'Apprentissage et de Rehabilitation Nutritionnelle, FARN).

A budget of US\$14,987,312 was used to support children and their communities in our areas of work.

We partner with communities in 16 Area Development Programs (ADPs) in six provinces.

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World Vision Burundi Areas of work



World Vision (WV) started operations in Burundi in 1963 with limited interventions in collaboration with local partners until closure in 1990. Following unprecedented humanitarian needs triggered by the conflict in 1993, WV restarted its interventions in 1995, opening an office in Bujumbura.

Since 2008, WVB has shifted its intervention from Emergency Relief to transformational development through long term Area Development programming (ADP) that is funded through child sponsorship.

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Area	No. of ADPs	Donor Country
Munyinga	4	Australia, USA
Cankuzo	2	Germany
Gitega	2	Hong Kong
Rutana	2	Korea
Karuzi	2	USA
Muramvya	4	Canada

Message from the National Director



On behalf of World Vision (WV) and the children of Burundi, I would like to thank all our staff and partners for the great support they have extended World Vision during fiscal year (FY) 2013. During FY 2013, World Vision Burundi has achieved three exciting milestones. First, we started to implement our new 3-year strategy through which World Vision will contribute towards improving the wellbeing of around one-million Burundian children.

We will achieve this goal by supporting projects that help poor families to: increase their food production and household incomes; access safe water and sanitation facilities; access quality and affordable primary health care services and; send their children to schools that provide appropriate and quality education programs.

Secondly, we experienced growth in our programs and revenue. We evaluated and redesigned four area development programs and started three new area development programs in Muranvya and Gitega provinces. Our annual budget increased by US\$ 2 million (from US\$ 13m during FY 2012 to US\$ 15m during FY 13). We

achieved this growth through strengthening partnerships with World Vision Support Offices that fund programs in Burundi (i.e., USA, Germany, Canada, Australia, Hong Kong and Korea). Similarly, we continued to receive support from strategic donors i.e., Australian Aid, World Food Program and UNICEF).

Finally, we implemented innovative project models that yielded immediate and scalable impact. For example, by teaching mothers how to prepare and feed their children better (using food types that already produced by their families), WV helped around 4,000 malnourished children to recover and stabilize their early childhood development journey. Similarly, WV trained community volunteers and parents who assisted 2,300 children to learn how to read and write. The majority of these children have not yet enrolled in school (which gives them a great start towards their learning journey). In addition, World Vision supported 180 voluntary savings groups (with approximately 4,000 low income entrepreneurs) to increase their annual savings by 40% and broaden their economic opportunities.

During FY 2014, we will focus on three strategic priorities: growing our programs and revenue; scaling-up successful project models to achieve broader impact and sustainability and; strengthening our partnerships with World Vision Support Offices and donors.

I invite all our staff and partners to passionately support this exciting journey that will help more than 300,000 children to experience progressive and sustainable improvement in their wellbeing.

Albert Siminyu
National Director

Nutrition & Health

What is the situation?

Most of the Burundi population lives on less than US \$1.25 per day and 58% of children are chronically malnourished (DHS, 2010). The rate of malnutrition goes up to 71 per cent in some areas. Malnutrition is responsible for 1/3 deaths in children under five years old. Only 27.8% of children between 6 -11 months old living in rural areas receives a meal with three food groups. Only 32.9% of children under 2 years old are receiving three meals a day (UNICEF KAP Survey 2010). Burundi situation is described as extremely alarming and the country is ranked among countries with the highest levels of hunger (Global Hunger Index 2013). Approximately 220 children under five years old die per day (DHS, 2010). The infant mortality rate is 59 deaths per 1000 live births and neonatal mortality rate is 31 deaths per 1,000 live births. Maternal mortality rate is 500 deaths per 100,000 live births and skilled birth attendance is at 60%. The prevalence of HIV is 2.97% in general population. Preventing Mother-to-Child Transmission Coverage (PMCTC) rate is (23%).

Key approaches such as Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI), Healthy Timing and Spacing of Pregnancy (HTSP), Positive Deviance for Family Planning, (PD/FP), and Community Lead Total Sanitation (CLTS) are used.



World Vision Response.

Through its community based nutrition interventions, WVB is addressing nutrition challenges using community based approaches. WVB is the lead in the execution of the FARN model (Foyer d' Apprentissage et de Rehabilitation Nutritionnelle) currently adopted as the best model in the country for community based nutrition interventions. The FARN model is being implemented in partnership with the Ministry of Health and UNICEF. WVB has been actively involved in the development of national strategic documents such as Community Based Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) protocol, FARN guidelines, National Nutrition Action Plan 2012-2015, and Infant and Young Child Feeding guidelines (IYCF). In terms of Health, WVB provides support to health institutions in enhancing health services by providing medicines, medical equipment, mosquito nets, and raising awareness on prevention and the early diagnosis of malaria. WVB also supports people living with HIV and OVC as well as reinforcing HIV/AIDS clubs in schools and HIV prevention for youth out of schools

Key Achievements in FY13

- 35,402 children screened for malnutrition.
- 4,134 lactating women delivered by skilled birth attendants.
- 9,415 households building better food storage facilities



Success Story: Treatment that Makes a Difference

"I believed that my child had been entered by an evil spirit," Alice mother of Liella, a three-year-old girl of Bukeye commune in Muramvya province, recounts.

When Liella was one year old, she became sick, and her health worsened daily. Making it worse, her mother carried her to witch doctors that performed their rituals in vain. World Vision health mobilisers in the area knew about Liella's story and went to advise her mother to bring Liella to a hospital. When she was brought to Muramvya Hospital she was found to be severely malnourished and was treated with Ready to Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF), supplied to the hospital by WVB. World Vision Volunteers decided to follow up with that case, they started paying home visits to Liella's mother, teaching her how to feed her child with locally available nutritious food.

Liella is now a healthy and lively three-year old girl because her mother is putting into practice what she was taught by World Vision volunteers.

Food Security & Education



Food Security

Burundi's ever-growing population has reduced the amount of land available to families for agriculture and livestock production. More than 60% of Burundi's population is at risk of food insecurity (International Food Policy Research Institute 2013). WVB has 11 programs of food security and livelihood interventions in six provinces budgeted at US\$1,451,950 in FY 13.

Among the many strategic activities implemented in 2013, WVB has focused on increasing crop yields, providing seedlings to households for promoting fruits trees, and assisting farmers with the provision of small livestock such as rabbits, chickens, goats and guinea pigs

Education

Overcrowded classrooms, under trained teachers, high drop out and failure rates characterize Burundi's education system today. The transition rate from primary school to secondary school is 30%, and only 68.5% finish their primary school). The repetition rate is 34.6% and 7.5% leave without finishing school. In terms of literacy, only 39.7% of grade 11 students can read autonomously (UNDP,2012). In 2013, WVB invested US \$ 1,500,000 in education interventions. WVB builds and equips schools; provides textbooks, didactic materials and library books to children and schools most in need. WVB also focuses on capacity building of teachers, School Management Committees, local administration, parents and volunteers' awareness to enhance the learning environment for every child.

WVB currently pilots the Reading to Learn Project, focusing on teachers' training, community action/engagement, assessments and reading materials creation. More than 2,300 children enjoy reading camps sessions weekly throughout 42 reading camps with more than 18,000 primers and story books developed locally. WVB plans to scale up in this project in five more ADPs.

Water Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)

More than 80% of visits to health centres in rural areas are linked to lack of access to clean drinking-water and 14% of causes of deaths for children under-five years old are related to diarrhea (DHS, 2010). Costs associated with adequate sanitation remain a heavy burden.

WVB is working closely with the Ministry of Energy & Mining in charge of water supply to strengthen access and supply of potable water to communities in order to reduce waterborne diseases. In the past 3 years, WVB has invested in projects focusing on spring capping activities, construction of gravity fed rural piped water systems, rehabilitations of water points and rain water harvesting tanks. Additionally, WVB is implementing innovative projects such as the establishment of solar powered water supply schemes in areas where gravity systems are not possible due to the difficult landscape and roof catchment system for rainwater harvesting at schools and health centers.



Advocacy and Child Protection

More than 650,000 Burundian children are orphans (National Council Against AIDS, 2009), among them 37% are HIV/AIDS orphans. 194,000 are internally displaced, 180,000 are returnees, 5,000 are street children and 200 are in jail.

Still carrying the scars of the recent civil war and living in extreme poverty, these vulnerable children experience an assortment of difficulties, including high rates of involuntary pregnancies and early marriages, abandonment or lack of birth certificate or identification. WVB raises awareness about children's rights with regards to education, child protection against sexual violence and misappropriation of property. WVB encourages a neighbours' eyes approach where anyone who has evidence is encouraged to report any child abuse. Two innovations to increase child participation were introduced in 2013: Child Helpline and Children Forum. These offer children, as well as adults, a chance to have their voices heard.

Clean water nearby, more school time.

Vianney, is a 15-year-old school boy of Rutegama ADP, centre of Burundi who used to come to class soaking wet.

Vianney a Grade 5 student, was wet from the stream and ponds he had to wade into to collect water for his mother and old grandmother before he goes to school.

His school uniform was drenched from sweat from collecting water and from running faster because he was using so much time to get back from the stream. His back ached too, he says, from carrying the water container. "I did my best to carry a big container so as not to go there twice," he recounts. Recently this situation changed, WVB partnered with his community in a WASH Project. A gravity system supply of twelve km is distributing water on five hills including Vianney's hill. Now a water point is only a few metres away from Vianney's family. He no longer carries the big container he used to carry. This helped him to gain school time he lost while collecting water. Water supply in his community changed his daily routine. Much of his time is now dedicated to studying; World Vision took away the need for Vianney to carry that big container.



54,800 people gained access to clean water



Highlights of 2013

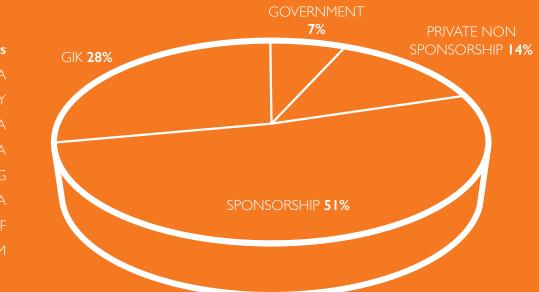
- 14,682 beneficiaries supported with different sorts of seeds after draught damaged crops
- 11, 190 victims of flooding supported with assorted food commodities
- 21,013 women at reproductive age trained on family planning
- 272 women derived incomes from small animal breeding
- 770 animal distributed to households
- 101 households adopted environment monitoring systems and 12,526 agroforestry trees were produced and planted
- 1,218 farming tools distributed in 8 hills
- 249 community health workers are able to deliver health care at community level
- 10,058 community members trained on detection, home treatment and referral of child diseases
- 6,846 community members sensitized on exclusive breast feeding
- 141 people trained on management of water supply systems
- Rehabilitation of a water gravity system of 10 km, benefiting 2,500 people
- Construction of 49 water springs for 43,320 beneficiaries
- 8 community water points rehabilitated for 11,480
 beneficiaries
- 2,300 school children registered in Reading to Learn project

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FINANCIAL **PROFILE**

REVENUE

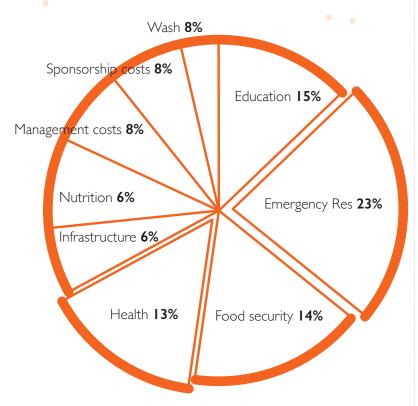
GOVERNMENT	1,005,217
PRIVATE NON SPONSORSHIP	2,037,561
SPONSORSHIP	7,725,743
GIFT IN KIND (GIK)	4,218,791
TOTAL	14,987,312



Our Partners USA GERMANY CANADA AUSTRALIA HONG KONG KOREA UNICEF WORLD FOOD PROGRAM

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ACTUAL EXPENDITURES BY SECTOR



What do your donor and sponsorship dollar do?

World Vision makes sure all funding is channeled to the most vulnerable people. To date 29,033 children have enrolled in our sponsorship programme, 21,748 among them were sponsored.

Our Area Development Model is an integrated and holistic approach, focused on the well-being of children. This model implements programs in Health, Nutrition, Food Security and Livelihood, Education, Water, Hygiene and Sanitation in a specific geographic area.

YOU MAKE THIS WORK POSSIBLE.

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WV Burundi Strategy Outline (2013-2015)

World Vision Burundi has a three year national

strategy that spans from 2013-2015.

Goal: World Vision Burundi will have contributed to

the well-being of 937,000 vulnerable children by 2015.

Three Year Ministry Priority

- 1. Food Security: Improve household food security status, resilience to shocks and recovery from disasters
- 2. Health and Nutrition: Improve health and nutritional status of children and pregnant and lactating women

- 3. Education: Improve access to quality education
- 4. Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH): Improve access to adequate WASH practices
- 5. Child Protection: Promote child protection, participation and spiritual development
- 6. Disaster Risk Reduction and emergency response: Improve community resilience to shocks and response to disasters
- 7. Cross-cutting themes: Gender, Christian Commitments, Advocacy, Disability and Peace Building



What's New? Banks for the Poor.

Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLAs)

Many local communities have irregular and insuffiient incomes. They have no financial institutions that can provide credits and are locked into cycles of dependency.

Community members are not resilient to economic shocks and household emergencies and continue to need assistance. WVB recently started partnering with those communities to start Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLAs). WVB role is to facilitate savings and credit in a small-scale and sustainable way. This approach has already started in four provinces and though the VSLAs are still in the initial stages in some areas, they are currently the best way to help these communities to be resilient. With World Vision's facilitation, members of the savings groups are now able to plan ahead, to cope with household emergencies and to develop their livelihoods. They now have access to micro-credits. Even in its early stage (8 months), its impact is already obvious. 1,831 community members received loans through 73 VSLAs. World Vision Burundi wants to scale up this approach up to 6,500 beneficiaries by 2015.

Peace-building Project

While Burundi is recovering from a long ethnic war, it is still sensitive to discussion about the responsibility of different groups for the massacres that resulted in the loss of more than 300,000 lives. WVB recently launched its Peace-building project to help community members, especially children to come together through cultural clubs and discuss the root causes of human rights violation and how to escape the cycle of ethnic conflicts that Burundi endured. In FY14, WVB in partnership with Trans World Radio Burundi is starting a reconciliation programme through media.



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WHO WE ARE

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with children, families, and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice.

We serve close to 100 million people in nearly 100 countries around the world.

Motivated by our faith in Jesus Christ, we serve alongside the poor and oppressed as a demonstration of God's unconditional love for all people – regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

Our Vision:

Our vision for every child, life in all its fullness; our prayer for every heart, the will to make it so.

Our 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 humanitarian transformation, seeking justice and bear witness to the good news of the Kingdom of God.



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