

WORLD VISION EAST AFRICA **HUNGER RESPONSE** SITUATION REPORT NO.I 13 March 2017



KEY MESSAGES

- Tens of thousands of children could As communities fracture and go in search starve to death as famine, starvation, food and water shortages affect 22 million people in Ethiopia, Kenya, South Sudan and Somalia.
- International aid is urgently needed before the window of opportunity to help closes. The crisis is not getting the •WorldVision is on the ground responding attention it needs to ensure children and their families are protected from a looming catastrophe.
- The hunger crisis is exacerbated by drought, conflict and political instability and is forcing people to migrate into areas affected by conflict and putting children at huge risk of violence, exploitation and abuse.

of food and water millions of children have abandoned schools. They risk being separated from families and exposed to harm and violence. Our aim is to help children survive, thrive and return to school.

but urgently needs US\$92 million NOW to scale up humanitarian assistance in the four countries. Our response will meet the health, nutrition, child protection, shelter, education livelihoods. and water and sanitation needs of the most vulnerable.

HUMANITARIAN SITUATION OVERVIEW

Ethiopia: 5.6 mllion people are now in need of direct food assistance to stem the effects of multiple seasons of failed rains and drought in more than 360 Districts (Woredas) throughout the country. Cross-border movements in search of fodder and food continue in the southern areas of the country where food insecurity has reached crises levels. Mal-nutrition in children under the age of 5 has increased severely and access to water in affected areas is decreasing daily.

Kenya: Throughout the country, more than 2.7 million people are food insecure with more than 357,000 children under 5 acutely malnourished. Areas of need continue to grow. Staple food prices in the country have risen by close to 30% in the past 3 months. In certain areas of the North, severe acute malnutrition (SAM) levels have reached double the emergency level where at least 30% of children are on the brink of starvation.

*Famine: 'A catastrophic food shortage affecting large numbers of people due to climatic, environmental and socioeconomic reasons,' UN DHA, Glossary of Humanitarian Terms, 2008.

RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS





Somalia: More than 2.9 million people are experiencing a hunger crisis, and are on the verge of Famine. Those in stressed situations that could potentially worsen in the coming months has reached 3.3 million. Over 363,000 children under 5 years old are acutely malnourished and are suffering terribly with limited access to food and water. Internal displacement camps throughout the country are bursting with new arrivals in search of food, water and protection exacerbating their already dire situation.

South Sudan: Famine has been declared in Unity State where more than 100,000 people are on the verge starvation. Close to 2 Million people are displaced throughout the country. The ongoing conflict, limited humanitarian access, and the accelerated rise in general insecurity across the country continue to increase food insecurity affecting more than 4.9 million people. Disease outbreaks are growing in number with cholera spiking in certain areas of the country.

WHAT WORLD VISION IS DOING



Health and Nutrition

Somalia

- 763 people treated by the mobile health team in Eyl and Dangoroyo during the first week of February including 21 severely malnourished children and 56 children under five years affected by Acute Watery Diarrhoea (AWD).
- Through the ongoing Maternal Child Health (MCH) and nutrition projects, World Vision screened children affected by malnutrition in drought affected areas of Gabiley, Wajaale, Baki, Arabsiyo, Bali- Gubadle, Lughaya and Baki in Somaliland.

South Sudan

- 24,129 children aged between 6-59 months received 143 MT of blended grains (CSB++) while 6,630 children of the same age group received 0.735 MT of nutritional supplement.
- 19,430 children under 5 (9436 boys, 9994 girls) were screened for malnutrition.
- 147 children (56 boys, 91 girls) were discharged from treatment and 174 children (95 boys, 79 girls) were discharged from treatment (TSFP) as cured. During the same exercise 5,543 pregnant and lactating women (PLWs) were screened for malnutrition.

Food security and Food Assistance

Somalia

- World Vision is doing Food for Voucher under the Food for Peace (FFP) project in Zaila and Lughaya areas in Somaliland for the response. An estimated 1,811 households are directly benefiting from the project.
- World Vision is planning to distribute eight metric tons of high energy biscuits received from WFP for 5,667 households including newly arrived and displaced people.

South Sudan

- 134,129 beneficiaries received 2347 MTs of assorted food commodities under regular General Food Distribution (GFD) in Malakal POC, Malakal Town and Melut, whilst the RRM missions for deep field reached Wathjak, Ulang and Nyangore locations.
- Under Cash For Training, a total of 6812 Households were trained in the Nutrition module in all the 10 centres in Juba while 43 beneficiaries have commenced training in entrepreneurship skills, covering tailoring and building, 25 more are expected to commence training in Welding skills.

Kenya

WorldVision Kenya is carrying out eight projects in six counties that reach 192,889 Kenyans and 184,534 Refugees. Other affected counties are being reached through livelihoods and resilience.

🖬 WASH

Ethiopia

WVE is responding to the most acute water and sanitation needs throughout the country addressing the needs of over 100,000 individuals with clean water and access to sanitation in the most affected areas through water trucking, bore well and latrine construction.

Kenya

Currently, WVK is beginning to facilitate water trucking to avail water for human and livestock use in target communities and institutions while procuring numerous tanks for storage. At the same time, WVK is rehabilitating dilapidated wells and earthen dams to ensure water is available and accessible to the most affected communities addressing the needs of over 120,000 individuals.

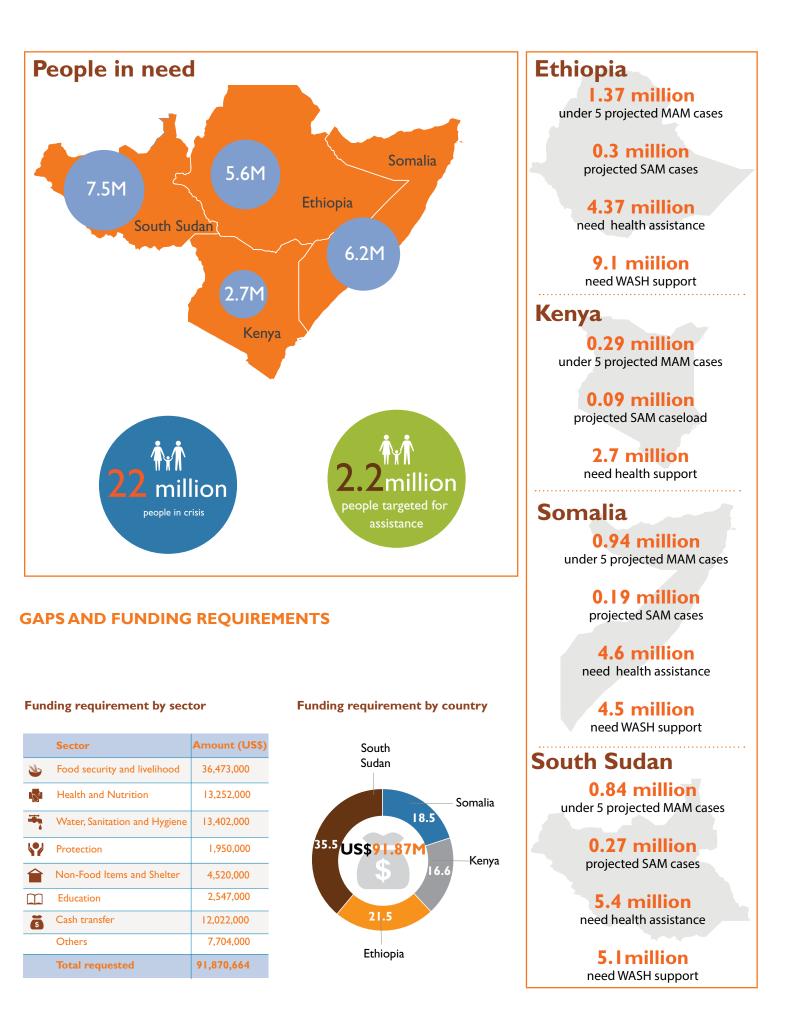
Somalia

- World Vision carried out bacteriological tests for 196 wells in Baidoa in efforts to reduce AWD outbreaks arising from contaminated water. The focus was especially among settlements receiving new IDPs and also within areas with protracted IDP settlements.
- In response to the Director General's request for support to the districts newly hit by the AWD.WorldVision provided assorted AWD case management supplies adequate to treat 600 patients for Berdale district and for Gofgaduud Burey MCH centre run by ALDA, a local NGO.

South Sudan:

WVSS supplies over 737,000 litres of clean and safe water per day to 69,929 IDPs across the response area, through our various water supply systems and water treatment plants in Upper Nile.







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