



Education Solomon Islands

Who We Are

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

Inspired by our Christian values, World Vision is dedicated to working with the world's most vulnerable people. World Vision serves all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

World Vision has more than 30 years of experience in community development in Solomon Islands. World Vision works with children, families, government, communities and other partners to improve lives and combat poverty.

Where We Work

WEATHER COAST	24 Communities
EAST MALAITA	17 Communities
MAKIRA	15 Communities
TEMOTU	15 Communities



71%

of Solomon Islands' population finished primary school

17%

of Solomon Islands' adult population are literate

*UNESCO Institute for Statistics (data from 2013 & 1999 reports)
Close, S. (2012). Skills for Solomon Islands: Opening new opportunities. World Bank.*



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Education and Adult Literacy in Solomon Islands

The Solomon Islands is made up of 992 islands in nine provinces. Cultural diversity is evident in the 75 languages spoken, with pijin English understood by most. Literacy rates are low, with more than half the Solomon Islands' population functionally illiterate, meaning they lack the skills to read shop signs, prices or health clinic notices. As a result the process of educational reform in Solomon Islands has a strong focus on improving literacy rates.

Our Early Childhood Education and Adult Literacy Projects

World Vision actively supports the focus on literacy at both ends of the population, with our Adult Literacy and Early Childhood Education projects. Early Childhood Education (ECE) is recognised internationally as a foundation for lifelong learning and critical for school readiness. For many remote regions in the Solomon Islands, access to education is limited. Communities recognise that building a classroom can be life changing for children. For adults, literacy programs greatly improve lives by helping people gain access to information and participate more fully in their communities. The programs also equip parents with the skills to support their children's education. Since Solomon Islands' girls often receive less education than boys, World Vision focuses on the education of women and girls in our projects.



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Weather Coast Early Childhood Education Project

This project aims to improve early childhood education for children of East Guadalcanal. It is funded by the Ministry of Education and Human Resources Development and is due to end in 2016.

East Malaita Early Childhood Education Project

This project aims to increase access to and enrolment in quality early childhood education in East Malaita. This four year project is funded by the New Zealand Government Partnerships for International Development Fund and World Vision NZ. It is due to end in 2016.

Makira Adult Literacy Project

This project aims to improve literacy amongst men and women to assist them with economic development. Numeracy skills are taught to assist communities in establishing small businesses. It is supported by the Australian Government and World Vision Australia. It is due to end in 2016.

Temotu Literacy for Livelihood Project

This project aims to help women and youth on the Santa Cruz and Reef Islands to become functionally literate and actively participate in economic, social and educational activities in their communities. It is supported by the New Zealand Government's Sustainable Development Fund. The three year project will end in 2016.


Our Key Partners and Stakeholders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
 - Ministry of Education and Human Resources Department
 - New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
 - Provincial Governments of Guadalcanal, Makira- Ulawa, Malaita, and Temotu
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- Australian People, Health and Education Development Abroad
 - Coalition on Education for Solomon Islands
 - Literacy Association of Solomon Islands
 - Solomon Islands National University
 - Solomon Islands Translation Advisory Group
 - Other Non-Government Organisations

Funding

World Vision receives funding from private donors, businesses, foundations and government grants. Corporations or government agencies also donate gifts-in-kind such as food, commodities, clothing and school supplies to resource education and other projects.

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