KEY MESSAGES

• **Drought conditions remain critical:** Due to drought, water stress is acute, milk production and livestock prices are well below normal, and livestock mortality is rising in the following counties: Garissa, Isiolo, Kajiado, Kilifi, Laisamis, Narok, Samburu (East), Tana River, and Wajir (South and West).

• **Other drought-affected areas are no longer in crisis:** In some other Arid and Semi-arid lands (ASAL) areas, particularly in the northwest and in parts of the coast, conditions have returned to normal following significant off-season rainfall in recent months. However, in all ASAL counties, staple food prices remain well above normal, at a time when market dependence is high in the wake of successive poor seasons.

• **Acute malnutrition:** World Vision continues to respond to child malnutrition, with more than 420,000 children and nearly 37,000 pregnant and lactating women requiring treatment for acute malnutrition across the country. Many areas continue to have Global Acute Malnutrition (GAM) rates over the emergency threshold of 15 per cent.

• **Presidential election:** The country’s security situation has returned to normal after a volatile few months. Violence spiked in November in many informal settlements in Nairobi and Kisumu following the repeat presidential election held on the 26th October 2017, which was boycotted by the main opposition party.

• **Access to health care services:** After 150 days, the nurses’ national strike which begun in June was called off by the nurses’ union in November 2017. Nurses were ordered to resume their duties and restore health services across the country. The strike negatively affected maternal and child health along with, HIV and nutrition services.

• **Scaling up response:** In relation to the drought response interventions, the World Vision Kenya Flash Appeal has a funding gap of US $19.1M. Without additional funding, World Vision Kenya will be unable to optimally support the drought emergency response, and mitigate the risks of a worsening situation for children.

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**SITUATION HIGHLIGHTS**

- **420,674** under 5 children require treatment for malnutrition
- **39,068** pregnant and lactating women require assistance
- **2.9 million** people in need of health intervention
- **3.5 million** people need access to safe drinking water, hygiene and sanitation water
- **3.4 million** people in need of food assistance and livelihood intervention
- **588,000** children in need of education intervention
To ensure children and their families are protected from a looming calamity, World Vision Kenya’s response reached 317,919 people affected by drought through emergency response and normal programming/early recovery supported by donors and World Vision Support Offices in November 2017. Insecurity and political interference due to the presidential elections hampered delivery of the programmes.

**NUTRITION:**
- **Nutrition screening and treatment:** In collaboration with the Ministry of Health and other partners, World Vision Kenya facilitated 59 integrated health and nutrition outreaches for mass screening and reached 3,310 children and Pregnant and Lactating Women for active cases of malnutrition and linkage to stabilization centres.

- **Nutrition training:** In Laisamis, World Vision supported a total of 21 Mother to Mother Support Groups and nine community dialogue forums reaching a total of 800 people with mass dissemination of maternal infant and young child nutrition information.

- **Food assistance for children under 5 and their families:** A total of 94,305 children under five years, Pregnant and Lactating Women were reached through blanket supplementary feeding project in Laisamis (17,917), Baringo (41,948) and Turkana (34,400) with a total of 571,567.8 MTs of food distributed.

**WATER SANITATION AND HYGIENE**
- **Water purification:** Through the P&G Sanitation and hygiene drought response project in Laisamis, one public health officer and 17 school management committees were trained on the use of P&G sachets to purify water. A total of 1,033 beneficiaries were provided with 135,720 water treatment sachets.

- **Water services:** In Laisamis, test pumping and water quality tests have been carried out for the 5 boreholes. Water trucking is also ongoing, so far 36 trucks have been supplied within Marsabit County.

- **Dam liners:** Through the Mwatate Taveta Emergency Project, 11 farm ponds have been equipped with dam liners, thus the water used to supply water 582 people. The water is primarily used for micro irrigation and some is treated and used for domestic and livestock use.

**FOOD ASSISTANCE**
- **Cash assistance:** In partnership with WFP and county government, through Chakula kwa jamii, 97,234 beneficiaries were reached with cash assistance.
## Humanitarian Situation Overview

### Food Security and Livelihoods
- **398,760** people targeted in planned response
- **53%** funded
- **14.2M** unmet funding request
- **26.7M** requested for food security and livelihood activities
- **97,816** people reached
- **150,330** people to be reached

### Nutrition
- **159,138** people targeted in planned response
- **86%** funded
- **1.4M** unmet funding request
- **9.9M** requested for nutrition activities
- **98,415** people reached
- **27,161** people to be reached

### WASH
- **197,625** people targeted in planned response
- **35%** funded
- **1.5M** unmet funding request
- **4.2M** requested for water, sanitation, and hygiene
- **47,625** people reached
- **150,000** people to be reached

### Peace & Conflict Resolution
- **6,800** people targeted in planned response
- **28%** funded
- **10,000** unmet funding request
- **35,710** requested for peace and conflict resolution activities
- **2,000** people reached
- **4,800** people to be reached

### Child Protection & Education
- **96,063** people targeted in planned response
- **90%** funded
- **1.8M** unmet funding request
- **2.0M** requested for children protection and education activities
- **21,063** people reached
- **75,000** people to be reached

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