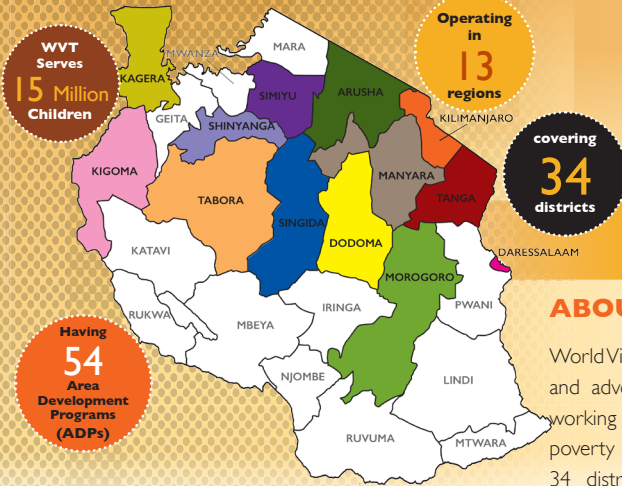




# World Vision

## COUNTRY FACTSHEET

# TANZANIA



### ABOUT WORLD VISION TANZANIA

World Vision Tanzania (WVT) is a Christian development, relief and advocacy non-governmental organization dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. WVT operates in 13 regions covering 34 districts. We implement our activities through Area Development Programs (ADPs) as an entry point within the targeted communities. Presently, we have 54 ADPs. WVT targets to improve the sustained well-being of 15 Million girls and boys - especially the most vulnerable.

### Priority issues



### National Priorities

With the understanding that only when families have economic security are they able to fully turn their attention to the needs of their children, our primary focus is to increase the incomes of subsistence farmers who live below the poverty line. Through our Empowered World View programme, we promote mind-set transformation as the first step toward achieving resilient livelihoods for families and justice for children. Resilient household livelihoods establish a foundation upon which our programmes to support a sustainable systems approach to Water; Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), Health, Nutrition and Educational programmes are built. The protection of children is a crosscutting theme integrated into all programming.

### Livelihoods

Most of Tanzania's population and the great majority of those living below the poverty line survive on rain-fed subsistence agriculture. World Vision Tanzania helps these smallholder farmers transition to market-oriented crop production, providing incomes for their families to spend on food, health and education. We organize farmers into Producer Groups and equip them with best practices in irrigation, crop and seed selection, soil management and crop harvesting and storage. We also nurture farmers' capacities to protect and restore natural resources and to prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters. Our microfinance affiliate VisionFund helps farmers finance the purchase of seed, fertilizer and the equipment necessary to run their farms as businesses. The Great African Food Company (GAFCo), a social enterprise established by World Vision, helps farmers improve production and access the best markets for high value crops.

# WHAT WE DO



## Advocacy & Justice for Children

World Vision Tanzania seeks to strengthen the spiritual development and protection of children from abuse and all forms of violence, ensuring their survival, healthy development and participation in society. With our Empowered World View training as a foundation, we use advocacy models including Citizen Voice and Action (CVA) and Child Protection and Advocacy (CPA) to give families and children themselves a voice with government and community leaders. Our Celebrating Families program equips families with training to create safe and loving environments for the well-being and nurturing of their children. Our Channels of Hope initiative engages and trains faith leaders to catalyse cultural and behavioural changes that benefit children.

## Health

World Vision Tanzania supports and advocates for the health needs of children at the grassroots, regional and national levels. Communities are taught to take responsibility for their own healthcare, especially for children, mothers and pregnant women. We help train Community Health Workers to promote healthful practices and to identify and respond to early signs of illness. Through our Child Health Now campaign, we advocate for policies that set a new standard for maternal and child healthcare.

## Nutrition

Working hand in hand with parents and caregivers in Nutrition Groups, World Vision Tanzania seeks to sustainably reduce malnutrition and growth stunting in children under age 5. Our Community Health Worker training promotes early initiation and exclusive breastfeeding for new-borns, dietary diversification, and micronutrient supplementation. Our Child Health Now campaign promotes best practices in fighting stunting, underweight, wasting and infant and maternal mortality.

## Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)

World Vision Tanzania promotes the large-scale provision of clean water, basic sanitation and hygiene education to reduce the incidence of disease and preventable deaths, especially in children. We partner with local district councils and communities to design, construct, manage

and renovate water infrastructure to make clean water sustainably accessible to all households. Additionally, we facilitate educational programmes in schools and public seminars to bring about behavioural changes that lead to improved hygiene.

## Education

Providing a good education secures a child's future. World Vision Tanzania strives to improve quality of education and equitable access for girls and boys by facilitating community involvement in education, promoting literacy, increasing access to early childhood education, and teaching life skills to adolescents. We emphasize economic empowerment so families can afford school uniforms and supplies, and children can eat nutritious meals and arrive at school ready to learn. We also address cultural factors that prevent girls from accessing education.

## Fast Facts



Tanzania has a population of 51 million, of which 3.3 million are impacted by the work of World Vision, including 1.6 million children.

Tanzania has an average per capita annual GDP of \$500 and 36% of the population lives below the absolute poverty line of \$1.25 per day.



Agriculture contributes about 24.1% of Tanzania GDP and employs about 75% of the total labour force (URT, The National Agriculture Policy, 2013)

48% of rural children lack basic needs compared with 10% of children in urban areas.



157,000 children under five years old die every year in Tanzania.

World Vision donors currently sponsor 128,305 Tanzanian children.



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