

World Vision launches a new Pan-African Campaign to end violence against children



H.E. Demitu Hambissa- Minister of Women's and Children's Affairs, speaking at the panel discussion (top right); Kevin J. Jenkins, WVI President and CEO (Left); participants of the launching ceremony (bottom right)

World Vision launched World Vision's new Campaign "It takes the world to end violence against children", on 6th February 2017 at Hilton Hotel, Addis Ababa.

This event was the first launch of a series of global and national launches of World Vision's new campaign to end violence against children, building on existing efforts and igniting a movement by bringing together partners who have the power to change children's lives.

Speaking during the Pan-African launch Kevin J. Jenkins, President and Chief Executive Officer of World Vision International (WVI) said, "Violence is often the unspoken secret in a culture – everyone knows it happens, but nobody wants to talk about it. It's time to shine a light on it. As a Christian organisation, World Vision is motivated by the belief that God loves every child....Allowing the routine cycle of violence to continue, generation upon generation hinders children's progress in every way."

"Violence against children is never justifiable. We want everyone to recognise violence against children for what it is, and everyone to act against it. Abusing a child is never justifiable, and it is preventable. We believe that a world without violence against children is possible," he added.



Mr. Théopane Nikyèma, Executive Director for The African Child Policy Forum said "Despite such encouraging results a lot remains to be done in ending violence against children. It demands the commitment of all. "We must unite, work together, and need a strategic partnership to end violence," pledged.

Similarly, Dr. Mustapha Sidiki Kaloko, Commissioner for Social Affairs of the African Union said, "We are very excited by the 'it takes a world to end violence campaign' which will significantly contribute to realising the Africa we want".

This campaign seeks to leverage engagement with governments, civil society, academia, faith-based partners and the private sector in order to overcome violence, promote peace and strive for authentic justice for children. It also seeks to challenge the attitudes and behaviors that condone it and by ensuring governments enact policies that prohibit it and provide services that prevent it.

Finally, attendants of the event including religious leaders, government ministers, African union commissioners and children pledged to end violence against children by signing on the pledge cards.

World Vision launches 2 billion birr development food security activity in Oromia region



Mr. Michael Mulford, DEAP Chief of Party, WVE (right) Mr. Andnet Degefa, Deputy Head of Food Security, Oromia Agriculture and Natural Resources Bureau (left) during the launching ceremony

World Vision launches 2 billion birr Development Food Security Activity (DFS) in Oromia region on 10 February 2017 in Adama. The project which will run from 2017 to 2022 has targeted more than 1 million direct and indirect beneficiaries. The program is part of the US\$175 million budget secured from USAID.

Speaking on the occasion Mr. Michael Mulford, Development Food Assistance Program Chief of Party says, "World Vision Ethiopia has been working in Oromia region for more than 40 years in 24 woredas of five zones. It has been implementing a number of integrated programs in the region reaching more than six million children and the most vulnerable population. Continuing its intervention, World Vision Ethiopia has now launched Development Food Assistance Program targeting more than one million people in six woredas. We will continue our commitment in partnership with the regional government and other NGOs to develop and strengthen the resilience of the community and improve food security."

Six Woredas in East Hararge, West Hararge and West Arsi zone of Oromia Region



USD 175 Million



1,232,408 People

DFAP

Mr. Andnet Degefa, Deputy Head of Food Security in Oromia Agriculture and Natural Resources Bureau says, "In the past five years more than 1.5 million people have benefited from World Vision Ethiopia Safety Net Program. WVE has now allocated a huge amount of resources that we should use exhaustively in six woredas of our region."

The program mainly focuses on strengthening Productive Safety Net Programme (PSNP) phase 4 institutions and

resilience of the community by enhancing livelihoods, increasing resilience to shocks, and improving food security and nutrition for rural households vulnerable to food insecurity.

The project targets an estimated 713,891 direct PSNP clients and 518,517 non-direct beneficiaries in six of the most vulnerable woredas in Oromia, from East Hararge Zone (Kurfachelle, Girawa Woredas), West Hararge zone (Chiro Zuria, Daro Lebo, and Gemechis Woredas) and West Arsi zone (Siraro Woreda).

Born On Time project holds basic Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care training in Amhara region

Born On Time (BOT) project conducted Basic Emergency Obstetric and Newborn care (BEmONC) training for 60 health workers drawn from fifteen project implementation districts of the three zones for one and half months at Gondar, Bahirdar and Debre markos universities.

The training aimed to enhance skills of health professionals on maternal and new born health care service provision, especially care for mothers and newborns during pregnancy, labour and delivery.

The training contributed to BOT program objective to improve the availability of quality, gender responsive maternal and neonatal health services. The training had eight days theoretical session and 13 days of practical sessions.

Trainees will get mentoring at their facilities after two months and receive their certificates based on their performance. Trainers comprised of a gynecologist and four senior midwives.

BOT project focuses on prevention and management of preterm birth and works to ensure reduction of stillbirth and neonatal mortality in the implementing areas.

WV Ethiopia opens two new APs to benefit 115,000 pastoral communities



Chief Admin of S. Omo zone presenting traditional hand woven scarf as honorary gift to WV Ethiopia ND

World Vision Ethiopia opened two new Area Programs (APs) in South Omo Zone of the South Nations Nationalities and Peoples Regional State. The APs will operate in four districts; namely Benna-Tsemay, Salamago, Malle, and South Ari with an initial budget of US\$ 839,253 secured from various sources to implement education, sanitation and hygiene, livelihood, and health projects in the years 2017 and 2018.

The launch ceremony was held at Jinka town, the capital of South Omo zone, 760 km south of the capital Addis Ababa in December 2016. Several invited guests and officials from the regional, zonal, the four districts, as well as members of the pastoral community and Jinka Town Youth Traditional Music Band took part at the event, with hope and energy to see the realisation of the long-awaited occasion.

Many community members and local government expressed their joy over the intervention by World Vision. They said the event was historical, as it would change the lives of hundreds of thousands of pastoral communities in South Omo zone. The project is expected to benefit over 115,000 community members in the coming two years, where over 80 percent of the communities are pastoralists and semi-pastoralists.

"This is the first step in a long journey towards improving the wellbeing of most vulnerable children in the area. We have a long-term commitment to the communities and plan to work closely with families, local government and other stakeholders." said Edward Brown, National Director of WV Ethiopia, adding that the program will continue supporting the community with increased funding size and number of projects.

"The role of NGOs such as World Vision in supporting the government's development endeavors through identifying the real needs and gaps in the community that the government couldn't meet is essential. The people of Salamago district have been eagerly waiting for the coming of World Vision. I promise to work hand and glove with World Vision in implementing this program and seeing its impact on the ground," said Banana Tebligu, chief administrator of Salamago District.



Benna-Tsemay, Salamago, Malle & South Ari districts of SNNPR



USD 839,253



115,000 People

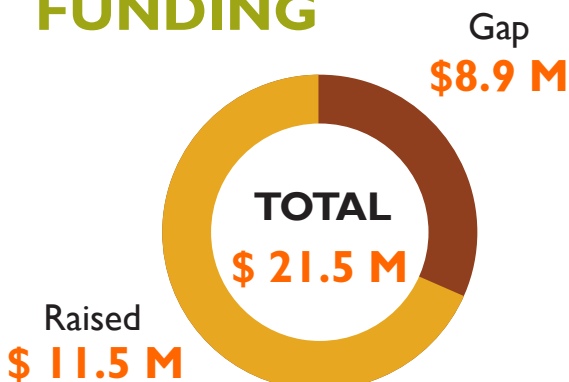
NEW APs

The presence of World Vision in the South Region dates back to 1971 with a two-year water drilling project in 1971. In the years 2010 to 2014, World Vision invested over US\$83 million in the region benefitting over four million people, particularly the most vulnerable children. Also, WV entered five years (2015 to 2019) agreement worth over US\$ 43 million to benefit nearly three million people through multi-integrated development interventions in 11 districts of the region.

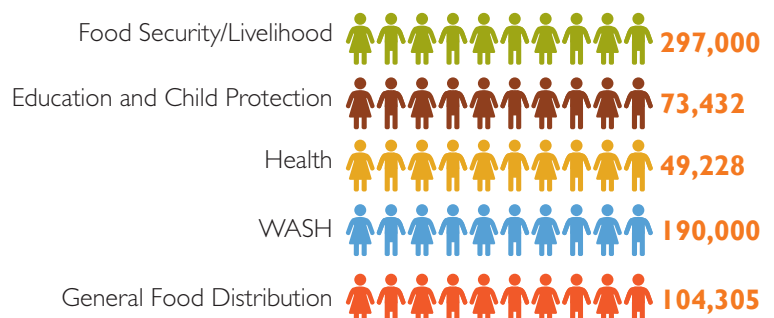
GAPS AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS for the new drought in Ethiopia

WVE is appealing for **\$ 21.5 M** to address the needs of **713,000** the most vulnerable children and their communities affected by the new drought in Ethiopia.

FUNDING



BENEFICIARIES



Strong cooperation for child-wellbeing and child rights



Mrs. Margaret Schuler, WVI East Africa Regional Leader and H.E. Dr. Mustapha Sidiki Kaloko, Commissioner for Social Affairs Commission of the AU during the signing ceremony

World Vision International and the African Union Commission (AUC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) at the end of the year 2016, at the headquarters of the African Union Commission here in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The objective of the MOU is to strengthen and deepen mutual co-operation between World Vision International and the African Union Commission and facilitate implementation of different frameworks and conventions for the realization of the rights and wellbeing of children in Africa.

Present during the signing ceremony were Mrs. Margaret Schuler, World Vision East Africa Regional Leader and His Excellency, Dr. Mustapha Sidiki Kaloko, Commissioner for Social Affairs Commission of the African Union.

World Vision International and the African Union Commission have been partnering to deliver on child wellbeing and child rights over the last couple of years after being granted observer status by the Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child. This Memorandum of Understanding formalises the framework and principles of the partnership on substantive collaboration. It will also further strengthen these engagements into different departments of the commission dealing with children issues indirectly, such as Peace and Security Council/Department, Economic Affairs, and gender directorate.

The parties seek to work together towards the realisation of child wellbeing as enshrined in the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, Agenda 2063, Global Sustainable Development Goals as well as other regional and international instruments that outline the rights of every child. This will also mutually strengthen our work with child focus agencies working with the Africa Union and other liaison offices.

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