

# Improve Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) of vulnerable populations



World Vision aims to improve children's health by enabling communities to have access to clean and safe water and practice good sanitation and hygiene. WASH interventions are implemented across the three programme areas in Sudan namely; South Darfur, Blue Nile and Khartoum.

## WHY WASH

Sudan is located within the arid and semi-arid part of Sub-Saharan Africa, which is characterised by a hot and dry weather that makes water scarcity a major and constant challenge.

Poor water supply and sanitation situation in Sudan is attributed to several underlying factors notable among them: inadequate funding, huge population displacement and disruption due to continuous emergencies.

In south Darfur in particular, the presence of large IDP populations due to displacements is a key concern that poses significant challenges in provision of water, sanitation and hygiene services in Sudan.



Children in South Darfur experience the joy of having clean water in their community.

World Vision works to improve the well-being of children in Sudan by supporting to meet their immediate needs.

## WHAT WE DO

World Vision aims to improve children's health by facilitating communities to have access to clean and safe water and practice good sanitation and hygiene. We work alongside the government, national partner NGOs, community networks and other partners to:

### Establishing community water supply systems;

- We support communities to access clean and safe drinking water through drilling of boreholes, repair and rehabilitation of hand pumps and maintenance of water schemes.
- We support communities to rehabilitate rainwater harvesting systems such as water dams commonly referred to as *Hafirs* for domestic use, irrigation of small kitchen gardens and for livestock.



## Improve access to sanitation services for vulnerable children and communities;

- We support with construction of latrines both at household level and in institutions to improve access to sanitation.
- We spread awareness of WASH activities in institutions such as schools and health facilities.
- Promote sustainable sanitation initiatives such as Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS)-a model that WorldVision uses to mobilise communities to take their own action to completely eliminate Open Defecation (OD).

## Improve hygienic practices among vulnerable communities;

- We educate communities on hygiene and sanitation through behavior change. We target children with hygiene promotion messages using school hygiene clubs; and communities through one-to-one household visits, focus group discussions, community dramatisation and mass campaigns.

## Emergency provision of safe water;

- During emergencies, we support communities adversely affected by disasters to access safe drinking water through the repair and maintenance of existing water supply systems and the construction of sanitation facilities.

## OUR STRATEGY

Through our 2016-2020 strategy, we aim to improve the water, sanitation and the hygiene status of vulnerable communities.



### KEY FACTS

50%

Use of improved drinking water sources: **50%** (WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme 2012).

35%

Population with access to improved sanitation nationally: **35%** (National WASH Strategy (2012-2016).

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Every **\$1** spent on water and sanitation generates **\$8** as a result of saved time, increased productivity and reduced health care costs.



## KEY PARTNERS

Government of Sudan through the Ministry of Water; UN agencies i.e. UNICEF, DFATD, OFDA, Government of Germany (GOG), local NGO partners and the communities.

Children in South Darfur at a water facility constructed through the support of WorldVision.

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