

## AFGHANISTAN

Ravaged by decades of bitter war and devastated by natural disasters, Afghanistan is, without a doubt, a difficult place to live. And, the odds are even more against you if you are a woman or a child.

World Vision began working in Afghanistan in 2001, providing emergency relief to those who had been directly affected by a devastating drought as well as supporting those whose livelihoods had been destroyed during the conflict. More than a decade later, World Vision's programmes have transitioned from immediate assistance to long-term development, focusing on: health, education, livelihoods and protection of the most vulnerable children.

Afghanistan has one of the highest infant and maternal mortality rates in the world. World Vision works with families, communities and health workers to promote basic health for well-being and survival; with a special focus on children under 5 and women of childbearing age. Since 2004, World Vision has trained more than 350 midwives to care for pregnant women and their babies, before, during and after birth. Better WASH facilities within Health Care Facilities has been a key element of this work.

# WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

The WASH programme in Afghanistan aims to increase access to clean water, while promoting household sanitation and raising awareness within communities on the importance of good hygiene and health practices.

World Vision Afghanistan health projects have repaired 53 damaged wells and drilled two new ones. Children, who are often absent from class to collect water, are now able to attend school. 11,000 people have now access to clean and drinkable water. Moreover, the programme has helped families to construct 1,500 latrines in the 44 targeted villages.



People we  
work with  
**16,008**

Technical  
staff

**7**

FY17 budget

**US\$283,338**

# INNOVATIVE WASH SCHEMES

## AUSTRALIA AFGHANISTAN COMMUNITY RESILIENCE SCHEME

in Badghis

The project focuses on the following aspects:

- Irrigation training provided for 85 male groups and 19 female groups in 11 clusters
- Water micro-catchments: 28 pistachio gardens irrigated with solar-powered system in Abkamary district
- Kariz construction: 10 in Qadis and 8 in Langar. Average discharge capacity of 320mr/hr
- Solar-powered boreholes: 9 in Qala-I-Naw, Abkamary and Muqur districts. Average discharge capacity of 12m3/hr



## INTEGRATED WASH RESPONSE

in Badghis

The project responded to the need for safe drinking water, sanitation and improved hygiene practices in 25 communities most affected by drought conditions in Badghis province in 2016.

- 10,715 households were provided with clean safe drinking water through the construction of 58 new boreholes, 3 water supply networks, 120 rainwater/snow melt reservoirs, 5 reservoirs/spring protection, and the rehabilitation of one water network and 94 damaged wells.
- 52 Water Management Groups were trained on how to maintain the systems.
- 280 water filters and 3100 bottles of chlorine-based water treatment were distributed to schools and households.
- 220 households have gained access to improved sanitation facilities through the construction of VIP latrines.
- 18 communities were certified as Open Defecation Free, following the implementation of Community Led Total Sanitation.
- Hygiene behaviour change training was also delivered to 6,894 community members and 7422 school children.

PROJECT	LOCATION	DONOR	DURATION	BENEFICIARIES	BUDGET (US\$)
Australia Afghanistan Community Resilience Scheme	Badghis Province	DFAT and WV Australia	June 2014 – May 2018	Direct and indirect: 12,550	\$4,783,267
Maternal and Under-5 Nutrition and Child Health Project (MUNCH)	Ghor, Badghis and Herat Provinces	DFATD and WV Canada	March 2013 – Dec 2016	Direct: 1,836,406	\$8.9 million
Badghis Integrated WASH Project	Badghis Province	WVUS PNS	Dec 2016 - Sept 2016	Direct: 16,008	\$282,988
Learning for Life Project	Badghis, Herat	WVUS PNS	Oct 2016 – Dec 2018	Direct: 720 young women and men (80% women and 20% men)	\$300,000