Similar to what we have witnessed in previous years, the scale of humanitarian need in FY16 continued to grow to unprecedented levels. World Vision delivered wide-ranging programmes to 15.4 million people across 130 humanitarian responses in 63 different countries. In total, USD 401 million of humanitarian aid was provided across the globe.

In the face of this mounting need, World Vision reaffirmed its core commitments to children in disasters at the World Humanitarian Summit (WHS), May 2016. These commitments are consistent with our global mission and vision for every child to experience life in all its fullness and our dedication to ensuring aid is delivered in the most effective, innovative and appropriate manner.

Among these core commitments is the aim to reach 20 per cent of vulnerable children when responding to conflict and natural disasters.

As part of our USD 3 billion commitment to the Global Strategy for Women’s, Children’s and Adolescents’ Health, World Vision will spend USD 500 million on health, nutrition and water; sanitation and hygiene (WASH) in relief and fragile settings by the year 2020.

Additionally, World Vision will continue to allocate up to 20 per cent of development funding to respond to emergencies and protect development gains. We are also committed to seeking to deliver 50 per cent of our humanitarian aid through a multi-sectoral and multi-purpose cash-first approach by 2020, where context appropriate.

Our continued work on the ground and commitment to protecting vulnerable children (as demonstrated by World Vision’s significant and bold commitments at the WHS), will help ensure World Vision is seen to be innovative, at the forefront of key humanitarian issues and vibrant and adaptable by our peers and partners.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the invaluable support of our partners, donors and staff. This support helps ensure that through our disaster management activities, we are able to continue assist children and their communities in some of the world’s most fragile contexts.

Dan Kelly
Partnership Leader,
Humanitarian and Emergency Affairs
Key successes from FY16

World Vision’s comprehensive engagement in the World Humanitarian Summit consultation process and main event saw several landmark commitments to improve the humanitarian system for children by World Vision and peer agencies.

• FY16 has been the second year of work of the Dutch Relief Alliance (DRA), an alliance of 14 Dutch and ECHO FPA-approved NGOs installed by the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The DRA has supported 15 joint responses with World Vision across eight countries: Vanuatu, Nepal, South Sudan, Syria, Iraq, Ethiopia, Zimbabwe and CAR.¹

• The 7th Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction was held in New Delhi in November 2016 and attended by a World Vision regional delegation of 12 members. A Children and Youth Action Statement was presented following consultation with 1,722 children and youth in Indonesia, Bangladesh, China, Nepal, Fiji and Philippines that called on governments and stakeholders to recognise children and youth’s roles in disaster risk reduction.

• World Vision India hosted a Safe Schools exhibition at the Asian Ministerial Conference with opportunities for World Vision National Offices and other Indian-based organisations to display their impact and learning of implementing Safe Schools programmes.

• World Vision and World Food Programme co-hosted a side event on progressing the scale up of cash transfer programmes across humanitarian programmes at ECO-SOC HAS, New York.

• More than 40 country responses received remote support, including technical advice, proposal support, capacity building and mentoring. It also participated in global clusters on health, nutrition, education, WASH, shelter and more.

• World Vision participated in the UN Strategic Transformative Agenda Implementation Team mission to Iraq and presented papers at the American Evaluation Association, including a paper on Em-DAP – a validated tool to measure child well-being in emergencies.

¹ DRA manages the selection and allocation of funding to disaster responses and uses a unique peer-to-peer review system to identify the best-positioned NGOs who are then eligible to a larger allocation of the available budget. This model has attracted attention from other government donors, including the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark and been introduced to ECHO as a potential channel for consortium funding.

FY16 operational footprint

- $401m in humanitarian aid
- 15.4 million people assisted
- 130 responses in 63 countries

Note: The World Vision International Financial Year is from 1 October to 30 September.
Financial summary

FY16 Humanitarian relief ministry spending
(USD millions) – Total USD 401 million

- Cash 235m
- Food 134m
- Gifts in kind 32m

FY16 Share of humanitarian funding sources
Share Humanitarian Spending USD 401 million

- Multi-lateral grants 43%
- Bi-lateral grants 39%
- Private fundraising 18%

FY16 Share of humanitarian spending by region
Total – USD 401 million

- East Africa 47%
- Latin America & Caribbean 1%
- Middle East and Eastern Europe 18%
- East Asia 2%
- South Asia 9%
- Southern Africa 17%
- West Africa 6%
- East Africa 47%
Financial summary continued

HEA responses during the past decade

Humanitarian relief spending for the past decade (USD millions)

FY17 priorities/focus areas

World Vision continues to focus on adopting and evolving itself in the face of the many and fast-changing humanitarian challenges and contexts. By proactively preparing and positioning itself to be agile and adaptive, World Vision will continue to fulfil its mission to the world’s most vulnerable children.

- Expand our global operational footprint in conflict and fragile contexts
- Target our programming, policy and resources agenda to end violence against children
- Continue to increase our local, regional and global technical capacities in humanitarian protection, child protection in emergencies, educations in emergencies, water, sanitation and hygiene, health, nutrition and livelihoods so that the humanitarian needs of children are met
- Scale up our humanitarian cash programming through leveraging private partnerships and the latest technologies
- Inform and lead the global humanitarian dialogue around the role and relevance of faith actors in the humanitarian action.
World Vision’s World Humanitarian Summit commitments

At the World Humanitarian Summit in May 2016, World Vision made 21 commitments which are now being implemented and monitored. Among these commitments is the aim to reach 20 per cent of all affected children when World Vision responds to conflict and natural disasters. This will be achieved in a number of ways, including prioritising child protection and education in emergencies and investing in strengthening protection systems.

In continuing to work towards avoiding preventable deaths and enabling every woman, child and adolescent the opportunity to survive and thrive, World Vision has committed to spend USD 500 million on health, nutrition, HIV and AIDS and WASH in humanitarian settings by 2020. This funding is part of the USD 3 billion committed by World Vision to the Global Strategy for Women’s, Children’s and Adolescents’ Health.

Furthermore, to help protect development gains and bridge the relief-development divide, World Vision will commit to allocating up to 20 per cent of its development funding as a crisis modifier (where national affiliates decide this is needed) to prepare and respond to humanitarian needs when disasters strike.2

World Vision will also seek to deliver 50 per cent of its humanitarian aid through a multi-sectoral and multi-purpose cash first approach by 2020, where context appropriate, such as in urban settings. This will leverage digital payment and identification systems and shared value partnerships with others, such as with Mastercard Corp, to track the delivery of assistance from donor to beneficiary.

Other commitments include the areas of child protection and education, peacebuilding, accountability and the scaling up of humanitarian and private sector engagement.

To see the list of World Vision’s full World Humanitarian Commitments visit http://wvi.org/disaster-management/our-commitments

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2. Crisis modifiers allow a quick injection of emergency funds to respond to early warning and protect existing development gains in our programs. These funds allow us to respond rapidly to address humanitarian needs and reduce livelihood losses.

More information:

For more information regarding the impact of World Vision’s humanitarian operations, please view the following documents and reports:

- Giving children a voice following major events and disasters July 2016

- Cash-based programming to address hunger in conflict affected South Sudan May 2016

- Let Us Learn: A case study of delivering adaptive education and protection in emergency programmes in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq April 2016

- Social cohesion between Syrian refugees and urban host communities in Lebanon and Jordan

- Inter-agency research into Child Friendly Spaces – ongoing

Further information

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