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For children
For change, For life
WHO WE ARE

World Vision Mongolia International is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organization dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. We work with the world’s most vulnerable people, serving all regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

OUR VISION

Our vision for every child, life in all its fullness; Our prayer for every heart, the will to make it so.

WHAT WE DO

We work with local communities to ensure fullness of life for all children. Our work has three key pillars: development, advocacy and disaster relief.

HOW AND WHERE WE WORK

We started working in Mongolia in 1993. Today World Vision is the largest NGO in Mongolia, present in 16 of 21 provinces. We work toward positive transformation and poverty reduction through the implementation of Area Development Programmes (ADPs). ADPs are long-term projects and focus on the unique needs of communities within certain geographical areas (both rural and urban). The main aim of each ADP is to support local communities until they are able to develop independently. In alignment with the World Vision International Partnership, we focus on four child wellbeing aspirations: children enjoy good health, are educated for life, are cared for, protected and participating and experience the love of God and their neighbor. During 2016 there were 34 ADPs across Mongolia.

Our Strategic Goal:
Contribute to sustained well-being of 864,000 children within families and communities, especially the most vulnerable by 2018.

HEALTH
• Decrease child and mother morbidity rates, preventable infections and injuries
• Improve hygiene practices and increase access to improved water and sanitation

LIFE SKILLS AND EDUCATION
• Expand and improve comprehensive early childhood care and education, especially for the most vulnerable
• Ensure better quality education that enhances the life skills of children and youth
• Empower children and youth to raise their voices and be change agents in their communities

ECONOMIC RESILIENCE
• Diversify income generation opportunities for poor households
• Ensure food security for the most vulnerable families
• Increase local capacity for emergency preparedness and response

CHILD PROTECTION
• Prevent children from becoming victims of violence and exploitation
• Build and strengthen child protection system at all levels to respond to violence and exploitation of children
Dear friends, partners and colleagues,

My family and I have been in Mongolia for only 8 months and I am finding it to be a fascinating country with a rich culture and hospitable people.

The past year has been an interesting journey as we transform the lives of vulnerable children and families in Mongolia. Due to the change in context both internationally and locally World Vision Mongolia is adjusting the direction and the manner in which we work. We are working to be more effective and efficient with our funds, to streamline our programs in order to target those most vulnerable, and to find ways to be a catalyst for Mongolians to support Mongolians.

I am pleased to share some of the highlights with you:

By partnering with the private sector and the local government, 8000 children gained access to healthy sanitation facilities in 13 rural schools. Over 4000 pre-school age children received alternative education or ger kindergarten education. By collaborating with other organizations to strengthen community based child protection services, over 3000 Multidisciplinary Child Protection Team members were trained. More than 10000 people have started to be financially sustainable through the savings groups. Over 27,000 people from 12 provinces who were affected by the Dzud, received food packages, animal health kits, as well as, hay and fodder for livestock survival.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the government, our partners, donors, and committed staff who have impacted many children and families in need. With your continued valuable cooperation we can fulfill our mission to bring life in all its fullness to the children of Mongolia.

PHILIP EWERT
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HIGHLIGHTS

OVERVIEW

EDUCATION

Totally 4242 pre-school age children supported through pre-school education and alternative training such as ger kindergarten and summer school. This includes Child Participation Leading Committee (CPLC) and school based child development clubs.

CHILD PROTECTION

• 10,346 of the most vulnerable children were supported by the early prevention activities
• 43,032 children were trained on Child Rights and Protection
• 39,254 of parents and volunteers who have trained on Child protection

HEALTH

• 15,590 children under two years of age received essential 10 interventions from their parents.
• 1,714 underweight, malnourished children were rehabilitated through Positive Defiance Hearth approach.
• 18 communities were officially declared as ‘Open Defecation Free Communities’

ECONOMIC RESILIENCE

11 ADPs who have already done PACED are facilitating and strengthening producer groups as well as other business groups. In addition, Bayankhongor-1 ADP piloted the Local Value Chain Development Project Model (LVCD PM) in their targeted area. They also facilitated dairy producer groups where 4896 products were sold.

OVERVIEW OF PROJECTS

34 Area Development Programmes

Central cluster
• Arkhangai
• Outer Arkhangai
• Bayankhongor 1
• Bayankhongor 2
• Uvurkhangai
• Arvaikheer

North cluster
• Selenge
• Zuunkharaa
• Darkhan
• Khuvsgul
• Tuv
• Erdenet

West cluster
• Zavkhan
• Zavkhankhangai
• Khovd
• Bayn-Ulgii
• Govi-Altai

East cluster
• Baganuur
• Bor – Undur
• Bor – Undur -2
• Dundgovi
• Khentii

Urban cluster
• Songino-Khairkhan
• Bayankhsoshuu
• Tolgoit
• Chingeltei
• Khailaast
• Khan – Uul

Non cluster
• Amgalan
• Dari-Ekh
• Bulgan - 1
• Bulgankhangai
• Nalaikh 1
• Nalaikh 2

Forest Protection and Enhanced Rural Livelihood Project

Child Help Line Government / Mobicom

Risk Reduction and Resilience in Schools Project

Economically Resilient Artizanal Small Miners through Income Diversification

School WASH Special Project

Mother and Child Health and Nutrition in Gobi-Altai
Total spending was $20.4M

All amounts reported are in US Dollars and during the Fiscal Year period from October 2015 to September 2016.

CASH SPENDING BY SECTOR

- Natural Environment & Climate Issues: $83,282/$0.41%
- Children With Special Needs: $55,964/$0.27%
- Faith & Development: $201,534/$0.99%
- Disaster Mitigation: $268,297/$1.31%
- Peacebuilding: $227/$0.01%
- Food Assistance: $4,859/$0.02%
- Emergency Response: $775,543/$3.79%
- Agriculture and Food Security: $174,288/$0.85%
- Water and Sanitation: $427,833/$2.09%
- HIV/AIDS: $23,525/$0.12%
- Nutrition: $84,316/$0.41%
- Health: $2,097,236/$10.26%
- Organizational Capacity Building for Partners: $377,634/$1.85%
- Community Engagement for Child Well-being: $810,326/$3.96%
- Child Protection: $751,009/$3.79%
- Education and Life Skills: $3,205,772/$15.68%
- Sponsorship Project Management: $5,142,687/$25.15%
- Economic Development: $5,761,804/$28.18%

CASH SPENDING BY SUPPORT OFFICE AND LOCAL FUNDING

Child Friendly Local Governance Project

This project encourages the voice and initiatives of 456 children and teenagers from 18 clubs to be known to the decision makers so that their problems can be solved.

Trainings on listening to the voices of children and their cooperation was organized for 237 decision makers so that they can implement child protection and participation work with children. The club members identified 33 issues where their rights were violated in the community and schools. This was introduced to the decision makers who solved 80 percent of them.

Brighter Future for Children with Special Needs Project

This project provided children with special needs in Ulaanbaatar an opportunity to study in school. Trainings were organized for 110 educators and 88 health and social workers. Totally 169 parents were trained on stress management and the importance of child participation in activities. Advised 74 children to participate in activities and for them to be conscientious to others.
• Number of beneficiaries: 49,944
• Number of children who benefitted: 53,378
• 6,725 of most vulnerable households were supported by Home Visiting
• 10,346 of the most vulnerable children were supported by the early prevention activities

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• 39,254 of parents and volunteers who have trained on Child protection
• 3,965 members from the Multidisciplinary Child Protection Team were trained
• 296 Child Protection cases were dealt with by the Multidisciplinary Child Protection Team

The main goal is to improve the health status of children and communities. The objectives are to promote health system strengthening to combat preventable diseases and injuries, promote clean, safe water and sanitation, hygiene practices, and advocacy for improved maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health and nutrition in the target communities. The target population are mothers and children. Interventions are implemented based on the international best practices and evidences such as ADAPT (Analysis, Design and Planning Tool for Health and Nutrition), PD HEARTH (Positive Deviance Hearth), and CtC (Child to Child), SLTS (School Led Total Sanitation), CLTS (Community Led Total Sanitation) and WSP (Water Safety Plan) approaches.

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There are a total of 684 savings groups with 10693 members for 31 ADPs and one special project. During 2016 there was a dramatic increase of 254 savings groups and 5453 members. Furthermore, by the end of 2016, total value of Social Fund has reached 22,726 USD and total value of Loan Fund reached 724,374 USD.

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Eight ADPs and one special project are implementing activities for 2085 households. Through the Graduation Approach the livelihoods of 810 households was improved and 1593 households improved their food security through World Vision interventions and the Government Safety Net Program.

Children, adolescents and youth are empowered to raise their voices and be the change agents in their communities through enhanced life skills application and improve early childhood care and education.

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Year 2016 was a significant year for World Vision Mongolia to strengthening local and national level advocacy in collaboration with various partners. In cooperation with Child Rights Group members, WV Mongolia advocated to the government of Mongolia to adopt Law on Child Protection and the Law on Rights of the Children through raising the voice of community members and children in policy development process and raising public awareness on the law adoption.

National NGOs and children submitted the UNCRC supplementary reports to UN Committee on the Rights of the Child to provide additional information concerning the rights of children in Mongolia with support of World Vision Mongolia and Save the Children in February, 2016. This was developed jointly by the national NGO networks including “Education for All!” National Civil Society Coalition; the Association of Parents of Disabled Children; the National Network of Child Participation Organizations; National Network to Eliminate the Worst Forms of Child Labour and End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes (ECPAT) Mongolia Network.

Citizen Voice and Action (CVA) is World Vision’s primary approach to community level advocacy to improve the dialogue between communities and government in order to improve social services that impact the daily lives of children and their families. In 2016, 14 ADPs implemented CVA approach and as a result Local Governor Offices funded 46,300USD for 17 staffs of Family Clinic, an ambulance car, medical equipments, school sanitation and hygiene project.

Eleven children from the Blue Sky Choir visited Malaysia for a fundraising event. The choir performed 20 times in 11 days in Kuala Lumpur and Penang Island. The children were interviewed by local newspaper journalists and one song was aired on one of the national TV channels. Two children from the Blue Sky Choir attended a fundraising event in Singapore which was successful.

Mrs. Marilee Pierce Dunker who is the daughter of Bob Pierce, the founder of World Vision, joined with the children in each event sharing World Vision’s history and contribution towards children and families.

Family development and progress program was held twice in the Dornod province over the last two years which was organized by Child Development and Protection Project in cooperation with the Child and Family Development Center of the Dornod Province.

Goal of this program is to improve the participation of the families, by encouraging them to be active by developing and improving the quality of family life, building capacities of the partnership network in Dornod Province and selected the most vulnerable 150 families in need which were not benefiting from social welfare services. Through this project there were 14 people from target families who received full time employment by local companies and organizations. Furthermore 20 children enrolled into governmental and nongovernmental kindergartens.
RISK REDUCTION AND RESILIENCE IN SCHOOLS PROJECT

Funded by USAID-OFDA and World Vision USA.

A total of 11400 children and personnel from 12 schools in Hovsgul and Orkhon Provinces and in Ulaanbaatar, learnt how to effectively assess risks, and to develop appropriate preparation and response plans. 20 Junior Rescuer Clubs have been established with 400 members.

DZUD EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE IN 2016

WV Mongolia raised 1 billion three hundred million tugrugs (586,682 USD) of fund from the UN Central Emergency Response Fund and Start Fund Network for dzud emergency response. A total of 7425 dzud affected herder households (27576 individuals) were assisted and received comprehensive life-saving food package and livestock health care kits for their survival and protection of primary livelihood assets.

WVI Mongolia developed the handbooks, guidelines, training modules for mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction into education in collaboration with the government and other partners:

FOREST PROTECTION AND ENHANCED RURAL LIVELIHOODS PROJECT

Funded by World Vision Australia (ANCP) Australian NGO Cooperation Program and AusAID and DFAT

Sustainable forest management and increasing the numbers of beekeepers has improved the livelihoods of 543 vulnerable households in 9 ADPs with 30 Forest User Groups covering 94,132 hectares of forest and 29 beekeeper groups in 7 provinces.

- 42,140 seedlings of 13 species were directly distributed to Forest User Groups
- 169 beekeepers became qualified professional beekeepers.
- 1083 beehives harvested 1.3 tons of pure honey

TUBERCULOSIS (TB) PROJECT

Funded by Economic Cooperation and Development Ministry of Germany

In order to improve the health of people prone to TB infections in 2 districts of Ulaanbaatar, income generating opportunities with a regular supply of food was provided so that they can care for their family. TB patients from households at risk have a secure income and a secure food base that makes them able to care for their family. Seventeen savings groups from 250 households who had TB were established and are now involved with income generating activities through existing national support structures and are connected with local markets.
**School WASH Project with Mobicom Corporation**

The health and quality of life for children in rural schools by improving access to safe water, sanitation and good hygiene practices was improved. Mobicom and World Vision built 13 standard bathrooms in 13 soums schools from 8 provinces. More than 8000 children benefitted.

**Spread the Warmth Campaign**

The first ever fundraising campaign of World Vision Mongolia called “Spread The Warmth” Campaign was initiated by Air market employees and Sustainable Development Initiative NGO. The campaign goal was to provide winter packages which includes a hat, scarf, mitten and socks to children in need in ger district and from the provinces of Uvurkhangai, Khovd and Gobi Altai. With generous support of ordinary Mongolians, 544 children stayed warm and will look adorable for years to come.

**Kitchen For Children With Disabilities**

“Discover Mongolia” LLC donated approximately 800$ worth of kitchen appliances such as a fridge, mixer and microwave for the disabled children’s care centre affiliated under the Family and Child Development Centre in the Khentii ADP. Representatives from “Discover Mongolia” LLC were impressed by Khentii ADP activities and expressed their interest to continue supporting World Vision Mongolia through their marketing strategies focusing on children with disabilities in 2 ADPs.