In partnership with other organizations World Vision works to improve the lives of children, their families, and communities across Zimbabwe through long term development programming and short-term humanitarian assistance. Our programming focuses on health and nutrition, livelihoods, education and life skills.

Education & Life Skills reaching 400,000 children

World Vision promotes equal access and quality education for all. We work to help create positive learning environments for both students and teachers by focusing on improved learning and retention for boys and girls as well as equipping schools with supplies of reading materials and sporting equipment also, providing E-Learning materials such as tablets and solar based devices. One key program is the Improving Gender Attitudes, Transition and Education outcomes program which is increasing enrolment and participation of girls in the classroom, by improving livelihoods at the household level. The project is targeting over 75,000 girls and boys, and 320 schools.

Improved Nutrition & Food Security reaching 100,000 households

World Vision works with families and communities to promote nutrition and farming practices that improve the well-being of children. We focus on various interventions using the Positive Deviance (PD) Hearth model, and other programs such as the Beef Enterprise Strengthening and Transformation (BEST), the Enhancing Nutrition, Stepping up Resilience and Enterprise (ENSURE) and the Ensuring Nutrition, Transforming and Empowering Rural Farmers and Promoting Resilience in Zimbabwe (ENTERPRIZE). The BEST program promotes enhanced trade, employment creation, food security and inclusive green economic growth for 24,900 small to medium farmers and 100 commercial farmers. The ENTERPRIZE program seeks to improve nutrition for women and children, increase household income, and build the capacity of communities to better prepare for and mitigate shocks.

The ENSURE program is designed to impact 215,000 vulnerable and food-insecure people in Manicaland and Masvingo Provinces. To improve food security, World Vision also provides farmers with training and inputs to help increase crop yields. The ENTERPRIZE program aims at improving food and nutrition security of 60,000 farmers in Mt Darwin and Guruve districts.

Healthy Communities reaching 400,000 people

World Vision works with communities to enhance access to and use of resources and services to stay healthy. Our interventions include increasing access to safe and clean water; improving sanitation facilities, and promoting good hygiene practices. World Vision has partnered with several organisations in implementing rural and urban WASH programs. To date 400 villages have been certified Open Defecation Free (ODF) across the country. In order to reduce the prevalence of communicable and preventable diseases. World Vision is supporting communities to increase their demand for and use of health services.
Economic Development & Livelihoods reaching 100,000

Families are better able to stay healthy and care for themselves when they are economically stable. We work with communities so they can pool their resources through Village Savings & Loan Groups and Producer Groups, which increase their ability to engage in economic activities. We help provide communities with technical and life skills training to build their capacity to be economically resilient. Currently there are 5,352 village savings groups with a gross output of US$3.3 million.

Protection of children

World Vision partners with the government, UN organizations, churches and families to help keep children safe. Through the Citizen Voice and Action (CVA) program we are mobilizing and equipping citizens to monitor government services, empowering them to advocate for their needs among policy makers. Our interventions include establishing child protection committees and working with local leaders and international partners to ensure child-friendly services. Through the Power Within model, girls are mentored and empowered with skills to ensure they are confident and have meaningful participation in society.

Faith and Development

Under the Faith and Development World Vision partners with church denominations which include the Evangelical Fellowship of Zimbabwe, the Zimbabwe Council of Churches, the Catholic Bishop’s Conference and the Union of Apostolic Churches in Zimbabwe. The Faith and Development in partnership with other organization focuses on child protection issues and life skills projects.

Emergency Response

WVZ responds to slow and rapid onset emergencies as part of its overall mandate. This includes drought response, seasonal food insecurity and outbreaks such as flash floods, cholera and typhoid. Where possible cash assistance is provided to supplement in-kind and other assistance including building productive assets. WVZ helps affected communities to ‘build back better’ through Disaster Risk Reduction efforts that currently focus on building the resilience of 100,000 households in Zimbabwe. Activities include facilitating communities to come up with Community Disaster Preparedness Plans as well as Early Warning and Early Action systems. In partnership with private companies such as Old Mutual WVZ is also piloting Weather Indexed Insurance as a risk transfer measure to cushion small-holder farmers from persistent drought and help them become more resilient.

Partnerships and collaboration

WVZ partners with a number of government agencies, NGOs and private sector:

Support Offices
- WV Australia
- WV Canada
- WV Germany
- WV Hong Kong
- WV Netherlands
- WV Spain
- WV Switzerland
- WV UK
- WV US

Governments and Multi-lateral Institutions
- UK Department for International Development (DFID)
- United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
- European Union
- FAO
- WFP
- UNICEF
- UNFPA & others.

Private Sector, Foundations & other partners
- World Bicycle Relief (WBR)
- Welthungerhilfe
- Learning for Humanity
- Learning for All
- Higher Life Foundation
- Pfizer Foundation
- Profuturo
- Sustainable Agricultural Technology (SAT)
- Zimbabwe Agricultural Development Trust (ZADT)
- Standard Chartered
- Bank Zimbabwe
- First Capital Bank Zimbabwe

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