



Water & Sanitation and Hygiene Solomon Islands

Who We Are

World Vision is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice.

Inspired by our Christian values, World Vision is dedicated to working with the world's most vulnerable people. World Vision serves all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

World Vision has more than 30 years of experience in community development in Solomon Islands. World Vision works with children, families, government, communities and other partners to improve lives and combat poverty.

Where We Work

HONIARA	5 Communities
SOUTH MALAITA	8 Schools
MAKIRA	10 Schools, 11 Communities



60% of Solomon Islands' population have access to clean water

22% of Solomon Islands' population have access to sanitation

Access rates are believed to be lower due to unclean water sources, and inoperable water and sanitation systems.



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Clean Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Solomon Islands

The Ministry of Health's Rural Water Sanitation and Hygiene program (RWASH) has been mandated to deliver water and sanitation projects in Solomon Islands. RWASH has limited staff and resources to complete the water projects required. Due to RWASH's challenges in successfully delivering sanitation and hygiene promotion programs, it is partnering with non-government organisations such as World Vision to address the needs nationally.

Our Water & Sanitation and Hygiene Projects

World Vision believes that communities whom have access to clean water and sanitation, and practise good hygiene will be healthier and have more time to participate in educational and economic opportunities. With only 22 percent of people in rural areas having access to improved sanitation, a clear need for Water & Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) assistance exists. Our WASH projects have transitioned from a focus on infrastructure delivery (WatSan) to a focus on participatory outcomes, with a strong emphasis on hygiene promotion. Our projects are used as a basis to guide advocacy activities to support the Government of Solomon Islands in the co-ordination and delivery of best practice and behaviour change across the WASH sector.

World Vision used two models: Community Total Led Sanitation (CLTS) and Participatory Hygiene, Sanitation and Information (PHAST) to implement its projects.



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Honiara Urban WASH Project

This four-year project aims to improve the health and safety of five communities in Honiara through improved WASH practices by 2016. This project was also used to launch the Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS) methodology nationally. The goal of CLTS is to end the unsafe practice of open defecation and increase people's understanding of how poor sanitation can significantly affect their health, education, and financial wellbeing. Australian Aid and World Vision Australia fund the project.

National School WASH Project

This project aims to protect school children and teachers from water and sanitation related infections and diseases in 16 schools in Makira and South Malaita. The project began in October 2012 and ends in September 2016. Australian Aid funds the project.

Makira UNICEF Water & Sanitation and Hygiene Project

This four-year UNICEF-funded project was implemented in the Weather Coast of Makira province including Santa Ana Island. It covers 11 communities and 2 schools and aims to improve WASH in schools and communities. The project involves construction of water supply systems, implementation of the CLTS methodology, and hygiene promotion and awareness. The project will end in June 2016.

Our Key Partners and Stakeholders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- European Union
- International Cooperation and Development Fund-Taiwan
- Ministry of Education and Human Resource Development
- Ministry of Health and Medical Services
- New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
- United Nations Human Settlement Programme

- Honiara City Council
- Live and Learn Solomon Islands
- Provincial Governments of Makira, Malaita, Temotu, Central and Guadalcanal
- Rural Water Supply and Sanitation
- Solomon Islands Water Authority

- Community Health Committee
- South Malaita Constituency Youth Volunteers Network
- Other Non-Government Organisations

Funding

World Vision receives funding from private donors, businesses, foundations and government grants. Corporations or government agencies also donate gifts-in-kind such as food, commodities, clothing and school supplies to resource education and other projects.

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