

# Every Child Deserves Clean Water

We believe we can solve the global water crisis within our lifetimes, and we're focused on providing clean water and sanitation to every man, woman, and child in every community we work in, including the most vulnerable populations in the hardest-to-reach places. World Vision is the leading NGO provider of clean drinking water.

### OUR COMMITMENT

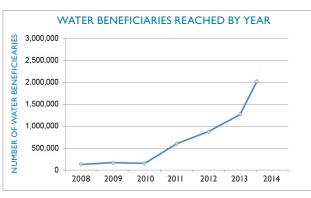
World Vision and our partners commit to expanding our reach from providing clean water to one new person every 30 seconds to reach one new person every 10 seconds with clean water and sanitation by 2020 and then continue at that pace so we reach everyone everywhere we work by 2030.

#### OUR APPROACH

World Vision scales access to water through right-sized equipment and use of appropriate water sources, manual drilling to reduce cost, and mechanized wells with solar pumps.

Our programs combine access to clean water with critical sanitation and hygiene interventions for the greatest impact. Installation of latrines, hand-washing stations, and training efforts are initiated and led by the community. We have more than 500 water, sanitation, and hygiene professionals who live and work in communities to co-create solutions that last.

World Vision also works to ensure access for those who need it the most. We focus on rural, ultra poor with the greatest disease burden and provide disability-adapted sanitation facilities and water points, as well as tools that aid in water access.





#### IMPACT IN 2014

2 MILLION+

people reached with clean water

2,416

communities reached with full coverage

1,929 communities certified "Open Defecation Free"

EXPANDING OUR REACH to bring CLEAN WATER to ONE new person every 10 SECONDS by 2020



"World Vision is one of the great treasures of NGOs."

former U.S. President BILL CLINTON

#### SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS

Water continues to flow from World Vision water points because of our integrated community engagement model. One of the premier academic groups in water research, the University of North Carolina Water Institute, conducted an independent study examining 1,470 water sources in 520 communities located in the Greater Afram Plains region of Ghana, where World Vision has been providing wells since 1985. Nearly 80 percent of World Vision wells studied continued to function at high levels even after 20 years, thanks largely to our community engagement model.

Consistent with this community approach to sustainability, research showed how an identifiable water committee and evidence of charging a fee for use of the water were the main reasons associated with the continued functionality of the water points. These best practices, including training local people as mechanics to repair pumps when they break down, are part of the reason why World Vision wells set the standard for sustainability.

The study found the odds of non-World Vision water sources being functional decreased by 2 percent each year, whereas the functionality of water sources installed by World Vision did not significantly decrease with age.

# A FULL SOLUTION TO THE PUZZLE OF POVERTY

We work in thousands of communities to help people address not only their water challenges, but a variety of needs including health, education, and economic opportunity, to provide a full solution capable of breaking the cycle of poverty.

## **HIGH-IMPACT PARTNERSHIPS**

World Vision is able to reach more people because of our local and global partnerships within the public and private sector.





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#### PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHT



Sesame Street, Elmo, and their new Muppet Raya have partnered with World Vision to teach school children about healthy hygiene and sanitation behaviors that can dramatically improve the health of children and their families. This builds on World Vision's work reaching four new schools every day with clean water, sanitation, and hygiene.

World Vision Water

For more information, contact World Vision's Vice President for Water Dr. Greg Allgood at gallgood@worldvision.org, or visit worldvision.org/water.

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with children, families, and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice. We work in nearly 100 countries, serving all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or gender.