

Finish the Job -Northern Zambia

Semiannual Report (October 2022- March 2023)

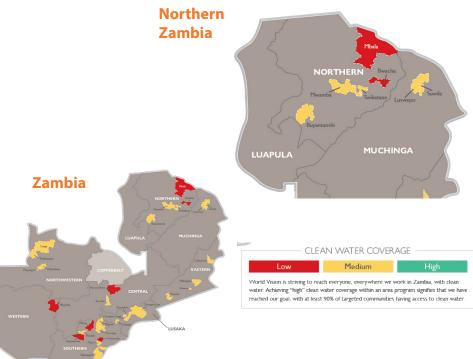
SUMMARY

WATER

In Northern Zambia, our goal is to provide clean water to 200,000 men, women, and children living in the seven area programs (AP) where we work. Thanks to your faithful support, we are well on our way, reaching more than 73,000 people. In just the first half of FY23, 11,981 people gained access to clean water through 25 new hand pumps (pictured at right) and the installation of eight pipedwater systems.

To sustain and maintain their new WASH systems, 582 community members formed 57 water point committees. These committees will ensure that each new water point will continue to provide clean water, protecting their communities from disease.

For children, having access to clean water means spending their days in the classroom rather than walking for hours to collect dirty water. For women, it means time spent pursuing businesses that will benefit their entire family. In Buyantanshi and Mwamba, 67 people (52 women and 15 men) from three savings groups were trained to make and sell soap. Each person was equipped with the raw materials needed to kick-start their businesses. Your partnership is not only helping to provide economic stability for these families, but also improving access to soap in their communities.



SPOTLIGHT: MWAMBA AP

- Together with World Vision's Transforming Household Resilience in Vulnerable Environments (THRIVE) program, 25 members of a savings group were trained in soap making and good hygiene practices. The purpose of this training was to empower each member financially while also promoting good hygiene through access to affordable soap.
- To ensure the concerns of people living with disabilities are heard and to make WASH interventions more inclusive, World Vision staff participated in a training with Zambia Agency for Persons with Disability and other like-minded organizations. In addition to the training, 126 people (including 50 children) received a disability identification card. The card not only contains each person's medical information and links them to social protection services, but the information collected helps World Vision staff understand and address the barriers faced by people living with disabilities.

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Clean water is critical in preventing infections at healthcare facilities (HCF). That's why the program prioritized providing water to three HCFs by installing 26 taps from three piped-water systems. In Mbala AP, the program extended a piped-water system to include 13 taps at a maternity ward, preventing disease and enhancing good hygiene for pregnant mothers. For the first time, new mothers can take showers and use a flush toilet during their stay. To promote good hygiene practices in schools, handwashing stations were installed at 12 schools, and students and teachers received training on basic hygiene. The handwashing stations at three of the schools were connected to newly constructed piped-water systems, benefiting 2,185 students. The entire village of Muimbwe relied on one hand pump and a nearby stream for water. Collecting water was a difficult task for most, but for



Roydah, a mother of seven, it was almost impossible. Roydah's left leg is physically disabled, which affects her ability to walk.

"Despite my physical condition, I used to walk to fetch water both for drinking and domestic use. This meant spending most of my time walking as I cannot walk fast," explained Roydah. "A glimpse of hope came to our village when World Vision drilled a borehole 200 meters from my home, but this still did not solve the water challenges in my community. Long queues characterized our daily activities at the borehole, but at least the water was clean and safe to drink, and the safety of my daughters was assured at the borehole."

In 2022, the water challenge in Roydah's village was solved when World Vision constructed a piped-water system. She shared, "After a tap was installed at my yard, I was trained in basic gardening and supported with vegetable seeds, a wire fence, and hose pipe. This changed my life. Last month, I sold vegetables from my garden which helped me contribute towards maintenance of the water system and purchase schoolbooks for my children."



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