

HOPE at HOME

ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

October 2022–September 2023 | Honduras

SUMMARY

Over World Vision's almost 50 years of service in Honduras, we've seen families there demonstrate resilience, commitment to community, and deeply rooted faith. Despite challenges poverty, violence, and waves of disasters—they continue to dream of and work toward a better future.

We're coming alongside Hondurans in the hope of Christ, working together to address physical needs, provide economic opportunities, equip parents, and empower children. With God's help and your partnership, we're seeing encouraging progress.

A game-changing partnership

At World Vision, we've found that one of the most effective and efficient ways

to work is by partnering with local churches. We already share with them a foundational commitment to Christ and His work in the world—yet both parties also have unique resources to offer each other. World Vision provides training and expertise that churches often need, and churches have rapport with local communities and extensive relational networks that enable wider reach and greater impact.

Our partnerships with over 12,000 Honduran churches mean that more families can access clean water, more entrepreneurs are empowered, more children are protected, and more people know Christ and His love.



Children in peace clubs work every day in their communities to achieve a culture of peace. Last August, 450 of them celebrated their efforts with an afternoon of water games and fun.

PEOPLE REACHED (OCTOBER 2022–SEPTEMBER 2023)

834,327	PEOPLE [*] were empowered with access to essential services in Honduras.
33,911	people gained access to clean water for drinking, better household sanitation, and improved personal hygiene.
\$ 21,300	producer group members were selling value chain products and farmers were using improved tools through economic empowerment .
3,089	caregivers, youth, and children were empowered to identify violence and protect themselves and others through child protection projects.
† 769,564	pastors, Christian leaders, teachers, parents, children, and youth benefited from training and resources to learn Bible-based life skills and explore or deepen their faith through Christian discipleship efforts.
6,463	young people were equipped with the tools and training they need to enter the workforce through Youth Ready .

*Some participants have accessed multiple services. For instance, a church leader may have participated in a children's ministry training and gained access to clean water.

WATER

SUMMARY

As FY23 progressed, World Vision gained momentum providing water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services in Honduras, reaching nearly 34,000 vulnerable children and their families with clean water. We helped 8,607 people in 1,984 households gain access to sanitation facilities and another 7,888 people in 1,575 households to have handwashing facilities.

Equipping communities and leaders

Altogether, we trained nearly 39,000 people in 7,741 households in FY23 on latrine use, management, and maintenance; personal and household hygiene; and the importance of clean drinking water. To help ensure that good practices continued, we worked with community groups to monitor progress and create action plans.

Those trained included 282 leaders from 114 churches. World Vision integrated biblical teaching to underscore the importance of caring for ourselves and each other. Faith leaders spoke to their congregations about good health practices to multiply the impact of the training.

An expanding reach

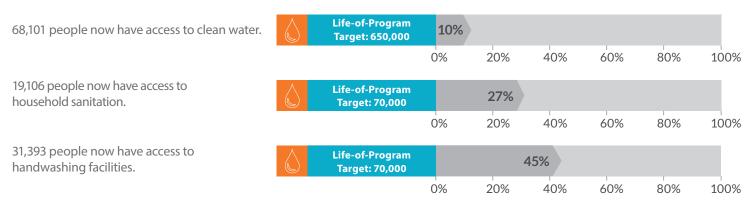
We met with new Ministry of Education authorities, who intend to make WASH UP! part of the curriculum in Honduras—promoting healthy hygiene practices even in areas of the country where World Vision has no direct influence. We also trained 56 schools to maintain WASH infrastructure and promote behavior change. Each school's action plan included peer training on proper hygiene, sanitation, and cleaning. We held the WASH UP! Girl Talk workshop to promote better health, particularly in menstrual hygiene management.

In addition, we trained 110 microwatershed committees to create a plan to maintain their water sources.



Children, including these in the La Ruidosa community (above), enjoy access to clean water. Having clean water available helps reduce high rates of infant mortality related to intestinal diseases and poor nutrition. In addition, ready access to clean water removes the risks women and children face when carrying water, such as physical injury from lugging heavy containers or violence experienced on desolate roads.

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES (LIFE OF PROGRAM: FY22-FY27)



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

SUMMARY

Over the last seven years of the THRIVE (Transforming Household Resilience in Vulnerable Environments) project, we've reached over 76,000 people with tools to help transform their farms into profitable businesses. Thank you for faithfully partnering with families as they've learned new skills, connected to better markets, and increased their incomes.

Better markets, better prices

Since the beginning of the project, we've equipped coffee, bean, and vegetable farmers to form cooperatives so they can take advantage of group buying and selling and better market their products. This positions them to sell directly to exporters, earning much more than by selling locally or to a reseller. Over the life of the project, THRIVE farmers have formed 550 producer groups (double the target) with more than 15,000 members—the vast majority of those selling value chain products. In FY23, we trained 60 farmers to grow new high-value crops: plantains and habanero peppers. We then connected them to companies that export these products internationally (where prices are better), which translates to more stable markets and higher income for the farmers.

Boosting coffee sales

In FY23, individual THRIVE farmers earned \$184,942 selling clean cup and specialty coffees after impressing exporters at coffee competitions (not including sales generated by coffee cooperatives). The coffee sales contracts for the 2022-2023 crop totaled 6.6 million bags, a 14% increase over 2021-2022.

Visit the <u>THRIVE dashboard</u> to

see progress overall since FY17. In FY24, Honduras will launch THRIVE 2030, which aims to reach 500,000 Hondurans with the tools to lift themselves out of poverty by 2030.



When World Vision organized trainings on agricultural techniques and best practices for parents in the community of Agua Blanca, Lucas and Ritza (back left and right) attended. As they practice what they've learned, their crops will improve and be more diverse, and their family of six will experience greater food security.

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES (LIFE OF PROGRAM: FY17-FY23)

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W.	Ş	Life-of-Program Target: 14,000						122%
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
icipating as savings	Ş	Life-of-Program Target: 14,000					84%	
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
p members increased value chain products.	Ş	Life-of-Program Target: 10,000						124%
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
v using improved tools	Ş	Life-of-Program Target: 10,000						132%
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%

17,020 people received training in Biblical Empowered Worldview.

11,701 people are participating as savings group members.

12,448 producer group members increased their profits by selling value chain products.

13,193 farmers are now using improved tools and practices.

CHILD PROTECTION

SUMMARY

Every boy and girl deserves a childhood free from violence and exploitation. We're working toward that reality in Honduras, where 2,041 children and youth are participating in peace clubs, leading their community by example as they build relationships established in peace and trust.

Empowering children

Children's Municipal Councils (CMCs) empower young people to be agents of change in their communities. Currently, 284 children and youth are participating in CMCs. Additionally, 49 children (29 girls) serving on CMCs also became representatives on councils working with Honduras' national child protection agency. In a social context in which children have historically been excluded, this represents a significant shift in mindsets and an exciting opportunity for children's experiences to be part of local decision-making.

Multiplying impact in leaders, parents In FY23, World Vision trained 211 faith and community leaders to serve as facilitators of the tenderness model, which teaches parents and caregivers about raising children with gentleness and without violence. Since then, these new facilitators have passed their training on to 687 parents and caregivers raising 1,895 children across 50 communities.

Additionally, we equipped 186 community facilitators in the Peace Roads methodology, which introduces adults to ways of ensuring violence-free childhoods and supporting the work of peace clubs.

Innovating to keep children safe

A new platform launched in four municipalities to promote a culture of addressing child rights violations and abuse. Community members can use the platform to report concerns. We trained 105 child protection advocates to receive these reports and ensure follow-up on any allegations made. To date, the project has responded to 33 incidents.



"Before I joined the peace club, my mom was very afraid that I would go out to the streets. I was very shy—I couldn't talk to other people, much less speak in public. I had no friends, and I didn't know about ... my rights and obligations as a child. Today, thanks to World Vision, I know all that and have many friends. I'm also [helping] other children who are joining the peace clubs."

-Brayan, 14

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES (LIFE OF PROGRAM: FY23-FY26)

154 actions were taken by local committees to prevent violence and promote children's rights.	Ś	Life-of-Program Target: 600		26%				
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
1,895 children now benefit from caregivers trained in positive parenting techniques.	Ś	Life-of-Program Target: 3,440	55%					
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
81 peace clubs are advocating for a culture of peace in their communities.	Ś	Life-of-Program Target: 81		100%				%
1			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

SUMMARY

In Matthew 19:14, Jesus says, "Let the little children come to me" Yet in many parts of the world, barriers exist that prevent children from meeting Jesus. To remove those barriers and create opportunities for children to understand God's love and grow in their faith, we help surround them with the resources they need: loving parents, trained pastors, and biblical programs that provide loving environments where faith can take root.

Making a difference at home

Raising Children with Tenderness trainings and other Bible-based programs have so far equipped 38,764 parents and caregivers to replace harmful family patterns with peaceful, healthy ones. Kelly Salgado, a mother and a lieutenant in the Honduran armed forces, says, "Through the theme of the Balm of Tenderness, we realize how vulnerable we are and that we often hide behind ... things we still need to heal in our hearts. Thank you to World Vision for giving us this seminar."

Churches start ripple effects of impact

We celebrate that, just two years in, we've reached more than triple our goal for church leaders trained. To date, 10,453 church leaders (against a target of 3,000) from 559 churches have learned how to nurture the spiritual lives of children through play and gentleness. They also see how cultures of peace and the tender protection of children are the fruit of their own spiritual formation; as they understand God's love for them, that serves as the basis for their interactions with others. Now, leaders are taking those lessons back to their congregations, sharing their learnings with others in their churches and with local families.

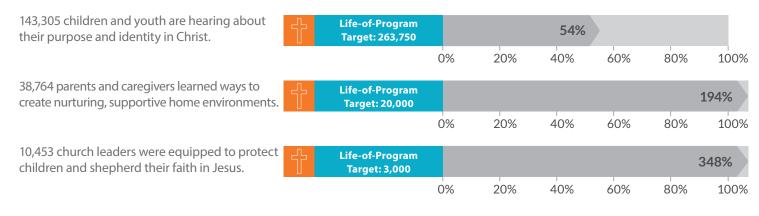
Expanding to new frontiers

We see a significant opportunity to reach more Honduran families and communities through Christian discipleship. In FY24, we'll seek to partner with new churches in areas in which World Vision doesn't currently have a presence.



Shouldering responsibilities usually carried by adults, Josué, 15, coped by becoming hardened and difficult. Then, he began attending Christian discipleship activities hosted by a local church. One day, the church also provided him with clothes that he desperately needed. A church volunteer shared, "Josué gave me one of the most sincere hugs of my life. With a broken voice he told me, 'Sister, God loves me, and today, He showed it to me."

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES (LIFE OF PROGRAM: FY22-FY26)



YOUTH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

SUMMARY

In Honduras, youth from violent or poor neighborhoods struggle to see a future for themselves. Good jobs are scarce, and the jobs that are available require skills that are hard to come by.

Our Youth Ready curriculum equips youth with access to training, mentoring, and real opportunities by teaching them how to set and pursue a goal of employment, entrepreneurship, or education.

In FY23, 709 youth secured jobs through Youth Ready, more than double the number in FY22. Another 815 started their own businesses again, more than twice the achievement in FY22.

The success we're seeing now is the result of adapting to challenges, refining our approach, and building a strong partner network. Over the last four years, we have refined our training to focus more on equipping youth with in-demand skills, and we've increased job opportunities by forming more partnerships with employers. Those efforts have paid off: FY23 was our strongest year yet, giving us momentum to expand into Guatemala and El Salvador in FY24. Over the next seven years, our goal is to prepare 60,000 youth in all three countries for meaningful employment.

FY23 highlights

More than 1,500 young men and women completed Youth Ready in FY23. In addition to those who got jobs or started businesses:

- 542 received a technical or vocational training certificate.
- 428 returned to formal or informal education.
- 267 participated in young entrepreneur networks, growing their business skills through trainings offered by World Vision and the Honduran Revenue Administration.



"I urge all young people to seek out opportunities to realize their ambitions and aspirations," said Henrry, 18. "Life may present challenges, but it is vital to remain resolute and determined, for anything is attainable with perseverance and self-belief. I extend heartfelt gratitude to World Vision and Youth Ready for their invaluable support." Youth Ready helped Henrry start a business raising pigs.

PHASE 2 PROGRESS TO DATE (LIFE OF PROGRAM: FY20-FY23)

5,276 young people completed the Youth Ready program.		Life-of-Program Target: 3,875						136%
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
2,634 youth received a technical or vocational training certificate.		Life-of-Program Target: 2,325						113%
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
2,282 youth began generating income through employment or entrepreneurship.	Ş	Life-of-Program Target: 2,500					91%	
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
915 youth returned to formal or informal education.		Life-of-Program Target: 1,000					92%	
			0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%



THANK YOU

For decades, women and children (above) in San Francisco, a community in western Honduras, have spent untold hours fetching water from a nearby river. But the process was stressful and dangerous, and the water was not safe for human consumption, creating widespread health risks for the community. In August 2023, World Vision partnered with local government and community leaders to embark on a new water project in San Francisco. The water project will not only provide access to safe drinking water, but also improve basic sanitation conditions, creating a healthier and safer environment for all the residents of San Francisco.

Your ongoing prayers and support are making a difference for men, women, and children in Honduras. Through holistic services that address physical and spiritual needs, families are being equipped with tools to break the cycle of poverty for themselves and the next generation.

Thank you for living out your love for God and others by generously supporting Hope at Home: Honduras!

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

-Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)



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