



SEMIANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

October 2023 – March 2024 | Global Hunger Response

SUMMARY

The number and severity of humanitarian crises around the globe are creating conditions that require stretching already thin resources even more thinly, leading to increased hunger and malnutrition as aid organizations like the World Food Programme (WFP) have been forced to reduce what they can offer.

But we are grateful you have stepped up to help World Vision fill the gap, being the hands of Jesus to more than 6.5 million of the hungry since October 2023. Of those, more than 3.7 million were children.

Global Hunger Response highlights

We currently are responding to emergencies in 25 countries. Here are a few highlights of our work in some of the most challenging, desperate places.

Sudan and Chad

More than 12 million Sudanese. including more than 5 million children, have been displaced by conflict, many of them seeking

safety in neighboring Chad and surrounding countries. Your support helped us provide food and nutrition programs in Sudan and in refugee communities in Chad, where we are the World Food Programme's largest distribution partner.

World Vision CEO Edgar Sandoval visited our work among Sudanese families in May, and you can hear him talk about some of our work here: https://vimeo.com/956683520.

Burkina Faso

With more than 2 million people displaced due to armed conflict, and more than 3.8 million in need of help finding enough to eat, World Vision is working to identify the most vulnerable families to receive food distributions as well as the supplies needed to grow nutritious food.

Haiti

Ongoing violence and a lack of governance continue to wreak havoc



This father in Burkina Faso is better able to grow crops that will feed his family and provide income, thanks to your support of our hunger response in his community.

in Haiti, where we are working to address hunger for some of the nearly 5 million people in need there and in the neighboring Dominican Republic, where some have fled. Our efforts include growth monitoring and nutrition activities for children, and livelihoods and agriculture help for their parents.

GLOBAL UPDATE & PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES

6,573,275 PEOPLE, including 3,723,741 children, have Hunger Response so far in fiscal year 2024. PEOPLE, including 3,723,741 children, have been impacted by World Vision's Global



3,725,984

children and adults received in-kind food assistance, while 1,396,104 people received cash and voucher assistance, and 279,281 children received hot meals and/or dry rations through school feeding programs.



594,096

children and adults gained access to clean water as well as hygiene and sanitation promotion services to prevent waterborne diseases.

MULTIPLYING YOUR IMPACT

So far in FY24, World Vision has leveraged \$30,829,948 in private gifts from generous donors like you, enabling us to garner another \$448,751,384 in grants for our work to fight hunger around the globe. Your gifts give us the grounding we need to apply for large grants from the government and other agencies, vastly increasing our impact and reach. These leveraged grants enabled us to provide food and other vital support to 2,755,229 people.









Two of our largest partners are the U.N.'s WFP and the U.S. Agency for International Development's Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance. UNICEF also is a valued partner. Our reputation for program excellence has made us the WFP's largest nongovernmental partner for distributing food in humanitarian responses worldwide.

For grants directly addressing the Global Hunger Response, donations are multiplied up to seven times in impact.

OUR GLOBAL HUNGER RESPONSE

These partnerships help us reach more hungry—and often starving—children and their families with lifesaving care. Our support includes (but is not limited to):

> Emergency food > Child protection > Water, sanitation, and hygiene > Healthcare > Nutrition

Additionally, as we work to meet the long-term needs of children and adults and help rebuild their communities, we offer services that address key areas such as livelihoods and income generation, which can help families better respond to crises when they arise. Some of this work includes helping families grow more and healthier crops for home use and for sale where feasible.

In FY24, our Global Hunger Response was active in 25 countries (see map below). World Vision continuously monitors global food shortages in our program areas and partners with the United Nations and other organizations to ensure we reach families and children living in the hardest-hit places. The countries where we focus this work can change as needs change.



WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME PARTNERSHIP

SUMMARY

In FY24 to date, World Vision has received more than \$167 million in World Food Programme grants. We are able to secure these grants because of our proven track record working in the hardest places in the world. So far this year, we are partnering with the WFP to reach approximately 3.5 million people in 19 countries, including:

South Sudan

This East African nation's crisis is compounded by economic woes, violence, climate challenges, and an influx of Sudanese refugees. On top of South Sudan's own struggles to feed its people, 600,000 Sudanese refugees have fled here, and an estimated 1,500 more arrive daily. More than 5.8 million—nearly half of South Sudan's population—is experiencing severe hunger. In Upper Nile State, where many Sudanese refugees have arrived, 56% of the population faces severe hunger.

World Vision is working with the WFP, using more than \$9.6 million in new awards to distribute food and cash to nearly 375,000 Sudanese refugees and South Sudanese, especially those in host communities.

Venezuela

Harsh economic conditions and poor governance continue to worsen, leaving nearly 29 million people struggling with hyperinflation and safety concerns. More than 7 million Venezuelans have made the treacherous trek through the Darien Gap to find safety and hope in other Latin American countries.

Within Venezuela's borders, 7.7 million people need help to ease their hunger. To assist, we are working with the WFP to implement school feeding projects and activities that help families grow nutritious crops for home use and for sale. These projects, valued at nearly \$695,000, are reaching 53,706 people.

Zimbabwe

El Niño has brought drought to this Southern African nation, exacerbating an existing hunger crisis and severely damaging grain harvests. Before the drought, 2.7 million people in rural areas were dependent on food aid, while urban residents struggled with soaring inflation. The government estimates \$2 billion is needed to meet the needs of Zimbabwean families.

To help mitigate the impact of El Niño, World Vision is working with the WFP to proactively respond through activities such as providing farmers with seeds for drought-tolerant crops, and food for vulnerable households facing severe hunger conditions.

So far in FY24, we have reached 84,443 Zimbabweans with assistance valued at more than \$3.5 million.



Helping Zimbabwean farmers grow a wider variety of drought-tolerant crops is improving not only their household food supplies, but also increasing yields so they can sell to others.

Farmers like Farah, 74, are growing okra, sugar beans, squash, kale, tomatoes, and other crops. "[This program] has empowered us with knowledge on how to run a garden and provided us with technical support," she said. "I now have financial freedom and can take care of myself and my four grandchildren."

Sandra, 52, said that on a good month, her producer group can sell up to 30 bundles of kale per week at \$1 each, and nine buckets of tomatoes at \$15 each. "Our crops are in high demand from local villagers and people in surrounding areas. We used to live on food handouts, but now we have a sustainable source of income," Sandra said.



LOOKING AHEAD

As global hunger continues to be driven by conflict, extreme climate conditions, and a host of economic factors, our response needs to be a constant for families in affected areas. Recent studies show that 45 million children globally are suffering from wasting, and 13.7 million are affected by severe wasting, the most lethal form of malnutrition and one of the top threats to child survival. Ending hunger is possible, but it requires political will, accountability, building resilience from the ground up, and adequate funding.

To ensure children and families get the assistance they need, we are transitioning our Global Hunger Response to an approach that integrates longer-term, sustainable solutions to hunger into our regular programming. Strategies will ensure the ability to adapt programming and respond as conditions change in each context. They include activities such as training farmers on techniques to protect soil nutrients and supplying seeds for crops that can better survive drought.

This transition process is slated for March through September of this year, and includes creating the tools needed by each national office to support staffing and funding needs.

THANK YOU

We are grateful for your support, which is providing vital care and assistance to your neighbors a world away. May God richly bless you.

Tahani is a Sudanese mother of twin boys, Adam and Adeeb, just 21 months old. They have been living a nightmare since armed forces attacked their village.

"I faced shooting and people killing people on the road," she recalled of her journey to Chad to escape the violence. Tahani carried one of the toddlers and a relative carried the other. "Houses were on fire, and villages," she added. She doesn't know what happened to her husband.

Conditions in their village and the arduous trip to Chad left both boys severely malnourished. Here, they receive care at a Red Cross nutrition center, where they were referred by World Vision staff. Adam's hands are bandaged to prevent him from pulling out the feeding tube that provides the nourishment he needs to survive.



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