

SUMMARY

At World Vision, we’re committed to offering holistic services to Honduran families so they can flourish—today and in the future. That’s why Hope at Home: Honduras is investing in the next generation, equipping girls and boys with tools to break the cycle of generational poverty.

Daniel’s story of hope

Daniel* (right) lives in a neighborhood known as “the gangster” sector of town. Often, children there witness violence, experience neglect, and—amid a lack of opportunities—are recruited at a young age to join gangs.

Eleven-year-old Daniel first came to World Vision’s community outreach center two years ago. He recalls,

“When I saw everything that was here, I said, ‘Wow, so beautiful.’”

With little to no support at home, Daniel comes to the center every day to eat, access school supplies, and get help with his homework. He’s also joined a peace club, where he’s embracing lessons about his worth and alternatives to violence.

Nahum, a field technician for the program, says, “The program activities have helped Daniel become more disciplined.” He adds that today, Daniel is “known in his community—known not just for what he suffered but because of his capacity to learn and do new things.”






**Daniel’s name has been changed for protection.*



Daniel’s neighborhood has a reputation for gang activity. In this report, we share how World Vision is helping to protect and empower Daniel and thousands of other children.

PEOPLE REACHED (OCTOBER 2022–MARCH 2024)

1,013,879 PEOPLE[†] were empowered with access to essential services in Honduras.

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58,303 people gained access to **clean water** for drinking, better household sanitation, and improved personal hygiene.
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42,369 producer group members were selling value chain products and farmers were using improved tools through **economic empowerment**.
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4,417 caregivers, youth, and children were empowered to identify violence and protect themselves and others through **child protection** projects.
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8,486 young people were equipped with tools and training to enter the workforce through **RISE** (Reaching Independence through Support and Empowerment).
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900,304 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.

[†]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

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In the first six months of FY24, our water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) team worked diligently to overcome challenges. Through their efforts and with your support, **the number of people with access to clean water has tripled, and the number of water systems under construction has doubled since this time last year!**

Infrastructure that impacts lives

We've already finished the job of providing several municipalities with high coverage of clean water, and we're working with local governments to verify data.

During the first half of FY24, we reached 24,392 people with clean water. We also helped 5,484 people in 1,144 households gain access to sanitation facilities and another 6,689 people in 1,386 homes to build handwashing facilities. Beyond households, 2,247 children in 22 schools gained access to clean water, as well as 8,492 patients in

three health centers. And in 36 schools and six health centers, we constructed sanitation and hygiene facilities—including sex-separated toilets, menstrual hygiene management rooms, and handwashing stations—benefiting more than 9,300 students, patients, and healthcare workers.

Training to support long-term change

To complement our WASH infrastructure work, we form community WASH committees and run school programs like WASH UP! and Girl Talk to help change behaviors and eliminate barriers to safe WASH practices. During this reporting period, we held four WASH UP! workshops for 130 teachers from 67 schools, as well as a Girl Talk workshop, training 29 teachers at 10 schools. Additionally, 84 pastors and church staff were trained to share messages with their congregations about healthy hygiene and sanitation.



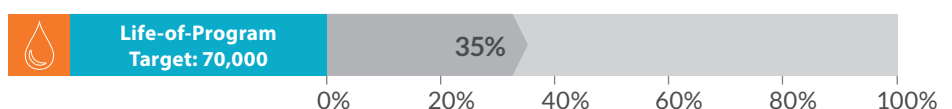
Kimberly and Joseph use a new handwashing station at their school. Until recently, the school had only one pit latrine and no handwashing facilities. Both children are members of their school's WASH club, where they have learned how to promote good sanitation and hygiene practices among their peers, like throwing trash away in containers and washing hands after using the bathroom.

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

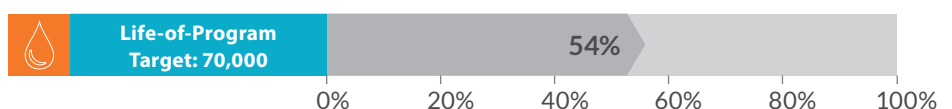
92,493 people now have access to clean water.



24,590 people now have access to household sanitation.



38,082 people now have access to handwashing facilities.



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

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In FY24, World Vision launched a new phase of THRIVE (Transforming Household Resilience in Vulnerable Environments) in Honduras, where about one-quarter of the population is experiencing a crisis or emergency condition of food insecurity. Over the life of THRIVE 2030, we aim to reach **500,000 people with the tools they need to lift themselves out of extreme poverty.**

By going into the hardest areas and targeting farmers at risk of migrating, THRIVE 2030 is laying a foundation for change. Through your generous support, we are helping vulnerable people transform their outlook, acquire vital skills, and increase their farming incomes. We have recruited and trained staff members, formed partnerships, conducted a startup workshop, and registered participating households.

Startup activities on track

World Vision is well on our way to completing startup activities by the end of FY24, marking a successful first year for the program. So far, we've hired 25 of the 27 needed staff members and trained them in Biblical Empowered Worldview (BEVV), market knowledge and access, and forming and digitizing savings groups.

We are renewing agreements with previous THRIVE partners in government, the private sector, and churches. We're also learning about the priorities of potential partners as

we work to sign new agreements with them. We signed a memorandum of understanding with DreamStart Labs, whose digital banking technology helps people in the developing world achieve their financial goals. We'll use its DreamSave application to digitize savings groups, enabling members to track their savings and loans.

Household registrations rising

We registered 63,192 households in THRIVE 2030, marking our first large-scale registration of this magnitude in Honduras. While this represents 89% of our Phase 1 goal, we discovered that the average household size was smaller than expected due to migration. As a result, we plan to register more households than initially planned to reach the targeted number of participants.

We trained 5,925 participants in BEVV, including 242 community leaders and volunteers who were trained to become trainers themselves. Additionally, 576 participants, comprising 34 savings groups, are receiving training in the savings methodology.

Preparing for disasters

Recurring natural disasters, particularly hurricanes and droughts linked to the El Niño effect, remain a threat. Program staff will be trained to mitigate climate-related risks.

Note: Progress on economic empowerment core activities will be included in the upcoming FY24 annual report.



The soil, climate, and irrigation were suitable for agriculture, yet a group of 17 farmers from Lentago Village still struggled to make a living. Initially, each apple tomato plant in their greenhouse yielded 12 pounds of produce.

With the creation of a business plan and technical assistance through THRIVE, the farmers' harvest increased to 15 pounds per plant. In 2024, the group produced more than 23 tons of apple tomatoes, earning \$14,085. The farmers reinvested their profits in additional crops, healthcare, education, and food for their families.

Now, THRIVE 2030 is further elevating this group, training members in BEVV, savings groups, and market knowledge and access.

CHILD PROTECTION

SUMMARY

We take a multifaceted approach to protecting children, starting by working with them directly. So far in FY24, we've served 744 children and youth (like Daniel on page 1), meaning a total of **2,863 precious young lives have been impacted through this program since FY22.**

In addition, we prioritize training parents and caregivers, building safe communities, and advocating for children's rights and dignity.

Equipping children to lead the way

Children took part in walks for peace in all 10 of the program's municipalities. These marches brought visibility to the issue of children's rights, drew the attention of community leaders, and encouraged children to actively advocate for themselves. As of FY24, 176 children and youth (101 of whom are girls) served on Children's Municipal Councils, promoting their right to have a voice in community decision-making.

Training parents and caregivers

Thus far in FY24, 219 mothers, fathers, and caregivers participated

in the School of Tenderness, which encourages a parenting approach rooted in love while discouraging violence in the home. We just finished training 47 more faith and community leaders in the School of Tenderness, so even more caregivers will be equipped in the near future.

Further, 198 facilitators participated in training to better lead the 584 children who have joined peace clubs, which are working to prevent violence across 50 communities.

Safe communities

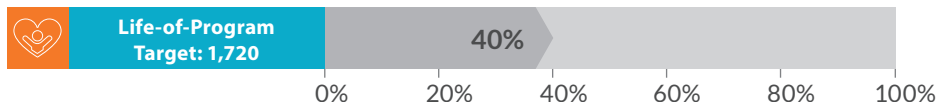
Eight municipalities signed cooperation agreements for the addition and strengthening of Children's Municipal Councils. This creates an avenue for children's voices and experiences to influence local decisions. Additionally, 50 communities adopted violence prevention plans outlining actions to promote education, recreation, and peace for children. One major component of the plans involves delivering 1,061 school kits to vulnerable students.



Children in the Villa Nueva Sur neighborhood often played at the local park (top), but the equipment was old, rusty metal littered the ground, and the area filled with sewage after rain. "Many children were injured," reports Dilcia Murillo, who serves as president of the local parents association that partnered with World Vision to renew the space, installing new equipment and durable artificial grass (bottom). She says, "Now, the children have a great time."

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

687 parents and caregivers received training in positive parenting techniques.



298 children and youth participated in groups that promote and defend their rights.



2,041 children took significant actions to advance the end of violence against children.



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In FY24, World Vision launched the RISE (Reaching Independence through Support and Empowerment) program in seven key intervention areas in Honduras. Recognized local partners, churches, and community leaders were introduced to RISE and the **benefits, transformation, and impact they can expect to see in the lives of young people in their communities.**

Building on success

Using the previous Youth Ready program as its basis, RISE equips young people with skills, training, and experience to thrive in life and the workforce.

During Phase 1, World Vision aims to reach 12,800 Honduran adolescents and youth in the first 3.5 years. By participating in Youth Ready and the newly launched Teen Ready (the training modules for RISE), these young people will be better prepared to continue their education, secure a job, or start a business.

Positive results already

We praise God for the impact we're already witnessing through the launch of RISE. In FY24, World Vision trained

39 facilitators in the Youth Ready methodology. After receiving her training, Maryori Argueta, a project facilitator in Tegucigalpa, says, "I feel proud and grateful to be part of RISE. Working with talented young people fills me with joy and satisfaction, knowing that together we are making a positive difference in their lives and in the world around us."

RISE staff have begun supporting 178 youth who had participated in Youth Ready under the previous program, connecting them to professional opportunities and academic services. So far, 71 of these youth have been placed in jobs, 60 have started businesses, and 47 are continuing their education.

Establishing partnerships for longevity

We are also developing partnerships with local organizations, churches, schools, and businesses, which will strengthen the RISE program and ensure its sustainability in the future.



"I did not know anything about RISE. I had heard that they gave courses and trainings, but I didn't know how impactful it would be in my life. I now define myself as a persevering person, and just like all the young people who are being educated and who have dreams and goals, we will achieve them."

—Anderson Anael Segura
Valladares, 27

PHASE 1 PROGRESS TO DATE (FY24)



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youth who participated in Youth Ready under the previous program are being supported in their education, employment, and entrepreneurship pathways.



786

youth enrolled in RISE.

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

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Psalm 57:10 offers this praise to God: “For great is your love, reaching to the heavens” (NIV). **We’re seeing God’s love and tender mercy at work among children, families, and churches in Honduras.**

Introducing kids to God’s tenderness

So far in FY24, 20,017 children across 165 churches and 45 educational centers participated in the Tenderness Bus curriculum. Through the course, children learn about God’s love for them, see their own importance, memorize Bible verses, and explore uplifting moral and spiritual values.

We also started working with one of our church partners, the Assemblies of God, to integrate concepts from the Tenderness Bus into their children’s ministry curriculum. We hope to reach children across the denomination’s 120 churches.

Gentle parents, gentle parenting

In the first half of FY24, 8,320 parents and caregivers received training in Bible-based parenting

methodologies. While participants sign up to learn how to incorporate peace and sensitivity into their parenting, many find themselves reckoning with experiences from their own childhood.

“The School of Tenderness workshop helped me as a person to release wounds from the past and ... to forgive my parents, since they made many mistakes because they had no one to teach them in the past,” reflects Zenaida Caballero, a mother who cares for her daughter with special needs. “But now, we have the opportunity to be part of this learning to heal and help other people cope with the emotional burdens that we often experience.”

Churches as centers for impact

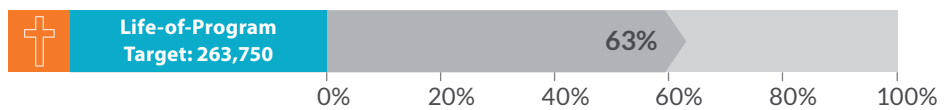
Nearly 2,100 church leaders joined one of our Christian discipleship trainings so far in FY24 to protect children and to nurture their faith in settings like Sunday School classes, camps, retreats, and Bible schools.



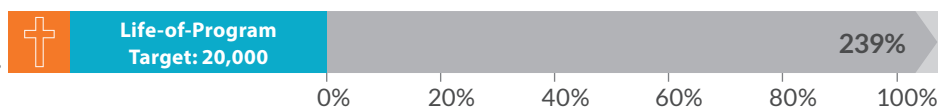
As a young girl, Sulmy Banegas (above, left) felt so hopeless she considered taking her life. Then, she experienced God’s love and her whole life changed. This year, she’s taken youth mentoring and Tenderness Bus trainings to reach out to those who might be suffering like she did. “My desire is to study the Bible and other topics ... to be able to share the love of God with other young people and children in my community,” Sulmy says.

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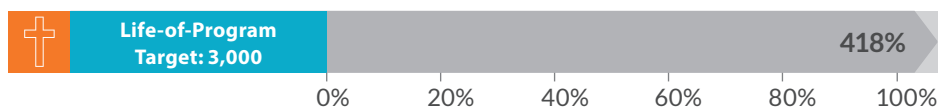
165,583 children and youth are hearing about their purpose and identity in Christ.



47,811 parents and caregivers learned ways to create caring, supportive home environments.



12,540 church leaders were equipped to protect children and shepherd their faith.





SERVING THE MOST VULNERABLE

World Vision's work in Honduras is empowering and bringing hope to many who have been historically marginalized, including women, children, those who experience disabilities, and those living in remote areas.

In neighborhoods and even churches in which the voices of women and children have been silenced, our tenderness trainings are promoting the benefits of welcoming their perspectives.

In March of this year, we welcomed students of the Association of the Blind of Honduras (above) to participate in activities from Tenderness Bus. In coordination with the Franciscan Training Institute for the Blind, we also trained 12 teachers who care for people with visual disabilities.

Finally, we're actively partnering with 250 people of the Garifuna ethnic group, a minority community that has faced discrimination. So far, these representatives have brought trainings related to child protection committees, peace clubs, and conflict resolution back to their communities.

THANK YOU

We firmly believe that your prayers and generosity are opening doors to reach men, women, and children in Honduras, especially those who have been overlooked.

Thank you for your support of Hope at Home: Honduras!

*"I will praise you, Lord,
among the nations;
I will sing of you among
the peoples. For great is
your love, reaching to the
heavens; your faithfulness
reaches to the skies.*

*Be exalted, O God, above the
heavens; let your glory be
over all the earth."*

—Psalm 57:9–11 (NIV)

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