

## SUMMARY

World Vision’s health initiatives are improving the well-being of children and families around the globe as we strive to bring clean water and improved sanitation and hygiene to health facilities everywhere we work. To date, we have reached 831 facilities globally, against a goal of 3,000 by 2030.

Your support is making a difference in Niger and Zambia, and programs are ramping up in Rwanda and soon in Ghana as well. Through these programs, expecting mothers and their families are learning the importance of prenatal and postnatal care and delivering their babies in a health facility. Along with improved water, sanitation, and hygiene, many of

these facilities have new or improved maternity wards. Hardworking staff members are getting training that prepares them to provide better care.

Children are being cured of malnutrition as their families learn to prepare nutritious food that is affordable and locally available. They are receiving preventive care through immunizations, growth monitoring, health education campaigns, and visits from trained community health workers. These volunteers are equipped with the training and tools (such as medicines, smartphones, and illustrated manuals) they need to keep children from dying needlessly from common illnesses like malaria or diarrhea.





*Maureen brings her baby to a postnatal care visit at Katukwe Health Post in Zambia. She had a healthy pregnancy and safe delivery thanks in part to your support of work in her community.*


## UPDATE & PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES


# 1,129,788


**PEOPLE, INCLUDING 621,118 CHILDREN**, have benefited from health education and training, improved mother and child healthcare and nutrition, and improved care from health facilities that were upgraded and gained clean water in Niger and Zambia since October 2023 (2,781,219 since October 2022).\*

 **370,089** children were screened and treated for infectious diseases and malnutrition.

 **13,356** community health workers and volunteers were trained to provide health information and basic care to their neighbors.

 **1,569** faith leaders were trained and actively advocating with families to use mother and child healthcare services.

 **350** nurses, midwives, and other staff members in health facilities received training to improve the quality of care.

 **96** health facilities gained water systems and other support, such as sanitation and hygiene facilities, staff training, and equipment.

\*These numbers reflect our work funded by private donors like you, as well as related projects funded by foundation donors.

# NIGER

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Empowering communities to bring about change and improved healthcare is a key to fostering sustainable, healthy environments.

### Community Health Workers lead the way

The list of achievements for these trained volunteers is a long one, headed by the growing numbers of sick children diagnosed and treated by the 400 people trained through your support.

In FY24, they diagnosed and treated 21,845 children younger than 5 for malaria, 16,718 for pneumonia, and 16,977 for diarrhea. They also played a vital role in making sure 100% of children in their communities were protected from malaria by sleeping under mosquito nets.

Community health workers also led discussion groups on the benefits

of breastfeeding and nutrition for young children that were attended by 62,002 men and women.

In some areas, these community volunteers don't receive stipends or other support from local government, so to improve retention, the project provided business training and created savings groups. Through September, \$18,670 in savings was used to create 45 small businesses that provide personal income for these vital care providers.

### Advocacy works

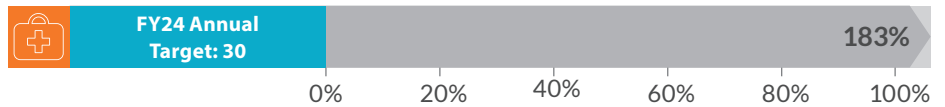
Thirty-four project health facilities had active Citizen Voice and Action committees, with 436 members. Their efforts led to improved water quality and supply at facilities as well as in three villages, reaching an additional 2,000 people with clean water.



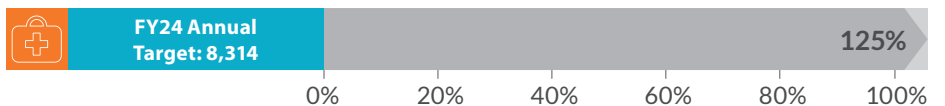
Ibrahim, left, is a community health worker whose job visiting this mother and her sick child in Dabedji was made easier with a new cell phone and solar charger. These help him track patient information through the mHealth application, reducing paperwork and enabling him to visit more families each day. "It's really awesome," he enthused.

## PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES

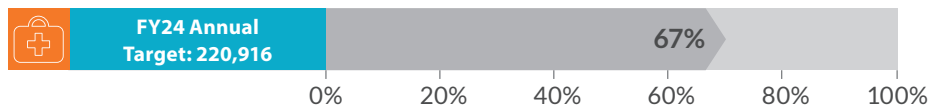
55 clinics gained water systems and support, such as sanitation/hygiene facilities, staff training, and equipment.



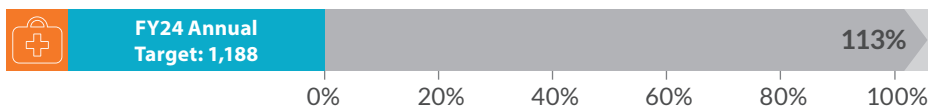
10,392 community health workers and volunteers were actively delivering health information and basic care to their neighbors.



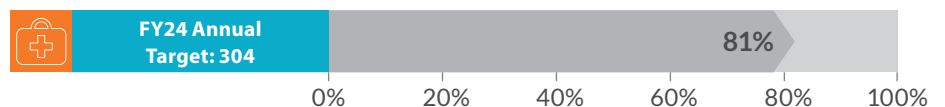
148,014 children were screened and treated for infectious diseases and malnutrition.



1,343 faith leaders were trained and actively advocating with families to use mother and child healthcare services.



247 nurses, midwives, and other staff members in health facilities received training to improve the quality of care.



# ZAMBIA

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Build it and they will come. Women shy away from having their babies at health facilities when those sites lack water and clean environs. That's why a strong focus of the work you support is on improving these clinics and health posts.

In FY24, six maternity wings were built, each with prenatal care, delivery, and postnatal care rooms. They also have showers and indoor toilets that will benefit an estimated 7,500 women of childbearing age in these communities.

### Education saves lives

Staff members receive continued training through our projects, and last year, 52 learned about the Essential Newborn Care model. Thanks to this, care providers were able to detect and manage complications that likely saved the lives of 18 newborns who had asphyxia at birth.

Training for 51 staffers on managing childhood illness helped diagnose and successfully treat 1,129 children younger than 5 for malaria, pneumonia, and diarrhea.

Twenty-five community health workers in two Area Programs (AP) learned about the best practices for feeding infants and young children and how to assess and refer children for malnutrition. This helped 224 children to receive proper care for varying levels of malnutrition.

### Cleaner villages provide safer homes

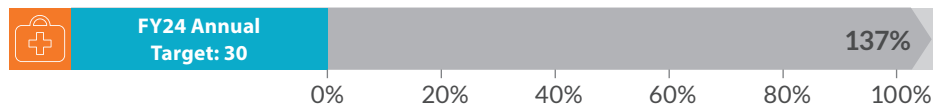
Sanitation education reached 204,410 people, which led to 81,000 households building latrines. And an impressive 330 of 450 villages were certified as free of open defecation, which carries immense health benefits, as it reduces the prevalence of diarrheal illnesses.



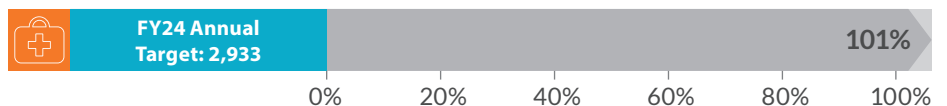
*A health education class at Katukwe Health Post in Zambia teaches parents the safest and healthiest ways to feed and care for their young children. Our programs are making strong efforts to include fathers in these and other classes, which contributed to seeing 3,258 men attending prenatal care visits with their partners.*

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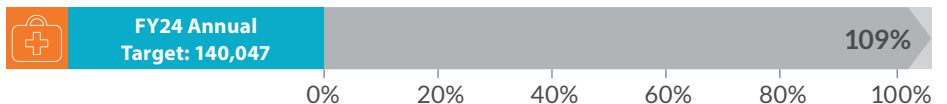
41 clinics gained water systems and other support, such as sanitation/hygiene facilities, staff training, and equipment.



2,964 community health workers and volunteers were actively delivering health information and basic care to their neighbors.



222,075 children were screened and treated for infectious diseases and malnutrition.



226 faith leaders were trained and actively advocating with families to use mother and child healthcare services.



103 nurses, midwives, and other staff members in health facilities received training to improve the quality of care.



# FINANCIALS

## Health Fund

\$24,239,276 program-to-date funding

\$22,323,085 program-to-date spending

92%

*These figures represent funding for programs that began during the Every Last One Campaign and are still in process, as well as programs begun as part of our new campaign during fiscal year 2024 (October 2023 through September 2024).*

## THANK YOU

Because of your faithful support of this work, more families are able to reach the potential that God intends for them. Because you care, they are closer to the fullness of life God wants for all of us (John 10:10).

May you be richly blessed for bringing this help and hope to families that know too well the grief of losing babies, mothers, and young children because they lack the services and care we are accustomed to here in the U.S. Thank you!



Boulounguey Health Center in Niger's Dosso Region now has a water system that feeds a storage tank and is powered by solar energy.



Your support helped build a new maternity wing and a building that houses showers and toilets for patients and staff members at Misengo Health Center in Zambia's Mwamba AP.

For years, the Kapililonga Health Post, which serves about 1,506 people each month in rural Zambia, didn't have reliable access to clean water. Doctors couldn't easily clean their instruments, mothers who'd delivered babies went days before bathing. There were no showers or flushing toilets.

Today, the construction of bathroom facilities, a 2,600-gallon water tower, and 12 water access points have transformed conditions. Diana Mubanga (pictured above), is a midwife at the post, and she decided to have her own baby there. "My delivering at my local health facility inspires confidence in the mothers in the community, and I could hear them say, 'Oh, if the midwife can deliver here, so can I.'"

*"I was sick and you looked after me."*

*—Matthew 25:36 (NIV)*



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