

SUMMARY

Honduran men and women dream of building safe, productive lives for themselves and their families—yet a number of daunting challenges keeps them from being able to do so. “People [migrate] because they feel a lot of pressure coming from violence, mostly from organized crime in the country, but also from lack of opportunities,” shares Jorge (right). “This combination of factors provokes a lack of hope, and that’s the reason people look for opportunities in other places.”

Hope at Home: Honduras seeks to address this type of migration by investing in the assets communities already have, building infrastructure and optimism. In rural locations, we improve health and increase access to

clean water through WASH (see page 2), and we empower entrepreneurs to boost local economies through THRIVE (page 3). In urban areas, we create opportunities for families and children by reducing violence and building hope for the future through Child Protection, Education, and Christian Discipleship programs (pages 4–6).






The Church is a vital partner in this work. Because of Honduras’ rich faith history, churches have a powerful cultural influence. Through our partnerships with more than 12,000 churches, we’re equipping faith leaders to address the root causes of poverty together with their communities.



World Vision’s approach enables us to reach underserved families. “We’re looking for the most vulnerable populations,” says Jorge Galeano, World Vision director for Central America.

PEOPLE REACHED (OCTOBER 2022–SEPTEMBER 2024)

1,235,810 PEOPLE* were empowered with access to essential services in Honduras.

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168,553 people gained access to **clean water** for drinking, better household sanitation, and improved personal hygiene.
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70,092 producer group members were selling value chain products and farmers were using improved tools through **economic empowerment**.
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5,344 caregivers, youth, and children were empowered to identify violence and protect themselves and others through **child protection** projects.
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10,117 young people were equipped with tools and training to enter the workforce through **RISE** (Reaching Independence through Support and Empowerment).
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981,704 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

SUMMARY

The Honduras Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) team’s positive momentum is clear from the year-end results. They finished fiscal year 2024 (FY24) strong, quadrupling the number of people reached since midyear and surpassing most of their annual goals. With your support, we are on track to finish the job of reaching everyone, everywhere we work in Honduras with clean water by 2028. Highlights include:

Clean water

- Constructed and repaired 71 water supply systems (15 with electric pumps, two with solar pumps, and 54 powered by gravity) in 100 communities, reaching 155,368 people with clean water
- Supplied 21,045 households, 112 schools, and 10 healthcare facilities (HCFs) with clean water, improving access, enhancing the education of 12,483 students, and reducing the spread of disease

Sanitation

- Enabled 15 communities to achieve Open Defecation Free status by working with participants to construct 2,329 toilets in households, as well as facilities in 56 schools and 18 HCFs
- Added handwashing stations and menstrual hygiene management rooms at 18 HCFs

Hygiene

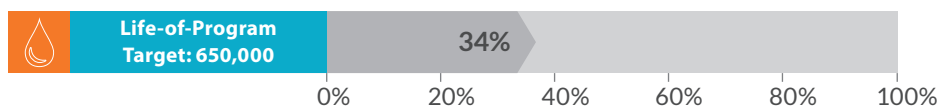
- Trained 5,540 people on personal hygiene and handwashing
- Reached 4,723 school children through WASH UP!, our partnership with Sesame Street, to teach healthy hygiene and sanitation habits, while 1,483 older students learned about puberty and menstrual health through Sesame Street’s Girl Talk curriculum
- Hosted WASH UP! and Girl Talk workshops for 164 teachers at 60 schools and helped them prepare lesson plans for students



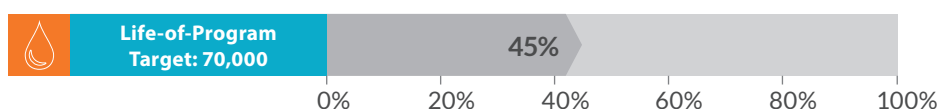
Thanks to a new piped water system in her community, Macruz (above), pictured with her daughter and grandchildren, can wash clothes at home. Adding water points close to homes reduces time spent drawing water for household use and consumption and reduces contamination during transport.

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES (LIFE OF PROGRAM: FY22–FY28)

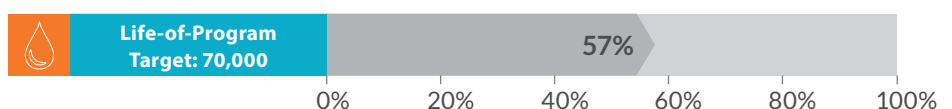
223,469 people now have access to clean water.



31,753 people now have access to household sanitation.



39,608 people now have access to handwashing facilities.



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

SUMMARY

FY24 was the first full year of THRIVE 2030 (Transforming Household Resilience in Vulnerable Environments). To set up for long-term success, we focused on partnerships that will connect farmers with stronger market opportunities.

We are now pursuing partnerships with top market actors including CONAGRO, a supplier to Honduran supermarkets, and the Honduran Coffee Institute, which is the national governing body for the coffee sector.

Successful launch of THRIVE 2030

In FY24, we enrolled 75,158 households (255,958 participants). Now, we're moving into the heart of our programming. Highlights from FY24 include:

- 79 producer groups (1,056 members) grew profitable value chain products, earning \$156,692 from local and national markets.

- 11 producer groups formed relationships with national buyers, including Walmart.

More opportunities with THRIVE Plus

In May, we launched THRIVE Plus, which is designed for producer groups that have matured enough to be ready for more formal—and more profitable—connections with buyers.

We identified 30 groups that are ready to take the next step with THRIVE Plus. These groups will be equipped to negotiate with top-level buyers to maximize profits and create long-term relationships.

Connecting with competitive markets

In FY24, 30 staff members from THRIVE Plus and THRIVE 2030 were trained in inclusive market systems development, an approach to equip small producer groups to succeed in competitive markets.



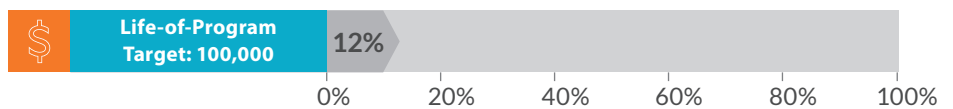
Before THRIVE, the APROVAN producer group grew only corn and beans using traditional methods. Profits were dismal.

THRIVE equipped the group to find ways to accelerate their progress. To start, they built greenhouses to grow jalapeños. Additional training helped them begin selling to more established buyers offering more stable—and higher—prices.

So far, APROVAN has sold about 145,000 pounds of jalapeños, worth about \$25,700.

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES (LIFE OF PROGRAM: FY24–FY30)

12,435 people were trained in Biblical Empowered Worldview. (FY24 target: 10,000)



2,581 people are participating in savings groups. (FY24 target: 2,000)



1,056 people have received market knowledge and access training. (FY24 target: 1,000)



Note: Because FY24 was the first full year of THRIVE 2030, we invested the majority of our time on foundational activities including registration and staff training. In FY25–FY30, we will shift our focus to the core activities shown above and progress will accelerate.

CHILD PROTECTION

SUMMARY

When it comes to protecting children, we're committed to a holistic approach by directly equipping children, as well as their parents, caregivers, and community leaders.

Creating safe spaces

Fifty communities have developed Child Protection Committees to implement violence prevention plans. These plans tackle the root causes of violence, fostering learning and recreation in a variety of ways, such as providing school kits to vulnerable students, promoting self-care through film forums, and installing restrooms in schools.

Further, 10 parcels of land have been converted into recreation areas for children and youth. While previously, the properties were either abandoned or neglected, today, they offer friendly, multipurpose spaces for young people to engage in art, culture, and sports.

Giving children tools to thrive

Now implemented in 30 communities, Friendly Spaces is a curriculum

that equips children ages 6 to 9 in four areas: self-esteem, leadership, resilience, and positive relationships. Recently, a focus group of 358 children (including 183 girls) who participated in Friendly Spaces took part in a survey. Of those, 96% showed knowledge and mastery in the four areas of focus, demonstrating considerable impact.

"I learned to manage my emotions through the wheel of emotions," says Luna, who participated in Friendly Spaces. "I also learned about my personal space, my private space where I could only be me. I thank World Vision for the learning [that I] received."

Additionally 110 adult leaders (99 of whom were women) received training to facilitate Friendly Spaces in their own communities.

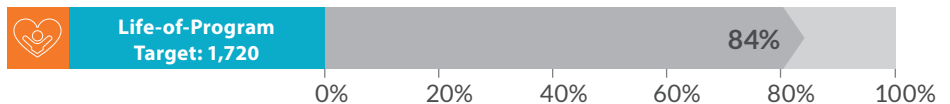


"I grew up in an urban area where I witnessed daily the needs, struggles, and challenges we face as a community and as young people. In 2019, World Vision's Fostering Hope project came into my life. This was a turning point, as I realized that ... fighting for the rights and well-being of others could become a reality through my participation."

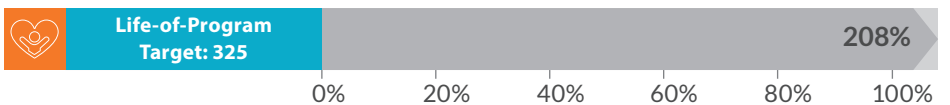
—Keyrin, 19, the first in her family to graduate from high school, shown marching for children's rights

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

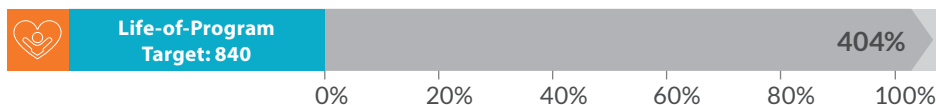
1,444 parents and caregivers received training in positive parenting techniques.



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



3,391 children took significant actions to advance the end of violence against children.



SUMMARY

In Honduras, RISE (Reaching Independence through Support and Empowerment) achieved significant milestones by piloting Teen Ready and expanding Youth Ready to include incarcerated youth preparing for reintegration into their communities.

Teen Ready

In FY24, 16 teachers trained in Teen Ready taught 533 students ages 12 to 17 (including 26 youth with disabilities) across 12 middle schools nationwide. The methodology is undergoing validation by the Honduran Ministry of Education, with ongoing discussions to incorporate it into the national curriculum. This move aims to broaden coverage and maximize impact.

Youth Ready

A total of 1,098 youth completed the Youth Ready curriculum, including 44 with disabilities and 69 from diverse ethnic groups. Additionally, the program expanded to include 68 incarcerated youth, providing them with support to reintegrate into their communities, positive opportunities to contribute to society, and a vision for a future free from harmful influences. Each graduate pursued one of three pathways: entrepreneurship, employment, or education. In the employment pathway,

155 youth received job placement assistance, resulting in 136 internships and 43 jobs. In the education pathway, 128 youth reentered formal and non-formal education systems through partnerships with schools, universities, and vocational training centers. Support included tuition, education kits, and scholarships, such as 35 full scholarships from CEUTEC University for technical programs, each valued at \$5,825.

In the entrepreneurship pathway, 158 youth launched ventures in commerce, production, and services. Through the Emprendemia Initiative, participants received training and support to create innovative projects that drive social and economic development in their communities, highlighting entrepreneurship as a catalyst for progress and community engagement.

Key partnerships

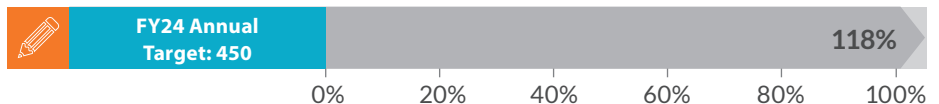
RISE has garnered the support of partners like Pathway to the Future, FUNÁZUCAR, Children International, and municipal governments in El Progreso, Jutiapa, and Danlí. These partners are committed to replicating the Youth Ready methodology, enhancing skills for youth ages 15 to 29, and further empowering them as agents of change in their families and communities.



Jennifer Jackeline Valle Espinal, from Danlí, lives with osteogenesis imperfecta, or “crystal bones.” She shares, “Because of this disability, I’m afraid to be among many people.” After joining Youth Ready, Jennifer gained both confidence and skills to interact with those around her with more ease. “Youth Ready taught me how to communicate with others, something I didn’t know before.” Now, she dreams of entrepreneurship and inspiring others: “If I was able to do it with a disability, I know many others can, too. There is no obstacle we cannot overcome.”

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES (FY24)

533 adolescents (ages 12 to 17) participated in Teen Ready.



1,098 youth (ages 15 to 29) graduated from Youth Ready.



CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

SUMMARY

In FY24, our Christian Discipleship program made incredible progress, reaching—and often *surpassing*—many targets.

Reaching parents with Christ’s love

During FY24, 2,749 faith leaders from 215 churches offered Parenting with Tenderness trainings to 13,379 parents, guardians, and caregivers. These classes incorporate exercises that invite participants to explore their own experiences and emotions. As they encounter the Lord’s tenderness, many participants experience inner healing, releasing emotional burdens and transforming harmful behavior patterns. This enables them to build a culture of peace and healthy coexistence in their home.

A study we recently conducted with Fuller Institute showed that parents hitting children as a form of discipline decreased by 47% after participating in Celebrating Families, a World Vision program that shares many principles with Parenting with Tenderness.

When it comes to empowering caregivers, Parenting with Tenderness and similar approaches work.

Reaching children with Christ’s love

This fiscal year, 215 churches and 61 educational centers adapted World Vision’s trainings in tenderness and values to use as curriculum for weekly Sunday school, catechism, and children’s ministries lessons. As a result, they reached 32,875 children with messages about God’s love. In this way, children who participate deepen their relationship with Christ as well as their sense of belonging in their congregation. The lessons also encourage hope for the future, healthy interactions with their peers, and peaceful, loving relationships with family members.

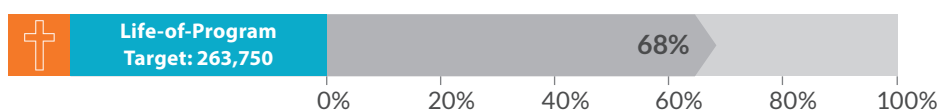
Martha Peraza, who works at a child development center, reflects, “[World Vision] helps us to have more tools to care for children who suffer violence and do not know the love of God.”



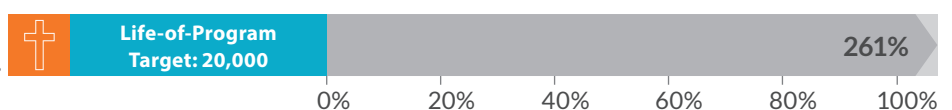
Nellis Cárcamo (above, on left) always felt a great deal of affection for her son and the children she instructed at her church—but she struggled to show her care. After attending a tenderness training, Nellis recognized the harsh treatment she experienced during childhood. “Serving people has been part of my life,” she says, adding that she now knows how to express the love she feels.

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

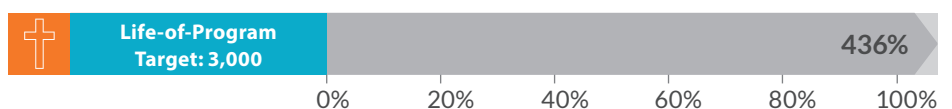
180,212 children and youth are hearing about their purpose and identity in Christ.



52,870 parents and caregivers learned ways to create caring, supportive home environments.



13,202 church leaders were equipped to protect children and shepherd their faith.





VOICES OF HOPE

We praise God that more and more people in Honduras—from those we serve to volunteers to staff—are experiencing the love of Christ, investing in their country, and finding hope for the future:

“This project brings hope, brings joy, and, above all, brings love, to children and vulnerable people, showing them the mercy of our Heavenly Father, encouraging them to be like Him, [and] giving help and support to all equally.”

—Juan Jose Lopez, project technician

“The project is transformative in the lives of the people we reach in each of the training sessions we provide, transformation processes that also impact our lives by witnessing the power of God to mark new generations.”

—Wendy Martinez, project technician

“I am very happy with the enormous support of World Vision Honduras, with ... its outreach to the children and youth of our community that has come to strengthen their capacities.”

—Jorge Alexander Marquez Cruz, volunteer facilitator

In 89 churches across Honduras, 4,032 young people gather weekly to receive training and be empowered as future leaders through activities like praying for one another, mentoring younger children, and organizing neighborhood clean-ups. Here, youth from one church add their handprints in colorful paints to symbolize the culture of peace they seek to build among themselves and in their community.

THANK YOU

Your prayers and generosity are making a difference in Honduras—for today and the days to come. Thank you for your uplifting partnership and support!

We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.

Psalm 33:20

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