



# **ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT**

October 2023-September 2024 | Sudan Crisis Response

## **SUMMARY**

Fighting that broke out in Sudan's capital city of Khartoum in April 2023 quickly escalated into a long-term conflict that has created the largest displacement crisis in the world. Over 13 million people have been forced from their homes. Sudan is also enduring the largest hunger crisis in the world, with nearly 26 million people experiencing acute food insecurity, hunger, and malnutrition. This is over half the population.

The Sudan crisis feels forgotten by most of the world, and the response is grossly underfunded. But World Vision is one of the largest humanitarian agencies in Sudan, having worked there for decades. Since the conflict began in 2023, we have reached over 2.8 million people with emergency assistance including food, healthcare, and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services. This includes people in Sudan as well

as refugees in South Sudan, Chad, the Central African Republic, and Ethiopia—most of them women and children.

Protection of children and women is an urgent priority, due to rising reports of exploitation and genderbased violence. We care for survivors by providing medical, psychosocial, and transportation support, along with referrals for further action and follow-up. World Vision staff also conduct awareness sessions on early marriage, exploitation, violence against women, and female genital mutilation. And, with support from UNICEF, we are offering safe spaces for children to cope with trauma and continue learning by establishing Child-Friendly Spaces.

The following page highlights our work in light of each of the response's four strategic objectives.



For Kaltoum and her family, who abandoned their house because of the war, the journey to Chad was terrifying. As they fled from Sudan, Kaltoum covered her son Adoum's eyes so he wouldn't see the dead bodies they had to pass. World Vision's response prioritizes protection and psychosocial care for women and children.

# **PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES SINCE RESPONSE BEGAN IN APRIL 2023**

2,812,526

**PEOPLE,** including 1,518,452 children, have been reached with aid.



573,235

people have been reached with food assistance, and we've distributed more than 15 million pounds of food.



314,109

people have been provided with access to clean water.



76,001

children have benefited from mental health and psychosocial activities.

## SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

#### 1) Increase access to food and other basic needs

As the World Food Programme's largest distribution partner, we have delivered life-saving food to over 573,000 people. We also provide cash assistance where possible, so people can buy food where it's available and support economies in host countries. To date, we have reached:

- 251,417 people with cash voucher programs
- 71,838 people with non-food items such as blankets, cooking utensils, and mosquito nets
- 8,829 people with shelter and protection kits, to offer safety and dignity to those living in camps or host communities



In addition to providing clean water, World Vision is working to prevent outbreaks of diseases such as cholera, dengue, measles, and malaria, which pose a growing threat to children, particularly in overcrowded shelters and sites with poor water, sanitation, and hygiene. To combat these risks, we have provided:

- 116,863 people with emergency hygiene education to prevent the spread of disease, promoting behaviors like handwashing, safe water usage, and proper sanitation
- 65,068 people with access to sanitation and hygiene facilities
- 30,310 people with WASH kits including, buckets, soap, and hygiene products

## 3) Provide access to emergency health and nutrition services

Access to healthcare is a major concern, as one in every 11 health facilities is not functioning. World Vision is providing free health and nutrition services—including support for malnutrition recovery—through partner organizations and mobile clinics. Since April 2023, we have reached:

- 189,481 people with health services
- 146,909 people with nutrition services

# 4) Protect women and children through mental health and psychosocial support

Psychosocial support is critical for women and children who have experienced trauma, violence, and exploitation. Since April 2023, we have provided:

- 74,807 people with gender-based violence response services
- 27,095 parents and caregivers with child protection training
- 13,785 people with mental health services

## **OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER**

Please pray for an end to violence, that children and their families will be protected from the effects of conflict, that World Vision and other organizations will be able to raise the resources needed to respond, and for the safety and stamina of World Vision staff.



Students gather for school at the Farchana refugee camp in Chad. So many children are eager to attend school that some classes have to be held under trees outside. Abdulrashid, the school director, jokes, "If I had more trees I'd have more students."

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

-Psalm 34:18





(Top photo) Tahani, 20, sits with her severely malnourished, 21-month-old twins, Adam and Adeeb, at a nutrition and rehabilitation center in Farchana, Chad in May, 2024. They found strength through support—including nutrient-rich food—at a health center run by a World Vision partner.

(Bottom photo) The twins, pictured in September 2024, are no longer in a critical state of malnutrition. They are healthier, active, and smiling. Adam and Adeeb are being monitored during their recovery by World Vision staff.

# **THANK YOU**

Thank you for helping us reach children like Adam and Adeeb with life-saving care. Giving generously is an act of faith in God, trusting that He will use our gifts to bring hope to families who have endured so much. May God bless you for stepping out in faith and allowing us to serve people in desperate need.



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