

## SUMMARY

Devastating flooding triggered a severe humanitarian crisis in Somalia in late 2023, making essential services, including healthcare, largely unavailable. The recurrent flooding added to Somalia’s ongoing political instability, conflict, land degradation, and drought.

From October 2023 through May 2024, our flood incident monitoring platform reported 451,951 people affected by floods in the program area. The crisis led to loss of livelihoods, extreme food insecurity, poverty, and large-scale displacement. Many households are unable to meet basic needs in nutrition, healthcare, education, and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH).

Through support from our NextGen initiative, World Vision provides lifesaving humanitarian assistance to communities in the states of Jubaland, Hirshabelle, and Galmudug. In FY24, we served 18,688 people with activities addressing health and nutrition, protection, and WASH.

NextGen funding helped us secure \$9.7 million from other donors, mostly from the Dutch Relief Alliance, European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO), and World Food Programme. The leveraged impact enabled us to reach

an additional 542,505 participants in Somalia.

### Meeting health and nutrition needs

In collaboration with the ministries of health in Hirshabelle and Jubaland, World Vision established two mobile emergency teams to provide free primary healthcare services for the most affected and vulnerable communities. Our mobile teams provided:

- Medical services to 464 people, including 197 children
- Care during and after pregnancy for 187 women
- Health screenings to 265 people, including 164 children and 101 pregnant and lactating women

### Improving WASH services

NextGen support helped us to:

- Rehabilitate four shallow wells to serve 2,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs)
- Rehabilitate two shallow well aprons to benefit 1,000 people
- Construct three water kiosks with pipeline extensions to help 4,500 people, including 3,000 IDPs
- Begin procuring materials to build more kiosks and extend the pipeline



*When two of Asha’s nine children became sick, she could have despaired. “I didn’t have any money to buy them proper drugs. But now that has been covered by World Vision and I’m so grateful,” she said.*

*Asha and her family were among the displaced people in Hirshabelle who benefited from World Vision’s NextGen initiative, which aims to save lives in the most vulnerable communities.*

*NextGen also helps those in recently liberated communities to access basic services, rebuild, and recover from drought, floods, and displacement due to conflicts. “Our healthcare has improved a lot since World Vision and other partners started implementing this project,” Asha said.*

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- Distribute menstrual hygiene management kits to 200 girls
- Distribute hygiene kits to households, reaching 1,800 IDPs
- Build 50 ventilated improved pit latrines

### Building staff capacity and funding opportunities

World Vision conducted a feasibility study in Afmadow and Dhobley districts in Jubaland to assess the viability of our operations. This helped us understand the local political, social, and security dynamics, as well as analyze the existing infrastructure, services, and resources. We also evaluated potential risks and identified possible service providers and office spaces.

We have used private funding to build our technical capacity and expand our work geographically. This has better positioned us to gain funding from more donors, especially in Galmudug and Hirshabelle.

World Vision has been recommended and preselected for a competitive funding opportunity from ECHO's humanitarian implementation plan that targets hard-to-reach areas in Jubaland.

We are upgrading our office and warehouse facilities in Luuq District in Jubaland to withstand severe weather and prevent flood damage.



*A child in Jowhar District in Hirshabelle is screened for malnutrition by our mobile team providing free healthcare. Among other services, the team conducted comprehensive nutrition screenings to identify and address the needs of children under age 5.*

*The team diagnosed severe malnutrition in 31 children, who were then admitted to an outpatient therapeutic clinic. Another 54 children were diagnosed with moderate malnutrition and referred to a targeted supplementary feeding program managed by other partners of the World Food Programme.*

## PLANS FOR THE COMING MONTHS

- We plan to increase awareness about gender-based violence for IDPs and residents of host communities.
- World Vision will continue helping 60 youth who are unaccompanied and separated from their parents or primary caregivers due to conflict, natural disasters, or other crises. We will work to identify them and reunite them with their families or support foster families to care for them.
- We will distribute portable solar lanterns to vulnerable households and those headed by women.
- We will provide dignity kits with essential hygiene products for 160 girls to improve their well-being and help them stay in school.

## THANK YOU

While Somalia's needs are urgent and enormous, NextGen support continues to make a vital impact, thanks to your partnership. Your generosity is helping World Vision serve children and families in hard-to-reach and severely impacted places, meet healthcare and other critical needs, and provide essential hope.



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