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## Progress Report

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*“The parched ground will become a pool, and springs of water will satisfy the thirsty land.”*

*—Isaiah 35:7 (NLT)*

Clean water, healthy kids: A family transformed in Ghana

Akousa has four children and supports her family by processing and selling food, like cassava, which is peeled and cleaned for market. Keeping her children healthy and her business running required access to clean water, which her village of Kradenteh didn’t have.

Villagers made long walks to a river to carry home water that was contaminated, and made the children sick. “My children were constantly sick with stomach aches and diarrhea. I couldn’t process our food properly. Most of my time was spent at the health center instead of working,” Akousa said.

Then World Vision stepped in. We constructed a mechanized water system with eight delivery points, bringing clean water directly to the village. “Now that we have access to clean water, we can wash and process healthy food,” Akousa said. “Our children are no longer falling sick all the time. I have more time to work and support my family,” she added.

In the photo, Akousa and daughter Nilemocha wash cassava in clean water made possible by donors like you.







## GLOBAL SUMMARY

This report celebrates progress made in the first six months of the final year of our Global Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Business Plan (fiscal years 2021–2025). Globally, we have now reached 32.8 million people with clean water access since 2016, exceeding the population of Texas. World Vision continues to be the leading nongovernmental provider of clean water.

We are now two and a half years into our eight-year commitment to reach 30 million people with clean water access between 2023 and 2030 and have reached 7.3 million people toward that goal.

With the generous support of our donors in the first half of FY25, we reached 1,092,986 people with clean water (126% of target), saw 829,036 people gain improved sanitation (114% of target), and supported construction of handwashing facilities being used by 1,046,443 people (107% of target).

Our results were strong across all regions, with only a few exceptions, including West Africa not meeting targets for sanitation and hygiene due to procurement delays and some reduced funding.

In Rwanda, although we completed our commitment last fiscal year to reach everyone, everywhere we work in 39 sectors of the country, the team kept going, moving to new areas and reaching more people—132,426—with clean water access than in any other country in our business plan.

Our next Finish the Job effort in Africa is in Zambia, where we had the second-largest impact of any country by reaching 109,583 people. We have now reached 873,825 people, exceeding our original commitment to reach 800,000, and anticipate completing the work next fiscal year to reach everyone, everywhere we work in 29 areas of the country.

In Honduras, we aim to finish the job by 2028, reaching 650,000 people across 49 municipalities. To date, we've reached 279,325 people—43% of our total commitment. We celebrate that the government has officially confirmed universal coverage in 16

municipalities, with final verification currently underway by the World Vision team. To complete the work in Honduras, we still need to raise an additional \$18.5 million.

We now seek to finish the job in Ghana by reaching 700,000 people in 23 districts by 2032 and upgrading 500 schools and 200 healthcare facilities. This new commitment will require \$80 million from U.S. donors.

In alignment with our business plan goals to enhance water supply services, only 2% of water points were hand pumps, while 20% were community taps and 78% were household connections. To support the sustainability and quality of these systems, we established and trained 1,591 water committees (114% of target) and saw 2,416 businesses (184% of target) actively involved in repairing water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities and providing relevant products.

We achieved significant impact at healthcare facilities and schools, providing 123 health centers (88% of target) and 391 schools (108% of target) with access to water. We also equipped 252 health facilities (101% of target) and 723 schools (103% of target) with handwashing stations. We are on track with our commitment to upgrade 3,000 healthcare clinics by 2030, having upgraded 955 facilities so far.

Recognizing their influence in the community, we trained 4,504 faith leaders (216% of target) on hygiene and sanitation behaviors. Empowering women is still a top priority. In the first half of FY25, we saw 775 women become active in businesses related to our water efforts and 1,249 women trained in advocacy, furthering our commitment to giving women a voice in development that so heavily impacts their lives.

Your partnership enables us to be the hands of Jesus, extending life-changing—and often lifesaving—water, sanitation, and hygiene services to the most vulnerable. Together, we are making a profound difference in the lives of millions.

# GLOBAL REACH

**1,092,986 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water\**

**829,036 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**1,046,443 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## FY25 SEMIANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

22,327 water points built

FY25 semiannual target: 18,263

122%

148,988 sanitation facilities built

FY25 semiannual target: 165,494

90%

211,314 household handwashing facilities built

FY25 semiannual target: 171,361

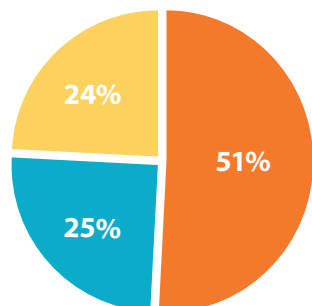
123%

1,591 WASH committees formed

FY25 semiannual target: 1,396

114%

## FY25 SEMIANNUAL SPENDING



**\$68 MILLION** spent on global WASH programs during the first half of FY25

- World Vision U.S. and Other World Vision Offices – Private Funding (\$34.9 million)
- World Vision U.S. and Other World Vision Offices – Sponsorship (\$16.8 million)
- Government, International, Local – Grants and Resource Development (\$16.1 million)

\* This figure includes all water participants (1,092,986) in the first half of FY25. Of these, 490,299 were reached with World Vision U.S. private funding. These 490,299 people with access to water represent many of the same participants who received access to sanitation and household handwashing facilities.



## GLOBAL ACHIEVEMENTS

World Vision uses indicator tracking tables (ITTs) to monitor the success and progress of our programs. Below is the Global WASH ITT for the first half of FY25. As seen below, many annual targets were met or exceeded.

OUTCOMES AND OUTPUTS	FY25 Semiannual Target (Global)	East Africa (Achieved)	Southern Africa (Achieved)	West Africa (Achieved)	Latin America and Caribbean (Achieved)	Asia-Pacific (Achieved)	Middle East (Achieved)	FY25 Semiannual Achieved (Global)	Achieved vs. Target (Global)
<b>Water Supply and Security</b>									
People reached with safer, more accessible drinking water	867,274	513,933	283,137	150,813	69,905	48,587	26,611	1,092,986	126%
Children reached with safer, more accessible drinking water in schools	111,827	60,335	51,656	9,606	8,574	16,366	2,455	148,992	133%
Successful boreholes completed and commissioned in communities, schools, and health centers	298	20	400	32	0	85	0	537	180%
Taps installed from successful water supply systems in communities, schools, and health centers	17,965	3,953	3,212	1,074	10,712	1,785	1,054	21,790	121%
Nonfunctioning water points rehabilitated in communities, schools, and health centers	747	284	94	105	7,935	2,617	11	11,046	1479%
Schools gaining access to safer drinking water on site	362	107	80	28	85	85	6	391	108%
Healthcare facilities gaining access to a basic drinking water service	140	59	14	24	6	9	11	123	88%
<b>Sanitation and Hygiene</b>									
People gaining access to household sanitation	725,129	323,257	350,377	87,298	13,787	54,023	294	829,036	114%
People gaining access to handwashing facilities	982,233	407,483	359,280	216,557	18,292	43,265	1,566	1,046,443	107%
Children gaining access to sanitation facilities in schools	85,438	31,319	58,813	12,228	3,849	12,183	2,455	120,847	141%
Children gaining access to handwashing facilities in schools	174,944	73,781	99,283	61,062	3,554	9,985	2,455	250,120	143%
Schools gaining access to sex-separated, basic sanitation services (that comply with required ratios)	282	59	77	29	21	52	6	244	87%
Schools gaining access to improved sanitation for children/youth with limited mobility	283	64	65	35	23	21	6	214	76%
Schools gaining access to improved sanitation for girls, with facilities to manage menstrual hygiene	273	57	71	22	24	40	6	220	81%
Schools gaining access to basic handwashing facilities	702	188	183	268	29	49	6	723	103%
Healthcare facilities gaining access to a basic sanitation service	130	29	9	11	7	3	8	67	52%
Healthcare facilities gaining access to basic handwashing facilities	249	68	89	66	2	18	9	252	101%
<b>Governance and Finance</b>									
WASH committees formed and trained with a financing system in place for maintenance and repair	1,396	346	462	268	105	387	23	1,591	114%
Local businesses active in repair of WASH facilities and provision of WASH products	1,313	910	409	419	97	581	0	2,416	184%
Faith leaders trained to promote safe WASH practices	2,086	1,677	1,138	1,012	463	196	18	4,504	216%
Schools trained in planning and budgeting for WASH services	697	122	63	142	3	217	4	551	79%
<b>WASH in Emergency Settings</b>									
People with access to emergency drinking water supplies	0	48,594	48,601	23,517	0	13,379	0	134,091	N/A
People with access to emergency hygiene supplies	0	57,167	14,793	62,382	3,564	52,782	6,460	197,148	N/A
People with access to emergency sanitation systems	0	29,996	72,723	9,098	0	4,955	0	116,772	N/A
People with access to appropriate solid-waste disposal facilities	0	8,682	280	2,100	0	0	0	11,062	N/A

# GLOBAL MAP



## WORLD VISION'S WASH PROGRAM REGIONS & COUNTRIES IN 2025:

### ASIA-PACIFIC

BANGLADESH  
CAMBODIA  
INDONESIA  
LAOS  
MYANMAR  
PAPUA NEW GUINEA  
SOLOMON ISLANDS  
SRI LANKA  
VIET NAM

### LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

EL SALVADOR  
GUATEMALA  
HAITI  
HONDURAS  
NICARAGUA

### MIDDLE EAST

AFGHANISTAN  
IRAQ

### EAST AFRICA

BURUNDI  
ETHIOPIA  
KENYA  
RWANDA  
SOMALIA  
SOUTH SUDAN  
SUDAN  
TANZANIA  
UGANDA

### SOUTHERN AFRICA

ANGOLA  
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC  
OF THE CONGO  
ESWATINI  
LESOTHO  
MALAWI  
MOZAMBIQUE  
ZAMBIA  
ZIMBABWE

### WEST AFRICA

BURKINA FASO  
CENTRAL AFRICAN  
REPUBLIC  
CHAD  
GHANA  
MALI  
MAURITANIA  
NIGER  
SENEGAL  
SIERRA LEONE



# PARTNERSHIPS UPDATE



## charity: water

### charity: water

- Partner since 2012
- Areas of focus: WASH infrastructure, sanitation and hygiene promotion
- Locations: Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, and Niger

The 2024 grants in Mali, Mozambique, and Niger (totaling \$6.3 million) were completed in February and March 2025. In Niger, 46,128 people gained access to clean water from 97 water points; in Mali, 43,145 people now have clean water from 139 water points; and in Mozambique, 65,752 people are using clean water from 113 water points. These countries launched new grants in February and March, with Mali approved for \$2.3 million, Niger for \$1.7 million, and Mozambique for \$1.6 million.

A \$900,000 Malawi project, which started in August 2024, completed its third quarter. Favorable exchange rate fluctuations led to funding for an additional four water points, bringing the total to 70. The Malawi team has submitted a proposal for another \$900,000 grant, and work should begin on that project in August 2025.



### Children's Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF)

- Partner since 2018
- Areas of focus: WASH and health
- Location: Ethiopia

The \$79.8 million Water4Life+ project began in 2022 with the target of reaching 1.6 million people over five years, targeting schools, health facilities, and communities with clean water through 396 wells, 50 capped springs, and rehabilitating 48 existing water systems. World Vision has drilled more than

135 wells and completed 65 water supply systems benefiting 72 schools and 43 health facilities. The project restarted in April 2024 after an extended pause. Since then, we have completed 31 water systems reaching 28 schools and 18 health facilities. The remaining work will be completed by the end of May 2025.

A new two-year effort to complete 54 drilled and capped wells was developed and contract discussions are underway. A drilling rig plan has received positive feedback from CIFF and we hope this will lead to using the rigs for WASH programming beyond the districts currently served by the Water4Life+ project.



### Conrad N. Hilton Foundation

- Partner since 1990
- Areas of focus: Water supply, WASH in health facilities, governance, and finance
- Locations: Ethiopia, Ghana, Mali, and Niger

In Ghana, the project team and the Asutifi North District Assembly worked with water service provider PEC to conduct technical and financial audits for six water supply systems. Recommendations were made to strengthen the sustainability of the six systems before handover to a private operator/utility.

A technical working group that includes national-level stakeholders finalized the structure and operating guidelines for the Drinking Water Sustainability Fund. The group also identified pre-qualified financial service providers to administer the fund.

The project team collaborated with the municipal assembly to assess and rehabilitate eight nonfunctioning boreholes installed by other partners, restoring clean water to 2,000 people.

In the Ethiopia SAFE4HCF project, efforts are progressing toward installing new handwashing facilities and latrines, and 105 health facility staff members were trained to improve their skills in reducing facility-associated infections.



### Desert Research Institute (DRI) and Drexel University

- Partners since 2014
- Area of focus: Capacity building
- Locations: Africa WASH Program countries, plus Afghanistan, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Nicaragua, and Papua New Guinea

In FY25, 71 students enrolled in the WASH Capacity Building Program—36 through DRI and 35 through Drexel—representing 35 countries across our global partnership. In the current phase of the partnership, DRI launched professional development courses, including one in Zambia on groundwater development and management in January 2025. Thirty-three participants engaged in theoretical learning and a practical, hands-on session focused on drilling management and supervision.

The WASH Capacity Building Program is entering the final year of its current contract, which has been extended through 2025. Cohorts 1–9 (DRI) and cohorts 1–11 (Drexel) have trained participants from 36 countries. A total of 521 students have successfully completed the program through FY24—270 through DRI (23% women, 77% men) and 251 through Drexel (40% women, 60% men).

In August 2024, the WASHCap Steering Committee convened to explore the direction for the program's next phase. Stakeholder consultations are ongoing, a draft framework for the FY26–30 program cycle has been proposed, and our partners are working on the plans and content. This work will be discussed in the next steering committee meeting.

## PARTNERSHIPS UPDATE, CONTINUED



### Golf Fore Africa

- Partner since 2012
- Areas of focus: Water supply, sanitation, hygiene promotion
- Location: Zambia

Golf Fore Africa closed its doors in April 2025 after being a loyal partner for 15 years. During that time, it funded more than \$18 million in WASH projects across Africa, focusing primarily on Zambia. Improvements include 550 hand pumps, 94 piped-water systems at schools and healthcare facilities, and providing 12 health facilities with maternity wings and full WASH packages. Its final donation of \$1.4 million in FY25 will fund the remaining institutional WASH needs in Mufumbwe and Manyinga Area Programs (APs) (two health centers and three schools), to achieve universal coverage in communities, schools, and health facilities. It also funded eight hand pumps in Nkeyema AP.



### GivePower

- Partner since 2023
- Areas of focus: WASH and energy, desalination
- Locations: Kenya, Tanzania, and Zambia

GivePower is a leading provider of desalination water treatment systems and solar energy solutions in developing countries worldwide. The organization has become a trusted partner in designing, vetting, and overseeing the energy component of this work. World Vision and GivePower completed work on our first joint microgrid project in Chikwa, Zambia, which enabled 24-hour water supply, electrification of health facilities and

schools, and outdoor lighting in the new market built by the community. On the heels of this success, we have started design work for two additional microgrid projects that will break ground later this year.

We continue to look for opportunities within World Vision programming to introduce GivePower's desalination technology when the water quality is too challenging for traditional programming approaches.



### Grundfos

- Partner since 2015
- Area of focus: Water supply
- Locations: Chad, DRC, Ethiopia, Ghana, Honduras, India, Kenya, Lesotho, Mali, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Somalia, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe

Grundfos continues to reinforce its commitment to provide technical support by working locally to improve procurement processes, training, and capacity building. Grundfos has been supporting our teams in the use of in-line chlorinators to improve water safety. It also continues to develop tailored technical training to build our global capacity to improve design and construction of piped-water systems.

**iDE**

Powering  
entrepreneurs  
to end poverty.

### iDE (International Development Enterprises)

- Partner since 2023
- Areas of focus: Market-based sanitation and hygiene, research and learning
- Locations: Burundi, Ghana, Mozambique, and Zambia

With a strong evidence base, the right

product and service mix, and a deep understanding of local markets, the iDE partnership is enabling World Vision to achieve sustainable gains in sanitation coverage and attract much-needed investment in the sector to accelerate universal access to WASH. We are collaborating in four countries to develop innovative approaches to sanitation and hygiene aligning with the four pillars of World Vision's sanitation and hygiene strategy: creating demand, improving supply, strengthening governance, and expanding financing.

Phase 3 began in April in Mozambique and was scheduled to begin in May in Ghana and in June in Zambia. Based on the insights from the first two phases, which encompassed detailed desk research, sanitation strategy experimentation, and early testing of promising approaches, Phase 3 will target interventions across the four pillars of sanitation and hygiene strategy. A key focus area in Mozambique will be new, market-ready latrine products, while a focus in Ghana will be on financing, using a revolving fund and installment payment options through sanitation entrepreneurs.

Burundi is completing field testing, which will conclude in October 2025. One area of focus is on emptying latrine pits and fecal sludge management for farming communities that want to safely reuse waste for agricultural purposes.





## PARTNERSHIPS UPDATE, CONTINUED



**LONDON  
SCHOOL of  
HYGIENE  
& TROPICAL  
MEDICINE**



### **London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM)**

Partners since 2022

Areas of focus: Sanitation, hygiene, behavior change

Locations: Ethiopia, Malawi

### **Malawi University of Business and Applied Science (MUBAS)**

Partners since 2022

Areas of focus: Sanitation, hygiene, behavior change

Location: Malawi

LSHTM/MUBAS have been learning partners on the Chiradzulu WASH4Everyone project, which successfully brought universal access to water, sanitation, and hygiene to an entire district in Malawi. The WASH4Everyone project was completed in December, and our partners have been completing analysis of endline data and providing suggestions for future improvements. Building on their findings from the prior reporting period, they have confirmed the cost-effectiveness of World Vision's approach to sanitation. They found that even when lower-quality toilets are built, the time saved compared to open defecation made these interventions economically cost-effective. They also have shown that while achieving higher-quality sanitation will take more investment from World Vision, the cost-effectiveness of these interventions is three to four times as much, justifying the continued expansion of such efforts.



### **P&G**

- Partner since 2007
- Areas of focus: Water treatment and purification, hygiene promotion, emergency response
- Locations: Bangladesh, Cambodia, El Salvador, Ghana, Honduras, Kenya, Malawi, Mali, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Niger, Philippines, Senegal, and Zimbabwe

World Vision continues to provide P&G Purifier of Water packets and filtration materials to ensure families have clean drinking water in communities, schools, healthcare facilities, and in emergency settings. There are 13 active projects with three additional countries (Mauritania, Malawi, and Viet Nam) working on proposals for projects that could begin later in FY25.

We use a bridge strategy, where packets and training on safe water treatment are provided to communities in the short term, while they wait for a permanent, sustainable water source. In the previous Kenya project, 24% of project participants (or 21,879 people) transitioned from using packets to using a water system, while in Ghana, 20% of participants (or 8,575 people) transitioned to an improved water system.



### **Sesame Workshop**

- Partner since 2015
- Areas of focus: WASH in schools, behavior change, menstrual health
- Locations: Afghanistan, El Salvador, Ghana, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Iraq, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Syria, Zambia, Zimbabwe

World Vision's partnership with Sesame Workshop continues to thrive, with WASH UP! and Girl Talk programming progressing steadily through the first half of 2025. Since launching in Zimbabwe in 2019—and with recent Girl Talk expansion into El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Kenya—nearly 64,000 children have been reached with vital education on puberty and menstrual health.

Looking ahead, 2026 will mark the 10th anniversary of our formal partnership with Sesame Workshop. In preparation, we are using 2025 to review our collaboration and explore opportunities to scale WASH UP! and Girl Talk more effectively. In June, a virtual meeting will bring together Sesame Workshop, World Vision U.S., and country program representatives to reflect on lessons learned and chart a path forward. These discussions, which began during the 2025 WASH Forum in Ghana, will focus on how best to grow our impact in today's evolving programmatic and funding landscape.



### **Strong Women Strong World/Clean Water Here**

- Partners since 2021
- Areas of focus: WASH, women and girls' empowerment, economic empowerment
- Locations: Guatemala, Honduras, Kenya, and Zimbabwe

As we enter the final year of the first phase of Strong Women Strong World: Beyond Access (SWSW:BA), we are celebrating effective implementation and meaningful impact on women's lives. SWSW:BA is now recognized as a model for women-centered design under World Vision's new WASH Business Plan, offering a blueprint

## PARTNERSHIPS UPDATE, CONTINUED

to strengthen program integration to maximize impact on women and girls. Phase 1 of SWSW:BA, ending in September 2025, was funded by Clean Water Here. In Phase 2, World Vision will continue programming in the original four countries—Guatemala, Honduras, Kenya, and Zimbabwe—and expand to five additional countries in FY26: Malawi, Rwanda, Senegal, Tanzania, and Uganda. Future work will be funded by multiple donors and be part of our new business plan's place-based initiatives.

In Q1 of FY25, we completed an in-depth analysis of midline data collected at the end of FY24, comparing it to baseline results. The findings show significant improvements across key program indicators. Women participating in SWSW:BA not only experienced increased access to WASH services and participation in savings groups, but also reported greater control over their time, increased confidence in saving and business development, and higher rates of income through employment or entrepreneurship.

These outcomes—achieved after just 18 months of implementation—demonstrate the accelerated impact possible when high-quality WASH programming is integrated with

economic empowerment efforts and focused on women's meaningful participation and leadership. Phase 2 countries will build on learnings from Phase 1, deepening integration, refining program sequencing, and strengthening the commitment to women-centered approaches.



### University of North Carolina Water Institute (UNC)

- Partner since 2015
- Area of focus: Research and learning
- Locations: Ghana and Niger

UNC and World Vision are close to completing research in Ghana to investigate the root causes of water quality issues, with the final data collection planned by the end of this summer.

Laboratory capacity in country has been built and confirmed through rigorous testing to be sufficient to support this research as well as country-wide efforts moving forward.

A recent meeting with newly elected government officials, local academic partners, UNC, and World Vision was

successful in ensuring continued support for the research and incorporating the results into national policies, despite the political sensitivities of the topic. Plans are being made to present the findings at international gatherings led by the WHO due to the importance of these findings.



### University of Toronto

- Partner since 2022
- Area of focus: Research and learning
- Location: Zambia

We continue to partner with the University of Toronto on research related to the equitable delivery of piped-water services. Through this, we hope to better understand how we can continually improve the quality of our WASH programming to ensure all people have equal and equitable access to the water provided.

Preliminary research has provided a qualitative snapshot into the equity of piped-water delivery and potential best practices to consider. Quantitative data are being collected and will be summarized to illustrate equity challenges and how to mitigate them through our programming.



*Students at Siphumelele High School in Eswatini's Ntongozi AP enjoy having clean water on campus. Before World Vision constructed this tap at the school, students and staff struggled to find water during the day. The nearest and most oft-used source was a nearby stream that is unprotected and provides only unsafe water. Students are healthier and now spend their school time focusing on their studies instead of searching for water.*



# EAST AFRICA

**513,933 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**323,257 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**407,483 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

Collaboration with governments and regional partners is essential to expanding and sustaining WASH programs. Recent co-financing efforts are yielding strong results. In Tanzania, 19 of 22 new water systems received government funding; in Rwanda, the government covered 40% of construction costs. Kenya's government is drilling boreholes in two communities, with World Vision providing distribution infrastructure. In Sudan, a large-scale urban water system was rehabilitated, and now provides clean water to nearly 93,000 people.

Innovation is also advancing WASH goals. In Burundi, farmers are exploring the safe reuse of human waste in agriculture, promoting sustainable sanitation. In Somalia, mini water systems are reaching remote, underserved areas. In Uganda, widespread misconceptions about buffer zones were addressed through training 2,000 people on watershed restoration. We clarified that buffer zones protect water sources without displacing families. Additionally, WASH business centers and artisan training in Burundi, Ethiopia, Kenya, and Uganda are boosting household sanitation. By equipping local artisans to build quality latrines and toilets, these efforts are driving increased construction of sanitation facilities and supporting long-term health outcomes.

### *Innovations and Partnerships*

- In **Ethiopia**, a new partnership with VisionFund provided WASH loans to 900 households and nine business centers, helping bridge financial gaps and expand access to clean water, sanitation, and hygiene services for families.
- In **Rwanda**, government co-financing of \$2.57 million supported three new water systems, including one reaching 72,000 people, while mWater tools and training for 1,426 health workers improved WASH planning.
- In **Kenya**, the WASH Beyond Access project strengthened cross-sector collaboration through integrated programming. Efforts to secure government co-financing led to \$40,000 to drill boreholes in Mahoo and Riata, in Taita Taveta County.
- In **Tanzania**, 19 of 22 new water systems were co-funded by district governments, as the team deepened local partnerships and contributed to national water and sanitation policy development.



*3,953 taps installed  
from successful water  
supply systems*



*188 schools gained access  
to handwashing facilities*



*1,677 faith leaders  
participated in WASH  
programming*



**Finally, we have safe water.**  
*It was like a dream to us. ...  
We used to walk for one  
hour to get to the water  
point, now it takes me just  
three minutes to get to the  
water point."*

*—Elaf (above, far right), 22,  
Abu Hashim, Sudan*

# SOUTHERN AFRICA

**283,137 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**350,377 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**359,280 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

The Southern Africa Region is advancing toward universal water coverage, with major gains in Malawi and Mozambique. In Malawi, over 90% of Chiradzulu's population now has access to clean water within 500 meters, marking universal coverage. Focus now shifts to Dowa and Ntcheu, where progress will inform the next business plan.

In Mozambique, a strong partnership with charity: water helped raise coverage in Monapo District from 66% to over 90%. Using mWater, 1,080 water points were mapped—37% developed by World Vision and charity: water, and 63% by government and partners. With Monapo reaching universal coverage, efforts are now focused on Murrupula.

In Zambia, co-financing has surged from \$7,607 in FY24 to \$624,482 in FY25, with 63% allocated to water infrastructure and the rest to sanitation and hygiene.



3,212 taps installed  
from successful water  
supply systems



183 schools gained access  
to handwashing facilities



1,138 faith leaders  
participated in WASH  
programming

## Innovations and Partnerships

- Faith leaders in **Angola** are promoting handwashing with soap and safe water storage during worship services, leading to anecdotal reports of improved household hygiene.
- Eswatini's** Ministry of Natural Resources and Energy is providing a 1:1 funding match (\$1,450,000) for WASH programming in five program areas.
- Cross-sector collaboration in **Malawi** trained 29,000 households in watershed management and planted 1.2 million trees to protect groundwater and boost climate resilience.
- In **Mozambique**, a WASH demonstration site showcases home sanitation technologies. To meet demand, 75 women masons were trained in latrine construction techniques.
- In **Zambia**, World Vision is sharing borehole data with the Water Resources Management Authority to help regulate and protect national water resources.
- In **Zimbabwe**, we used sand abstraction technology to solve a 70-year water crisis in Mabhikwa, bringing sustainable, solar-powered water to Zinaphi Primary School.



**My dream was simple: to have clean water close to home, so my children wouldn't get sick and I could spend more time with them," said Adriana (above), a mother of five in Vamba, Angola. "Now, I want to start a small vegetable garden. With water, anything feels possible."**



# WEST AFRICA

**150,813 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**87,298 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**216,557 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

In West Africa, the WASH Program is progressing through foundational work, strategic partnerships, and innovation across several countries. In Burkina Faso, the program completed its first full year, focusing on building partnerships with government agencies and exploring collaboration with water management companies. Key staff have been hired, and a five-year business plan has been developed to guide long-term efforts.

Data-driven decision-making is improving across the region through the mWater platform, which supports both water point mapping and quality monitoring. In Mali, teams are tracking water quality by system, enabling more responsive management. Integrating WASH with livelihoods programming is yielding strong results. Savings groups are helping families invest in sanitation, with Senegal promoting flush toilets and Mauritania achieving 100% improved latrines in two APs. While gains are evident, challenges—especially in reaching schools and health facilities—highlight the need for adaptability.

In Chad, regional unrest has kept the focus on emergency response. A new two-year humanitarian program, funded by Global Affairs Canada, is addressing urgent needs.

### Innovations and Partnerships

- In the **Central African Republic**, World Vision hosted a national WASH supplier symposium to introduce quality standards to vendors, following widespread issues with noncompliant materials like pipes and pumps.
- In **Mali**, the WASH team partnered with the United Nations Humanitarian Air Service to deliver WASH materials to insecure regions like Menaka, where road transport costs are up to four times higher than normal.
- In **Ghana**, savings groups and sanitation marketing initiatives enabled 88 people to access microloans for toilets and water connections, helping make WASH services more affordable for low-income families.
- In **Niger**, World Vision partnered with the Ministries of Water and Health to coordinate WASH activities at health facilities and contributed to a national strategic plan for healthcare waste management.



*1,074 taps installed  
from successful water  
supply systems*



*268 schools gained access  
to handwashing facilities*



*1,012 faith leaders  
participated in WASH  
programming*



*Before, it was a fight every day. Now, when a woman comes to give birth, I know she will have **clean water to wash her hands, a clean space to deliver, and dignity throughout the process**,” said Mabame Niang, a midwife at the Mbouma Health Post in Senegal. One of Mabame’s patients is pictured above with her friend and her newborn baby.*

# SUSTAINABILITY SPOTLIGHT

## *WASH+E Brings New Life to Rural Zambia*

In the remote village of Manga, Zambia, a groundbreaking project that integrates clean water and electricity is transforming lives by unlocking new opportunities for education, health, and economic growth.

Before World Vision introduced this innovative approach, Gloria, a young student with dreams of becoming a journalist, faced daily challenges. She spent hours collecting water from a distant, often contaminated source that frequently made her sick, and struggled to study at night by the dim glow of a flashlight. Her health and academic performance suffered.

Now, thanks to the WASH+E (Water, Sanitation, Hygiene + Energy) initiative, Gloria's future looks brighter—literally and figuratively.

This rural development model combines solar-powered water systems with community microgrids that deliver electricity to homes, schools, health centers, and businesses. World Vision not only installs these systems, but also trains local operators and local committees to manage and maintain them, ensuring long-term sustainability. These roles can be filled by local residents or private contractors.

The centralized solar-powered systems are tailored to each community's needs—ranging from 16-kilowatt setups for basic services to 200-kilowatt systems that can power schools, clinics, and more than 100 small businesses. Clean water is piped directly to those same users, dramatically improving daily life.

To ensure sustainability, fee structures are adapted to local contexts. Use-based pricing is tracked with specialized software, and fees support ongoing maintenance, repairs, and

eventual solar panel replacement.

The impact in Manga has been profound.

"The solar-power system has rejuvenated my hopes and strengthened my resolve to achieve my dreams," Gloria said. "I can study as long as I need to, and I'm no longer afraid of the night. Our school, streets, and community are well-lit."

She added that having water at a nearby tap saves her hours each day—time she now devotes to her studies.

Zambia's Energy Minister, Makozo Chikote, praised the initiative's impact on education. "Students now have access to computers and modern technology, just like their peers in urban areas. Teachers also benefit from better training resources, which ultimately improves learning outcomes."

He also highlighted the transformation at Manga Rural Health Center, which serves nearly 6,000 people. "Expectant mothers can now deliver their babies safely and with dignity, supported by reliable power for essential medical equipment."

Beyond health and education, the project is sparking economic growth. Solar energy replaces charcoal and

gas-powered generators, reducing pollution and enabling new businesses—from milling corn and pressing peanuts for oil, to cafes and retail shops.

"Small businesses now have the power to grow, boosting household income and building economic resilience," said Marc Nosbach, World Vision's national director for Zambia. "And with clean, running water available around the clock, we're meeting a fundamental need for health and child well-being. This vital resource is transforming daily life and creating healthier, more productive communities."



*In the top photo, World Vision staff, community members, and dignitaries dedicate the new WASH+E system in Manga. In the bottom photo, Gloria shows off a new water tap that delivers clean water close to home.*

# ASIA-PACIFIC

**48,587 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**54,023 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**43,265 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

In the first half of FY25, World Vision's WASH programs across Asia-Pacific delivered bold, measurable progress—reaching 48,587 people with clean drinking water (116% of target) and 54,023 with improved sanitation (133%). We trained 387 WASH committees (193%) and activated 581 local businesses (182%) to sustain services, while 18 healthcare facilities gained handwashing access (138%). School sanitation reached 12,183 children (103%).

Cambodia supported four provinces to achieve Open Defecation Free (ODF) status and launched a climate-resilient spring water initiative. Sri Lanka and Viet Nam advanced co-investment models and watershed protection, while Indonesia and Laos strengthened policy and water safety systems. In Bangladesh, fragile context programming led to a 76% drop in household water insecurity.

School-based WASH efforts saw strong progress: Papua New Guinea's student-led WASH Clubs and the Solomon Islands' menstrual hygiene education are transforming school environments. In Myanmar, a major earthquake shifted focus to emergency WASH response, with recovery planning underway.

Across the region, World Vision continues to prioritize quality, equal access, and sustainability—ensuring WASH systems are not only expanded, but built to last.

### Innovations and Partnerships

- In **Bangladesh**, four schools restored their own water points without World Vision funding—mobilizing committees to lead planning and implementation.
- In **Indonesia**, World Vision piloted an interactive game to promote handwashing and safe child feces disposal, with plans to expand.
- In **Papua New Guinea**, Ward Development Committees helped secure \$245,000 in government funding after integrating WASH into district-level five-year plans.
- In the **Solomon Islands**, rainwater harvesting systems were paired with savings group training to support long-term maintenance and future solar upgrades.
- **Sri Lanka** deepened co-investment talks with national water authorities to move from technical coordination to co-financing—advancing toward government-led sustainability.



*1,785 taps installed from successful water supply systems*



*49 schools gained access to handwashing facilities*



*196 faith leaders participated in WASH programming*



Before, Anun was often sick. She would miss many days of school, and I was always worried. Now, she is healthy and strong. She loves to go to school,” says Hoeurth, grandmother of 10-year-old Anun (above) in Svay Check, Cambodia. **“I don’t worry about Anun getting sick from the water. The latrine is clean and safe. It has brought dignity to our family.”**



# LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

**69,905 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**13,787 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**18,292 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

Nearly 70,000 people (135% of target) across Latin America and the Caribbean gained access to clean drinking water in the first half of FY25. WASH teams also exceeded goals for household sanitation (181%) and handwashing facilities (269%). School-based efforts saw strong results as well, with 3,849 children gaining access to sanitation (279%) and 3,554 to handwashing stations (258%).

WASH teams continued to emphasize safe sanitation and hygiene behaviors. In Haiti, 10 communities were declared ODF, supported by faith leaders and local radio campaigns. In El Salvador, 90 church leaders were trained to promote hygiene and disease prevention. In Guatemala, school clubs and teacher training helped reinforce handwashing and sanitation habits. In Nicaragua and Honduras, WASH committees were strengthened to manage water systems and promote sustainability, with growing efforts to include women in leadership. Across the region, community engagement and behavior-change strategies remained central to improving health and protecting water sources.

### Innovations and Partnerships

- In **Nicaragua**, World Vision and the Institute of Agricultural Technology launched model farms, seed banks, and reforestation campaigns to promote climate-smart agriculture and protect water sources.
- In **Honduras**, 32 municipal strategic plans were developed in partnership with local governments and service operators, outlining financing and governance strategies to improve long-term WASH access and sustainability.
- In **Guatemala**, World Vision introduced 248 biofilters through hands-on workshops with 247 families, promoting sustainable water treatment and community ownership of the technology.
- In **El Salvador**, a new gender and water management project engaged more than 100 men and women in four communities to co-lead environmental stewardship and elevate the status of women and girls.
- In **Haiti**, World Vision adapted WASH strategies to prioritize accessible areas while maintaining services in high-risk zones through grassroots partnerships, and identified the need to strengthen community-based alert systems amid insecurity.



10,712 taps installed from successful water supply systems



29 schools gained access to handwashing facilities



463 faith leaders participated in WASH programming



**I can drink clean water with no fear. ... With this water, people do not need to wait for rainwater. Thanks to the panels, the pipes are well supplied. ... Now, I come to take water three times a week. And no one is sick because of unclean water."**

—Saint-Clair (above), 12, Haiti

# MIDDLE EAST

**26,611 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**294 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**1,566 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

Strong community partnerships and local leadership fueled WASH progress in Afghanistan and Iraq during the first half of FY25. A total of 26,611 people gained access to clean drinking water (97% of target), with 1,054 taps installed in homes, schools, and health centers (198%). In Afghanistan, 10 water systems and 30 health facility water points were built or rehabilitated, benefiting 22,411 people and 11 health centers. These efforts included phased water testing, chlorination, and hygiene education to ensure clean water from source to household. Additionally, 1,566 people gained handwashing facilities (196%), and eight health centers added basic sanitation (267%).

In Iraq, 6,655 people benefited from improved water systems, and 56 taps were installed across six schools in partnership with local authorities. Sustainability was strengthened through groundwater monitoring, climate-smart design, and community training on water conservation. Despite funding cuts and administrative delays, teams adapted through advocacy, inclusive design, and community ownership—ensuring WASH systems remain functional, sustainable, and locally supported.

### Innovations and Partnerships

- In **Afghanistan**, World Vision trained 14 local faith leaders to join WASH committees and share key hygiene messages during daily and Friday prayers—strengthening trust, shifting behaviors, and embedding public health in daily life.
- After a 70% reduction in **Afghanistan's** WASH budget, World Vision restructured its team to retain key staff, sustain essential services, and actively seek new funding sources.
- **Iraq's** WASH programming emphasized inclusion by involving children and people with disabilities in facility design—improving accessibility and increasing usage.
- WASH projects in **Iraq** now incorporate climate-resilient designs, including infrastructure built to withstand drought and seasonal shifts. Mobile tools help monitor groundwater levels, while 6,655 people were trained in water conservation, safe storage, and waste management practices.



1,054 taps installed from successful water supply systems



6 schools gained access to handwashing facilities



18 faith leaders participated in WASH programming



**“I didn’t know why hygiene best practices matter in our lives until [World Vision] made me a champion of hygiene education awareness in my community,”** says Mullah Bismillah Attayi (above), 35, of Alamchoob Village in Afghanistan. His leadership has sparked a shift in community health, reducing illness and showing how simple knowledge can transform lives.

## PLANS FOR THE NEXT SIX MONTHS

The next six months mark the final push for our current five-year business plan (FY21–FY25). All 42 country teams have been working hard to pull together their plans for the next five years, and now it is time to redouble our efforts to finish strong on what has already been planned. This includes:

- Continued oversight of water system construction and verification of materials to ensure they meet our material standards
- Training of water committees and mothers' groups to support continued uptake of hygiene messages
- Strengthening the local sanitation value chain to improve access to higher-quality latrines
- Working with staff at schools and health facilities to help ensure the long-term sustainability of infrastructure built over the past five years

We have built strong relationships with governments and partners, and we are excited to continue deepening those relationships to leverage additional funding for WASH priorities and strengthen our implementation in the future.

## THANK YOU

Because of your generosity, families in the world's most vulnerable communities are gaining access to clean water, dignified sanitation, and essential hygiene—foundations for health, resilience, and human flourishing. As we pursue our goal of reaching 30 million people with clean water by 2030, we're continually reminded that Christ is at the center of this work. This work is more than meeting physical needs—it's a living expression of our faith. As Scripture says, "Let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth" (1 John 3:18, NLT). Every tap installed, latrine built, and community reached with clean water reflects Christ's love in action. Thank you for partnering in God's redemptive work in the world.



*In Ethiopia's Girmi Kebele, 12-year-old Frehiwot (above with her mother) once worried daily about her mother's health as she fetched water from a distant, broken hand pump across a dangerous gorge. Today, thanks to new water points installed by World Vision in January 2025, Frehiwot can access clean water in minutes—giving her time to study and pursue her dream of becoming a doctor.*



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