



**WATER** | Global Water Fund

## Progress Report

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*“You care for the land and water it; you enrich it abundantly. The streams of God are filled with water to provide the people with grain, for so you have ordained it.”*

—Psalm 65:9 (NIV)

### Water treatment system breaks the grip of illness and suffering

When conflict in Sudan forced South Sudanese families who had settled there to return home, temporary settlements strained already-limited resources. With poor access to safe water, families resorted to collecting unsafe river water—leading to diarrheal illnesses and cholera, which can be deadly for children.

Families like Sumeya’s endured these hardships. “Our children were always suffering from diarrhea and stomach pains,” she said.

In June, World Vision installed a surface water treatment system to filter, disinfect, and treat the water being used by those in Fokar, the settlement where Sumeya lives. The difference has been remarkable.

“We are now drinking safe water and no more diarrhea-related complaints in our area,” Sumeya said. “Our children will now live a healthy life and be more regular in attending school. We are so happy and thankful to World Vision for installing this in Fokar.”





## GLOBAL SUMMARY

Since 2016, World Vision has provided clean water to 34.5 million people—more than the population of Texas—continuing to lead as the largest non-governmental provider of clean water. Now, thanks to the support of our donors, we have completed our third five-year Global Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Business Plan, covering fiscal years (FY) 2021–2025. During this period, we achieved our goal of reaching 15 million people with clean water, while also reaching 12.2 million with improved sanitation and 15.5 million with handwashing facilities.

Beyond these milestones, we upgraded water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities in more than 7,000 schools and 2,000 healthcare centers, partnered with local governments to design over 300 district-level water master development plans, and mapped nearly 200,000 water points—making World Vision one of the top providers of water system data globally. We also equipped tens of thousands of local entrepreneurs with WASH skills, trained more than 50,000 faith leaders to promote healthy behaviors, and deepened our understanding of the disproportionate burden of water collection on women and girls to design solutions aimed at lifting that burden.

Despite strong headwinds in FY25—including USAID funding cuts, security issues, and supply chain disruptions—we reached 90% of our goal for providing clean water access (2.85 million people), 87% for sanitation (2.24 million people), and 85% for handwashing (2.79 million people). We also made progress toward our “Finish the Job” commitment, ensuring basic clean water access for all people in the areas where we work in Rwanda, Zambia, Honduras, and Ghana.

In Rwanda, after reaching everyone, everywhere we work across 39 sectors, we extended clean water access to an additional 200,158 people this year. In Zambia, we reached 216,961 people in FY25, bringing our cumulative impact to 983,203 people across 29 areas and keeping us on track to meet our pledge to serve more than 1 million people and upgrade over 380 schools and 150 health centers by year-end. In Honduras, we are more

than halfway to our goal of reaching 650,000 people across 49 municipalities by 2030, with 332,695 people reached to date, including 109,226 in FY25. In Ghana, our newest initiative started strong, reaching 97,183 people with clean water in its first year. Our goal is to reach an additional 700,000 people across 23 areas by 2032, while upgrading 500 schools and 200 healthcare centers.

To improve the quality and reliability of water services in FY25, 78% of water points installed were household connections, 20% were community taps, and only 2% were hand pumps. While procurement and funding constraints slowed water, sanitation, and hygiene upgrades in health centers and schools—with projects achieving between 40–75% of annual targets—we remain on track to meet our commitment of upgrading 10,000 schools and 3,000 health centers by 2030. To date, we have completed upgrades of 3,789 schools and 1,189 health centers.

We strengthened the sustainability of water systems by training 4,576 water committees (103% of target) and supporting 5,511 related businesses (145% of target). Empowering women and engaging faith leaders remain central to our mission. This year, we trained 6,720 faith leaders (132% of target) to promote hygiene and sanitation behaviors in their communities, supported 1,479 women-owned businesses, and trained 4,605 women in advocacy, ensuring those most affected by water, sanitation, and hygiene challenges have a voice and role in shaping solutions.

Our impact on the people we served over FY25 and these last five years has been truly remarkable. Building on this success, we have launched our newest business plan, “Mapping the Blue Thread,” charting a bold path to 2030 and committing to significantly expand our impact. This vision is only possible through your partnership. Together, we are being the hands of Jesus, extending life-changing—and often lifesaving—water, sanitation, and hygiene services to millions of people. Thank you, and may God richly bless you for your devotion to the most vulnerable.

# GLOBAL REACH

**2,847,244 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water\**

**2,237,951 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**2,786,605 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## FY25 ANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

59,311 water points built



434,113 sanitation facilities built



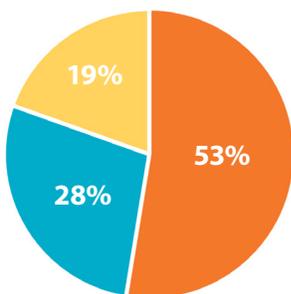
545,047 household handwashing facilities built



4,476 water, sanitation, and hygiene committees formed



## FY25 ANNUAL SPENDING



**\$172.5 MILLION** spent on global water programs during FY25

- World Vision U.S. and Other World Vision Offices – Private Funding (\$90.7 million)
- World Vision U.S. and Other World Vision Offices – Sponsorship (\$48.1 million)
- Government, International, Local – Grants and Resource Development (\$33.7 million)

\*This figure includes all water participants (2,847,244) in FY25. Of these, 1,365,542 were reached with World Vision U.S. private funding. These 1,365,542 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 Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) ITT for FY25.

OUTCOMES AND OUTPUTS	FY25 Annual Target (Global)	East Africa (Achieved)	Southern Africa (Achieved)	Western Africa (Achieved)	Latin America and Caribbean (Achieved)	Asia-Pacific (Achieved)	Middle East (Achieved)	FY25 Annual Achieved (Global)	Achieved vs. Target (Global)
<b>Water Supply and Security</b>									
People reached with safer, more accessible drinking water	3,179,863	1,270,653	708,581	425,285	165,461	163,085	114,179	2,847,244	90%
Children reached with safer, more accessible drinking water in schools	725,884	173,722	109,135	35,576	25,693	41,351	7,517	392,994	54%
Successful boreholes completed and commissioned in communities, schools, and health centers	1,192	60	1,027	85	0	282	0	1,454	122%
Taps installed from successful water supply systems in communities, schools, and health centers	73,083	9,360	7,807	2,950	22,519	4,967	10,254	57,857	79%
Nonfunctioning water points rehabilitated in communities, schools, and health centers	3,230	969	414	322	14,586	4,552	288	21,131	654%
Schools gaining access to safer drinking water on site	2,032	308	185	131	205	199	16	1,044	51%
Healthcare facilities gaining access to a basic drinking water service	679	140	39	98	23	34	24	358	53%
<b>Sanitation and Hygiene</b>									
People gaining access to household sanitation	2,579,669	885,760	815,019	336,048	63,342	132,451	5,331	2,237,951	87%
People gaining access to handwashing facilities	3,284,102	891,238	815,741	687,557	87,059	283,804	21,206	2,786,605	85%
Children gaining access to sanitation facilities in schools	379,197	150,020	94,291	44,968	20,964	27,884	6,607	344,734	91%
Children gaining access to handwashing facilities in schools	691,511	172,881	167,111	199,064	19,069	29,248	6,607	593,980	86%
Schools gaining access to sex-separated, basic sanitation services (that comply with required ratios)	1,230	181	146	113	111	127	10	688	56%
Schools gaining access to improved sanitation for children/youth with limited mobility	1,066	219	154	122	95	54	15	659	62%
Schools gaining access to improved sanitation for girls, with facilities to manage menstrual hygiene	1,029	179	158	99	87	86	8	617	60%
Schools gaining access to basic handwashing facilities	2,714	353	363	888	117	125	15	1,861	69%
Healthcare facilities gaining access to a basic sanitation service	596	66	32	74	25	23	20	240	40%
Healthcare facilities gaining access to basic handwashing facilities	1,001	123	106	163	26	50	26	494	49%
<b>Governance and Finance</b>									
WASH committees formed and trained with a financing system in place for maintenance and repair	4,461	877	1,491	663	271	1,239	35	4,576	103%
Local businesses active in repair of WASH facilities and provision of WASH products	3,801	2,098	632	1,506	395	880	0	5,511	145%
Faith leaders trained to promote safe WASH practices	6,605	2,828	1,901	1,991	931	1,381	243	9,275	140%
Schools trained in planning and budgeting for WASH services	2,311	241	235	221	151	298	32	1,178	51%
<b>WASH in Emergency Settings</b>									
People with access to emergency drinking water supplies	0	66,458	72,997	24,017	0	227,104	0	390,576	N/A
People with access to emergency hygiene supplies	0	88,141	24,281	119,215	3,564	81,928	21,160	338,289	N/A
People with access to emergency sanitation systems	0	39,067	81,619	20,122	0	17,053	0	157,861	N/A
People with access to appropriate solid-waste disposal facilities	0	14,344	3,020	5,460	0	12,098	10,000	44,922	N/A

# GLOBAL MAP



## WORLD VISION'S WATER 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: Water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) infrastructure, sanitation and hygiene promotion
- Locations: Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, and Niger

Mali, Niger, and Mozambique currently are implementing grants totaling \$5.6 million (Mali was approved for \$2.3 million; Niger for \$1.7 million; and Mozambique for \$1.6 million). The Malawi grant of \$900,000, which started in August 2024, was successfully completed and brought clean water to 19,535 people. Favorable exchange rate fluctuations and savings from contract negotiations led to funding for an additional four water points, bringing the total completed water points to 70. Mali, Niger, and Mozambique all completed grants in March and February 2025. Mali completed 139 water points reaching 43,145 people; Niger, 97 water points reaching 46,128 people; and Mozambique, 113 water points reaching 65,752 people.

A new Malawi \$900,000 grant was awarded and work for this began in August. We were awarded grants for Mali, Mozambique, and Niger—totaling \$4.85 million—for the 2026 cycle, and that work is expected to begin in February and March.



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

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

The \$79.8 million Water4Life+ project launched in 2022 with a five-year goal

to reach 1.6 million people by providing clean water to schools, health facilities, and communities. The plan includes drilling 396 wells, capping 50 springs, and rehabilitating 48 existing water systems. Since inception, World Vision has drilled more than 135 wells and completed 90 water supply systems, benefiting 99 schools and 59 health facilities. In August, a new contract was signed to complete 54 additional water systems by July 2027. Discussions with CIFF are advancing for Phase II, which will deploy CIFF's drilling rigs, with additional funding to expand water access from June 2026 to April 2029. The redesigned phase will focus primarily on communities, while continuing efforts to reach institutions. World Vision is exploring partnership opportunities with CIFF in Kenya, Malawi, Tanzania, and Zambia.



#### 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

Two program officers from the Hilton Foundation visited the Ahafo Regional WASH Project in Kenyasi, Ghana, to meet with key stakeholders and review three core initiatives driving sustainable water services: the Drinking Water Sustainability Fund (DWSF), the Water Facilities Insurance Scheme, and professional water service providers. These efforts are helping advance long-term water management solutions in the Asutifi North and Asunafo North district assemblies.

The project launched two strategic financing mechanisms—the DWSF and an insurance plan for water

supply facilities—to close funding gaps for capital and operational costs, strengthen partnerships with service authorities, and promote professional service management. The DWSF model emphasizes co-investment and collaboration with local authorities to ensure long-term sustainability of water services.

As a result, 31 new solar-powered piped-water systems were installed—17 in Asunafo North (with 102 taps) and 14 in Asutifi North (with 75 taps)—providing basic drinking water to 58,200 people. Additionally, 11,212 individuals using 16 schools and seven health facilities now have access to safer water, and 34 households have gained on-premises water connections.

World Vision recently launched a pilot in the Atwedie community (Asutifi North District), connecting 25 households and public tap users to prepaid water meters supplied by Grundfos. Households can now purchase water credits through a mobile money platform, while public tap users will use prepaid water cards with water ATMs and smart water systems. An agent will be appointed to sell credits within participating communities, and the initiative will be expanded to all communities.

Under the SAFE4HCF project, World Vision Ethiopia received a certificate of recognition from the Amhara Regional Health Bureau for outstanding performance in implementing WASH FIT standards, infection prevention and control, and advocacy approaches.

Between April and September, the team constructed or rehabilitated 233 WASH facilities—including handwashing stations, showers, latrines, incinerators, and waste zones—across 18 health facilities serving 95,000 people. The team received a nine-month no-cost extension to use remaining funds for activities in Legambo and Shebel Berenta woredas.

## PARTNERSHIPS UPDATE, CONTINUED



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

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

In FY25, 68 participants from 35 countries enrolled in the WASH Capacity Building Program and are set to graduate—36 through DRI and 32 through Drexel. As part of the current phase, DRI introduced new professional development courses in FY24. One highlight was the Groundwater Development and Management course held in Zambia in January 2025, in which 33 participants received theoretical instruction and hands-on training in drilling management and supervision. Another course on market-based approaches to WASH service delivery is scheduled for December in Ghana, with about 25 participants expected.

Since its inception, the program has trained participants from 36 countries through Cohorts 1–9 (DRI) and Cohorts 1–11 (Drexel). To date, 521 students have graduated—270 through DRI (23% women, 77% men) and 251 through Drexel (40% women, 60% men). Preparations for the next phase are underway, with plans to emphasize professional courses. This shift aligns with priorities in the new business plan, focusing on improving staff capabilities and engagement.



### GivePower

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

To advance World Vision's WASH and energy initiative and deliver greater benefits to communities, GivePower has become a trusted partner in designing, vetting, and overseeing the energy component of this work. Together, we completed our first joint solar microgrid project in Chikwa, Zambia—providing 24-hour water supply, electrification for health facilities and schools, outdoor lighting, and power for a new community-built market.

Building on this success, we have begun work on additional solar microgrid projects that will electrify two more communities later this year. We are grateful for this partnership and excited to apply lessons learned to future projects in Zambia and beyond. We also continue to explore opportunities to integrate GivePower's desalination technology into World Vision programming where water quality challenges make traditional approaches difficult.



### 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 provide technical support to improve procurement processes, training, and capacity building. Grundfos

has been supporting our teams on using equipment such as in-line chlorinators and flow meters to improve water safety.

We are exploring the use of Grundfos' remote monitoring technology, starting with a potential pilot in Ghana and Uganda. If successful and adaptable to World Vision's operational context, this initiative could expand, giving us real-time insights into system performance and functionality. In addition, Grundfos is developing tailored technical training to build global capacity for designing and constructing piped-water systems.



### iDE (International Development Enterprises)

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

Phase 3 of the pilot launched in Mozambique in April, followed by Ghana and Zambia in June. Building on lessons from earlier phases—desk research, strategy testing, and initial trials—this phase targets interventions across the four pillars of our sanitation and hygiene strategy.

In Ghana, that was emphasizing financing solutions, including a revolving fund and installment payment options through sanitation entrepreneurs. In Zambia, work concentrated on refining product design, strengthening latrine business owners' capacity, and improving supply chain coordination.

## PARTNERSHIPS UPDATE, CONTINUED

In Q4 of FY25, Mozambique reported strong progress through establishing a supply-chain partnership with a local supplier, finalizing the pilot latrine design, and introducing a modular pricing model that allows customers to upgrade latrines in phases—making improvements more financially accessible.

Meanwhile, Burundi completed Phase 2 field testing in October, focusing on emptying latrine pits and fecal sludge management for farming communities seeking safe waste reuse in agriculture. The team also held its first successful community sales demo with trained agents. Burundi is scheduled to launch Phase 3 in January, aligned with its Markets for Sanitation place-based initiative.



### 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 and MUBAS remain key research and learning partners, building on their strong foundation from the Chiradzulu WASH4Everyone project. Over the past quarter, they shared study findings at international conferences, helping position Malawi's

experience within global WASH learning networks.

Current work focuses on understanding how handwashing products influence household demand and behavior change—an important area given that hygiene progress has lagged behind water and sanitation. They also are partnering with iDE to design a learning plan that connects insights from iDE's pilot projects, the rollout of community-led approaches, and the evolution of our global sanitation and hygiene strategy. These efforts are deepening understanding of what drives lasting hygiene adoption and how local markets can be strengthened to accelerate progress toward reaching everyone, everywhere we work.



### 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, Mauritania, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Niger, Philippines, Senegal, Viet Nam, and Zimbabwe

World Vision continues to provide P&G Purifier of Water packets and filtration materials to ensure families have access to clean drinking water in communities, schools, health facilities, and emergency settings. Currently, there are 16 active projects, with plans underway to add an emergency relief project in Sudan.

This year, P&G will celebrate a major milestone—25 billion liters of clean water distributed through its partners. World Vision remains a trusted partner, as reflected in the growing number of projects.

In each development project, we implement a bridge strategy of providing packets and training on safe water treatment as a short-term solution while communities wait for permanent, sustainable water sources. For example, in Zimbabwe last year, 10% of project participants (5,919 people) transitioned from using packets to gaining access to improved water systems.



### 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, and Zimbabwe

In FY25, we successfully completed our latest collaboration with Sesame Workshop, adapting and expanding WASH UP! and Girl Talk materials in the four original Strong Women Strong World: Beyond Access countries—Guatemala, Honduras, Kenya, and Zimbabwe—while adding El Salvador.

This effort concluded with a virtual workshop bringing together Sesame Workshop teams and World Vision staff members from 18 countries implementing WASH UP! and/or Girl Talk. Since the start of our partnership, World Vision has reached nearly 400,000 boys and girls across 18 countries with WASH UP! and more than 60,000 across five countries with Girl Talk.

As we approach the 10-year milestone of this partnership in FY26, we are committed to building on a decade of learning and exploring new opportunities to help these programs grow and thrive into the future.

## PARTNERSHIPS UPDATE, CONTINUED



### Clean Water Here

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

During the last six months of FY25, we focused on closing out Phase 1. This included conducting endline surveys, holding closure meetings with communities not continuing into Phase 2, and transitioning savings groups previously supported by the Beyond Access project to local World Vision livelihoods teams.

Our learning partner, Emory University, completed evaluations for Zimbabwe and Guatemala and finished follow-up research on women's water journeys in Kenya and Honduras. These findings will be published in early 2026. A comprehensive learnings report—covering endline results and other insights—will be available in January 2026.

Results from Phase 1 show strong improvements across key indicators and provide valuable insights that will guide program expansion in FY26.

Although our partnership with Clean Water Here is ending, Beyond Access programming will continue under the business plan, growing from four to nine countries in FY26, with additional countries planned for FY27 and FY28.

Beyond Access is a cornerstone of World Vision WASH's women-centered design approach and is setting the standard for integrated programming that connects water access with livelihoods, health, and nutrition in a meaningful, sequenced way.



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

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

UNC and World Vision have completed analysis of the Ghana water quality study, which examined sources and levels of trace metal contamination in community drinking water systems. The results show encouraging progress: Lead levels in newer systems—built under improved construction and sourcing standards—all were within safe limits. This confirms that recent investments and quality-control measures are protecting communities.

The study also confirmed Ghana's national laboratory capacity, showing that local facilities can reliably test for trace metals and support ongoing monitoring. In addition, UNC successfully validated a new mobile app and low-cost test strip technology, making routine water testing faster and more affordable nationwide.

Findings and lessons learned are being shared with Ghana's Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources and other partners to inform national policy and water-safety programs. The results have drawn international attention and will be presented at upcoming WHO-led gatherings on global strategies to prevent trace metal contamination in drinking water.



### University of Toronto

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

The University of Toronto has completed data collection for its research on the equitable delivery of piped-water services and is now preparing final reports. Even before formal analysis, the team identified practical opportunities to enhance system performance—many discovered simply through observing systems in operation. Early findings suggest that relatively low-cost adjustments, such as reducing air in the system and optimizing water flow, could potentially double output in some settings. These insights highlight the value of close field observation alongside data-driven research, offering World Vision practical recommendations to improve service quality and efficiency while continuing to advance understanding of equity in piped-water delivery.



*Aminata was like many of her classmates at her school in Sierra Leone's Sorogbema AP. She frequently missed classes because of hygiene-related illnesses. After World Vision partnered with the government to implement a WASH program, Aminata is healthier and excited to share what she has learned. "Now I don't get sick often ... I told my mother we should wash hands before cooking and eating," she said.*

# EAST AFRICA

**1,270,653 PEOPLE**  
gained access to clean drinking water

**885,760 PEOPLE**  
gained access to improved household sanitation

**891,238 PEOPLE**  
gained access to handwashing facilities



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

Across East Africa, World Vision advanced efforts to protect groundwater sources for future generations. In Uganda, FY25 marked the first year of the Rwizi Watershed Restoration project in Rakai District. Buffer zones were established around water sources in six subcounties, supported by campaigns discouraging settlement and farming nearby. To stabilize soils, reduce erosion, and improve water infiltration, our team established six tree nurseries and distributed 123,600 native seedlings and fruit trees to farmers. In addition, 1,130 water retention structures were built to enhance infiltration and reduce runoff.

To ensure community ownership, committees formed in 15 parishes were trained to monitor water levels, vegetation cover, and land use changes, reporting their findings to district authorities for follow-up. Fifteen farmer groups (60% women) were trained in soil and water conservation, beekeeping, rainwater harvesting, and water retention techniques.

Our East Africa team also champions innovation in market-based sanitation. Water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) business centers in Kenya and Ethiopia continue to grow, while Burundi is making strong progress toward safer sanitation with iDE.

### Innovations and Partnerships

- In partnership with Rotary International, the **Ethiopia** team completed a three-year WASH-in-schools project, providing access to WASH services for 52,216 people in schools and surrounding communities.
- In **Kenya**, after years of collaboration with the government, the Athi Mutomo Pipeline was launched. Today, it delivers water to nearly 40,000 people. Its sister project in Kalawa is on track for completion in FY26.
- Amidst the challenges of civil war, 30 community chlorinators (16 women, 14 men) in **Sudan** were trained to keep water safe—essential work during widespread cholera outbreaks.
- In **Tanzania**, our team's engagement with national policymakers led to new menstrual health and hygiene guidelines, a revised national water policy, and progress on sanitation policy—all bolstered by increased government commitment and funding.



9,360 taps installed from successful water supply systems



353 schools gained access to handwashing facilities



2,828 faith leaders participated in water, sanitation, and hygiene programming



[Before,] we had to travel nearly two hours to fetch water. ... **Ever since World Vision brought water closer, we haven't had issues.** Our lives are easier, healthier, and less stressful."

—Ayamo Grace,  
Uganda

# SOUTHERN AFRICA

**708,581 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**815,019 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**815,741 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

World Vision is driving bold progress toward reaching everyone, everywhere we work across the region—mapping gaps, expanding access, and forging partnerships.

After reaching every community in Monapo with clean water earlier this year, World Vision in Mozambique turned its focus to Murrupula District, mapping all 282 water points and finding only 66% fully functional, creating a clear roadmap for investment in underserved areas.

Coverage has surged in Malawi. Chiradzulu's end-of-project evaluation confirmed more than 90% of the population now has access to improved water sources—up from 45% in 2022. Ntcheu reached 77% coverage this past year—up from 65% in 2019. While the timeline for reaching everyone, everywhere we work has been extended to 2029 due to funding constraints, momentum remains strong. In Eswatini, a partnership with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Energy is driving a \$13.5 million initiative to bring safe water to 90% of people living in 18 communities by 2030.

### *Innovations and Partnerships*

- In **Angola**, we partnered with SOS Children's Village to install a new water system at a primary school, directly benefiting 275 children and 459 community members.
- In the **DRC**, we used the Channels of Hope approach to train 100 faith leaders and 20 World Vision staff in Kivu region to help communities use hygiene and sanitation practices to prevent and control Mpox and Ebola outbreaks.
- In **Lesotho**, more than 9,000 trees were planted around key water catchment areas to help replenish groundwater and support long-term sustainability.
- In **Mozambique**, we partnered with the National Directorate of Water Resources Management to share borehole data and improve the country's hydrogeological map.
- In **Zambia**, we mobilized more than \$750,000 in co-financing from government and civil society partners to expand water and sanitation services.



*7,807 taps installed from successful water supply systems*



*363 schools gained access to handwashing facilities*



*1,901 faith leaders participated in water, sanitation, and hygiene programming*



*I would go for two days without water for drinking, let alone for cooking or washing. My joints ached from the effort of walking in search of water. ... Now I can fill my 20-liter bucket with clean water in a minute, right from a tap near my home. It's like a new lease on life at 82."*

*—Mbuya (above), 82, Zimbabwe*

# WEST AFRICA

**425,285 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**336,048 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**687,557 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

Across West Africa, World Vision is working closely with government agencies and local stakeholders to shape policies that bring water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services into homes and communities. In the Central African Republic, as an active member of the WASH Cluster (coordinated by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and UNICEF) World Vision led capacity-building workshops to equip partners with policy and advocacy skills. These efforts paid off: The WASH Cluster successfully influenced the National Humanitarian Response Plan and secured increased funding for WASH in emergency settings. Thanks to World Vision's leadership, WASH programs are now better integrated into displacement camps and communities affected by conflict.

In Senegal, we signed an memorandum of understanding with the national water authority—a major step toward our shared goal of equitable, sustainable access to safe drinking water in vulnerable areas. In Ghana, our team assessed early childhood development centers to identify gaps in WASH implementation. The findings will inform a new technical working group in developing guidelines for WASH services at these centers that can be rolled out across the country.

### Innovations and Partnerships

- In **Burkina Faso**, a mechanized solar water system in Dédougou is providing irrigation for 90 women who are growing vegetables. These women also are using savings groups to improve their finances and grow their enterprises.
- In **Mali**, savings groups and other income-generating activities reached 108,607 participants (95% women)—far exceeding the target of 14,824. This strengthened communities' ability to manage and maintain WASH services.
- In **Mauritania**, local communities participated in setting water tariffs and created dedicated maintenance funds to ensure the long-term sustainability of water services.
- In **Niger**, we collaborated with the Ministry of Health to develop and validate the National Strategic Plan for Health Care Waste Management, helped finalize the national roadmap for improving water, sanitation, and hygiene in healthcare facilities, and championed national implementation of WASH FIT.



*2,950 taps installed from successful water supply systems*



*888 schools gained access to handwashing facilities*



*1,991 faith leaders participated in water, sanitation, and hygiene programming*



*We learned to prepare enriched meals using vegetables from our garden. ... **Thanks to water, we have regained our health, our strength, and our hope.***

*—Kadiatou (above), Mali*

# SUSTAINABILITY SPOTLIGHT

## *Building a Culture of Quality*

At World Vision, quality isn't just a checklist—it's part of who we are. Our Culture of Quality (COQ) strategy for FY25 and beyond puts people first, ensuring that every team member feels empowered to make decisions that uphold the highest standards, even when detailed guidance isn't at hand. Leaders at every level are committed to "walking the talk," investing time and resources to make quality a shared responsibility.

Through initiatives like SAFER—Safe, Accessible, Functional, Equitable, and Resilient—we're making sure water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) services meet the highest standards while serving the most vulnerable. Looking ahead, we're focused on continuous improvement and global alignment, strengthening leadership engagement, expanding knowledge-sharing, and rolling out robust quality assurance systems that adapt to local contexts.

Our goal is simple: create systems that not only deliver quality but prove it—through evidence, transparency, and innovation. This approach positions World Vision as a global leader in sustainable, high-quality WASH services.

## *What We Achieved in FY25*

This year, we launched global training and webinars to make quality easier to implement—from material standards and water safety to infrastructure upgrades. We spotlighted success stories from Malawi, Indonesia, Honduras, Kenya, Rwanda, and Zambia, showing how lessons learned are shaping better solutions.

Regional leaders also hosted country-specific sessions to develop tailored quality plans, ensuring strategies work in real-world contexts. In-person rollouts in East Asia and hybrid



*WASH team members in Kenya collect and test water samples to ensure quality standards are being met in project areas.*



sessions in Latin America and the Caribbean helped teams align with new business plan expectations, including:

- Upgrading infrastructure quality
- Implementing procurement guidelines
- Certifying material quality
- Strengthening water safety protocols

South Asia is next, with rollout scheduled for early FY26, completing our region-by-region implementation.

## *What's Next*

We're introducing a digital quality monitoring system to track standards and performance in real time, integrated with our mWater platform. This will help us improve everything from water safety to infrastructure resilience.

Key priorities for FY26 and beyond include:

- Stronger water disinfection practices
- Expanding metering and remote monitoring
- Piloting system upgrades
- Strengthening life-cycle costing skills for better long-term sustainability

# ASIA-PACIFIC

**163,085 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**132,451 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**238,804 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

Across the region, World Vision is forging strategic partnerships, leveraging data-driven strategies, and promoting water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) entrepreneurship for lasting impact. In Bangladesh, we trained 322 entrepreneurs—including 203 women—to sell hygiene products, improving community access to menstrual health supplies while creating sustainable livelihoods. In Papua New Guinea, 177 artisans learned to produce reinforced concrete latrine slabs, enabling communities to build and maintain their own sanitation facilities.

In Sri Lanka, we mapped over 5,300 water points to monitor water use and keep watersheds healthy in four vital areas. Scheduled for FY26, these plans include catchment protection, reforestation, and slope stabilization, with strong government and community engagement ensuring shared ownership and long-term sustainability.

After the March earthquake in Myanmar, WASH interventions played a lifesaving role—delivering safe drinking water, hygiene kits, and purifier sachets to displaced families. As recovery progressed, damaged wells were rehabilitated, new water supply and treatment systems installed, and school latrines reconstructed. Overall, World Vision reached 153,000 people with emergency services.

### Innovations and Partnerships

- In **Cambodia**, we launched a water security partnership with local leaders, which led to the protection of 2,965 acres of forest and a tree planting ceremony, encouraging the community to get involved in water protection.
- In **Indonesia**, a new sanitation microfinance model combined material subsidies, contributions from village governments and communities, and business centers that train WASH artisans. The effort has significantly expanded sanitation access across the region.
- In **Laos**, we partnered with the government to support a water resource management workshop in Houaphan Province, helping craft guidelines for future work.
- In **Viet Nam**, we integrated technical standards and quality testing across projects. In addition, 1,164 community members were trained on sustainable farming practices.



*4,967 taps installed from successful water supply systems*



*125 schools gained access to handwashing facilities*



*1,381 faith leaders participated in water, sanitation, and hygiene programming*



***Clean water and a good toilet changed my life. Every child deserves the same chance to live healthy and proud.***

*—Umama Jannat, 15  
Bangladesh*

# LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

**165,461 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**63,342 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**87,059 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

Across Latin America, World Vision is driving innovation, growing key partnerships, and championing sustainable practices to protect clean water for future generations. In Honduras, we worked with local leaders to develop 32 municipal water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) roadmaps to reach everyone, everywhere we work—prioritizing the most vulnerable communities and tailoring plans to each municipality's needs.

Meanwhile, a new UNICEF partnership in Guatemala is scaling sanitation and hygiene interventions in 45 schools, while collaboration with the Ministry of Public Health advances a sustainable community sanitation approach through education campaigns and improved waste collection and disposal systems.

In El Salvador, a cornerstone of World Vision's success in FY25 was the significant growth of our collaborative work with partners from embassies, the central government, foundations, communities, and the private sector. Altogether, the team works with 21 partners and 70% of the 4,414 people who gained access to basic or safely-managed drinking water this year did so through partnership and co-financing initiatives.

### *Innovations and Partnerships*

- In **Guatemala**, we used the "Learning by Doing" and "Ten Golden Rules" frameworks to create dynamic, hands-on learning environments that allowed students and their parents to actively apply hygiene and water safety concepts rather than passively receive them.
- In **Honduras**, women-led WASH committees have consistently demonstrated stronger organization, transparency, and fulfillment of commitments. Moving forward, we aim to prioritize equipping and empowering female leaders in community WASH initiatives.
- In **Haiti**, 47 local entrepreneurs (62% women) were trained to develop small-scale WASH businesses. This approach reduces dependency, while ensuring that communities have continuous access to essential WASH products.
- In **Nicaragua**, we strengthened the resilience of 1,300 families, training 130 producers in the Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration model, supporting sustainable practices on 160 farms, and protecting 489 acres of water recharge areas.



*22,519 taps installed from successful water supply systems*



*117 schools gained access to handwashing facilities*



*931 faith leaders participated in water, sanitation, and hygiene programming*



**Thank God I was selected to participate in the [water, sanitation, and hygiene] training, which allowed me to start my own business."**

*—Sandra Castillo, 50 Honduras*

# MIDDLE EAST

**114,179 PEOPLE**

*gained access to clean drinking water*

**5,331 PEOPLE**

*gained access to improved household sanitation*

**21,206 PEOPLE**

*gained access to handwashing facilities*



## REGIONAL SUMMARY

Across the Middle East, World Vision is advancing sustainable water solutions, strengthening community resilience, and promoting inclusive water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) practices for lasting impact. From large-scale water systems in Afghanistan to innovative hygiene education programs in Iraqi schools, our efforts prioritize both immediate access and long-term resource management.

In Afghanistan, 66,979 people gained access to safe water through 30 water systems, delivered via 307 public tap stands and 1,813 private household connections. Our water systems are designed to limit how much groundwater is taken, allowing aquifers to refill over time. We also piloted resource management initiatives such as constructing a check dam to counteract erosion in Badghis and rehabilitating over three miles of canals for irrigation and groundwater replenishment. Through the Nexus program, communities planted 1,000 tree seedlings to protect catchments and strengthen water resilience.

World Vision expanded the Sesame WASH UP! Program in Iraq, training 10 teachers to deliver 16 interactive workshops to 330 students across four schools in Thiqr governorate. These story-based lessons use beloved Sesame Street characters to teach good hygiene and water conservation behaviors. The program is now embedded in school routines with plans to expand in Ninewa and Thiqr in FY26.

### *Innovations and Partnerships*

- In Afghanistan, 227 faith leaders were trained on hygiene and public health best practices. Thousands of community members were reached as leaders integrated these messages into their teachings.
- Also in Afghanistan, we trained 33 water management committees, equipped them with essential tools, and linked them with private operators and suppliers for ongoing maintenance.
- In Iraq, our project evaluation found that a World Vision inclusion initiative improved access to WASH services for women and persons with disabilities, strengthened their participation in decision-making and entrepreneurship, and raised awareness of the importance of inclusion among communities and local leaders.



10,254 taps installed from successful water supply systems



15 schools gained access to handwashing facilities



243 faith leaders participated in water, sanitation, and hygiene programming



“When we returned from displacement, we found no health facilities or water tanks, and our lives were extremely difficult. But **after World Vision’s intervention, we now have health facilities and water tanks, our lives have improved, and we have a reliable source of water.**”

—Khader (above),  
Kirkuk, Afghanistan

## PLANS FOR THE NEXT SIX MONTHS

FY26 marks the beginning of our new five-year business plan: “Mapping the Blue Thread,” which targets 875 operational areas across 42 countries with data-driven, context-specific water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) strategies. Now and over the next five years, we aim to continue pursuing excellence and strengthening capacity in each of our five technical areas: water supply and quality, sanitation and hygiene, governance and finance, water security, and disaster management.

As part of this plan, our primary focus over the next six months will be on successfully launching our Place Based Initiatives—geographically-focused, locally-designed interventions that aim to achieve tangible results through integrated programming in a single location around the following topics:

- **Universal Service Coverage:** Reaching at least 90% of people in target districts with basic drinking water.
- **WASH Financing Solutions:** Mobilizing new sources of investment to expand water services to underserved areas and multiply impact.
- **Water Resource Management:** Protecting watersheds and improving source water quality to safeguard clean water access for future generations.
- **WASH in Fragile Contexts:** Delivering resilient water services to reduce community vulnerability and improve access and well-being.
- **Markets for Sanitation:** Building demand for sanitation while strengthening supply chains to enable durable and affordable solutions.
- **Women-Centered Design:** Prioritizing the needs of women and girls, who are most affected by lack of access to water, sanitation, and hygiene services.

Equipping our water teams across the globe to start strong over the next six months will enable us to deliver meaningful, measurable results by the time the Place Based Initiatives end in 2027 or 2028.

## THANK YOU

Every year, your partnership helps expand access to clean water, safe sanitation, and healthy hygiene for vulnerable communities across the globe. From laying pipe to mapping water points to equipping local entrepreneurs, World Vision’s water sector work goes beyond meeting immediate needs, it is a lasting investment in health, hope, and dignity for every person served, each one made in the image of God.

Your commitment and generosity help make this lifesaving work possible. Thank you for standing with communities as they move toward healthier, more resilient futures.



*Married at 15 in Ethiopia’s harsh Melka Belo region, Lemindi (above) faced limited opportunities and poverty. Through a World Vision–supported WASH entrepreneurial program, she joined a business making toilet slabs and soap. Today, the business has installed over 2,500 toilet slabs across four kebeles, reducing diarrheal diseases and improving health for thousands, while Lemindi provides a better life for her children.*



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