

# Our Impact

**World Vision International Haiti**

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## We are World Vision

World Vision is a global force for good. A community of millions, driven by our desire to serve God and transform the lives of vulnerable children.

World Vision International Haiti (WVIH) is a Christian humanitarian organization focused on improving the well being of children, families and communities in Haiti. Our goal is to promote development and justice while tackling poverty that impacts children, especially the most vulnerable children in Haiti.

Since our establishment in 1978, we have maintained a deep presence in communities in the North, Center and West Departments and have recently extended our reach to the North East, North West and Artibonite Departments, impacting more than 160,000 families in the past three years. WVIH also provides relief supplies and assists with recovery from major natural disasters that ravaged the country, including the 2010 earthquake and numerous hurricanes such as Hurricane Matthew in 2016.

World Vision is a global Christian relief, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice. World Vision serves all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or gender.

**Our vision for every child, life in all its fullness. Our prayer for every heart, the will to make it so.**

**Over the last five years, 89% of the severely malnourished children we treated made a full recovery**

## Our achievements 2016-2018



Through the generosity of donors from around the world, **56,000 children** were sponsored



WVIH dewormed more than **521,960 school-age children**, through several school de-worming campaigns. **And 51,116 under five children** were also provided with Vitamin A supplement



**More than 222,000 people** now have access to protected drinking water



**66,600 school students had access to a hot meal** when they went to school contributing to the school retention rate, as well as improved academic performance



**13,207 people (including families, children, Community Based Organizations)** were sensitized on positive discipline method



**6,100 families** were able to see improvement in their agricultural productions due to distribution of improved seed variety

**Every 60 seconds ...  
a family gets water ...  
a hungry child is fed ...  
a family receives the tools  
to overcome poverty**



## Overview

WVIH has seen incredible movements in making sustainable impact in the lives of thousands of Haitian children, their families and their communities. 2018 marks WVIH's third year in implementing its 2016-2021 strategy aimed at ensuring that all communities within its programs meet international acceptable standards in the key areas of Health, Nutrition and WASH. This report demonstrates the program progress WVIH achieved in its intervention areas in the sectors of health, nutrition, WASH, food security and child protection.

## Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

In order to improve access to clean water and sanitation, WVIH continued to prioritize water, hygiene, and sanitation within its program. With only 54.4% of most vulnerable families had access to clean water in our area of operation, the objective of focusing on WASH is to reduce the prevalence of preventable diseases, improve health and nutrition conditions, and reduce child protection risk factors. As of 2018, WVIH was able to increase by 19.7% the number of the most vulnerable families that had sufficient access to water from an improved source (protected well or spring, or rainwater collection). Additionally, the proportion of the most vulnerable families using improved sanitation facilities increased by 24.7%. These improvements, among others can be attributed to various achievements:

- More than 222,000 people (of them 15,285 school students) now have access to protected drinking water through the construction and rehabilitation of 144 infrastructures. WVIH supported with the establishment of and training for WASH committees in all new and rehabilitated water points to ensure optimal and continued functionality of water points.
- WVIH efforts to encourage household water treatment and safe storage in communities, schools and health centers led to an additional 18,685 households treating their water with chlorine, effectively reducing the rate of waterborne diseases in the community.
- WVIH engaged more than 72,766 people in hygiene behavior change sessions. As a result of intensive hygiene sensitization and promotion, 7,703 families set up hand-washing stations using buckets with soap and water or tippy taps built from local materials in their homes.
- Families were able to dig their own latrines, and now 7,910 HHs now have access to basic sanitation facilities, reducing the number of people practicing open defecation in the community. Between 2016 and 2018, 40 communities reached open defecation free status. This accomplishment in part led to a 9.5% reduction of diarrhea prevalence within WVIH intervention areas.



**“I am convinced that cholera will no longer have a hold on my family and my community,” Polès from Aguahedionde, in Hinche**



**Together we've impacted the lives of thousands of vulnerable children by tackling the root causes of poverty**

## Health and Nutrition

WVIH activities center on addressing key maternal, reproductive and child health and nutrition gaps that adversely affect child well-being within its programs, contributing to improving lives of Haitian children as a whole. One of the major constraints to MCHN (Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition) in the target population is poor infant and young child feeding and care practices, only 54.4% of target most vulnerable families exclusively breastfeed their infants.

Between 2016 and 2018, through a combination of rally posts, mobile clinics, as well as scheduled home visits, WVIH saw many accomplishments, including a 19.4% improvement in the number of children who were being breast-fed until 6 months of age.

Overall, 1,361 rally posts, 191 mobile clinics and 1,025 home visits were conducted, and key highlights from those include:

- WVIH dewormed more than 521,960 school-age children, through several school de-worming campaigns, with the support of MSPP. And 51,116 children under five were also provided with Vitamin A supplement.
- By working with 205 mothers clubs, through 121 mobile clinics, 6,929 mothers received lifesaving Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition messaging on breastfeeding, nutrition, and hygiene during pregnancy. These mothers were also able to access antenatal care in mobile clinics. Clubs with lactating mothers also received messages such as water treatment, diarrhea prevention, diarrhea treatment and balanced nutrition for children.
- 1,604 Under 5 Children with Severe and Moderate Acute Malnutrition (SAM/MAM) fully recovered through referral and utilization of appropriate nutriment that was provided by WVIH's health local partners. Essential micronutrient supplement was provided to health partners as resources to ensure the recovery of these children facing moderate and severe nutrition issues.

## Food Security

Many parts of Haiti are characterized by yearly seasonal food insecurities, and whenever food insecurities occur, children are among the most impacted, especially when common negative coping strategies such as skipping meals or swapping out nutritious foods for cheaper, less nutritious foods are adopted. Thus, it is frequent to find many households not consuming diversified foods, around 38.3% have access to nutritiously diversified foods (roots and tubers, vegetables, fruits, meats).

As a result, every year, WVIH is committed to sustainably address the food insecurity issues, and complement it into its nutrition programming. To achieve this, WVIH works with communities to: promote more diverse and sustainable agricultural livelihoods; facilitate savings and access to micro-credit to enable community members to plan ahead, and contribute subsidiary rural family income especially for the landless and women.

From 2016 to 2018, WVIH implemented myriad activities focusing on agricultural production to ameliorate the food insecurity situations, and in doing so, there was a 25.7% increase in the proportion of households with children who were receiving minimum dietary diversity. Other key highlights include:

- 6,100 families were able to see improvement in their agricultural productions due to distribution of improved seed variety (including pigeon peas, maize, peanut, banana suckers, etc...), and trainings on improved techniques for crop productivity and profitability. Increased productivity and profitability meant that these families were not just able to increase their families' income, but also improve dietary diversity within their households.
- In partnership with WFP, WVIH delivered 2,097 MTs of food (including cereals, beans, oil, peanuts and salt) to 222 schools, through the school feeding project. And therefore ensured that 66,600 school students had access to a hot meal when they went to school, contributing to the school retention rate, as well as improved academic performance.

## Child Protection

The most vulnerable children in Haiti are critically at risk of violence, and may be subject to trafficking, slavery (*restavek*), verbal or sexual abuse or exploitation. WVIH, through its advocacy team, has long battled, along with key stakeholders, to lobby for improved legal frameworks that protect children, as well as build a new awareness and paradigm in communities that protect children and their rights.

In 2018, WVIH continued to raise awareness of the consequences of violence against children through community structures.

- Through Citizen Voice and Action and Child Protection and Advocacy initiatives, 10 petitions on protection issues were submitted to local authorities CASEC, and Mayor by community leaders.
- 52 community child protection committee structures were supported in the development of their child protection action plan; this plan is to prevent and respond to child protection issues in their communities.
- 25 civil officers including Mayors, and local authorities, 102 midwives and 100 youth were trained by WVIH on birth registration, to promote child protection and services.
- Technical support was provided to partners (IBESR and LUMOS) to strengthen their services to the deinstitutionalized.

## It takes a World

Through its “It takes a World” campaign, WVIH was able to reach key decision makers, and influencers as well as its partners, civil society, religious leaders, staff, communities, legislators, youth groups and the media at local and national level through 30 public events to raise awareness on eliminating violence against children. Through these engagements, WVIH has been able to reach more than 2.4 million Haitians with messaging highlighting key issues of child protection.

Events included:

- Campaign launch that gathered legislators, ministers, Staff members and influencers who personally endorsed the campaign. Through live broadcast in National Public Television (TNH) around 1.5 million viewers were reached.
- 13,207 people, including families, children, youth, religious leaders, community based organizations, were sensitized on positive discipline methods.
- Four Child Protection Committees in Thomassique worked with churches leaders to conduct sensitization sessions on violence against children for about 3,500 people through a weekend long event in the community.
- 10 news articles published in Haiti’s major newspapers positioned the organization as a leader in the fight to end violence against children in Haiti.

## Partnership

At the national and departmental level, WVIH has maintained and reinforced its engagement with key collaborators, such as MSPP and DINEPA. WVIH engaged with these entities not just through project collaboration, but also through national and regional coordination meetings on the country’s priorities and progress.

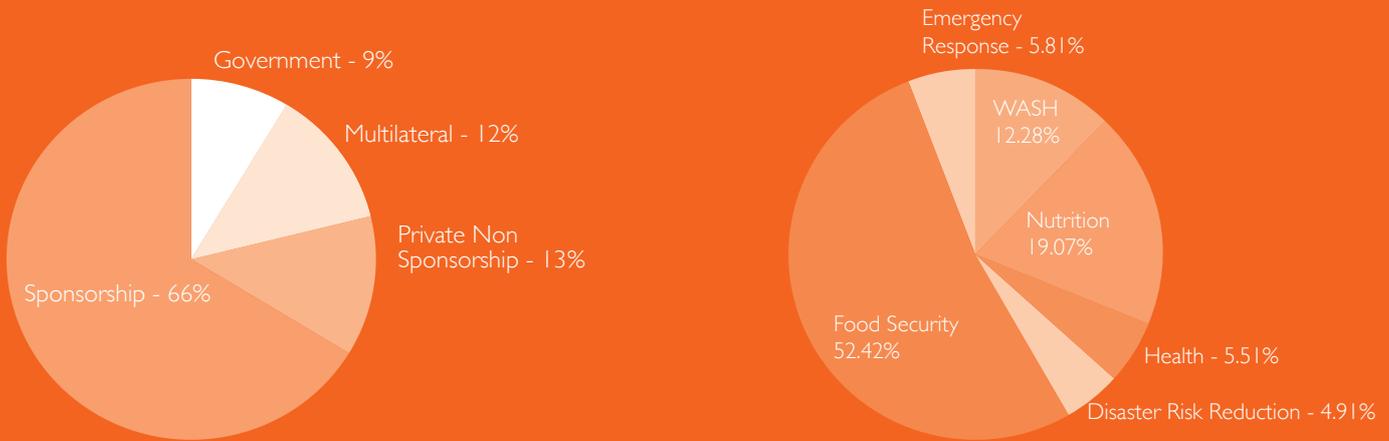
At field level, WVIH continued to work with CARE, and Medishare to reach vulnerable families with essential health and nutrition services, through rally posts, and mobile clinics. Moreover, WVIH frequently worked with OREPA, at the field level, providing technical support of all WASH infrastructures.

At the heart of all WVIH activities lies the community and faith leaders, youth groups, churches, local authorities (CASEC/ASEC), and the beneficiaries. These notable collaborators and partners offer WVIH insight on priorities, support in mobilizing community members, and ensure that the work done is sustained. WVIH continues to reinforce its messaging towards the community members regarding ownership and sustainability, securing their engagement in activities from commencement until its completion.



**Because of our community-focused solutions, for every child you help, 4 more children benefit, too**

## Our finances and footprint at a glance



**World Vision is reaching one new person with clean water every 10 seconds and reaches three more schools every day with clean water**