

COMING TOGETHER FOR EXTRAORDINARY IMPACT AGAINST COVID-19

ONE YEAR ON

GLOBAL COVID-19 RESPONSE

Our progress **over the past year**

On March 11th, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a pandemic. Within hours World Vision launched our largest-ever Global Health Emergency Response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Your generosity enabled us to adapt our programming to overcome many COVID-19 related challenges and ensure that our vital work could continue impacting lives.



60
million



26
million

60 million people, including 26 million children, have been protected from the spread and impacts of COVID-19.

Highlights:

Prevent and slow the spread of the disease



31 million

people reached through promotion of preventative public health measures



4.8 million

hand washing supplies distributed



2.7 million

comprehensive hygiene kits distributed

Support children and families' ability to survive and thrive



6.6 million

people reached with food and security assistance



1.4 million

children supported with child protection programming



2 million

people reached with emergency cash or voucher assistance

Strengthen the local health system's ability to cope



8.4 million

masks delivered to health facilities, workers and communities



4.6 million

glove sets delivered to health facilities, workers and communities



400 thousand

people supported in finding safe quarantine or isolation spaces

Collaborate and advocate to ensure vulnerable children are protected



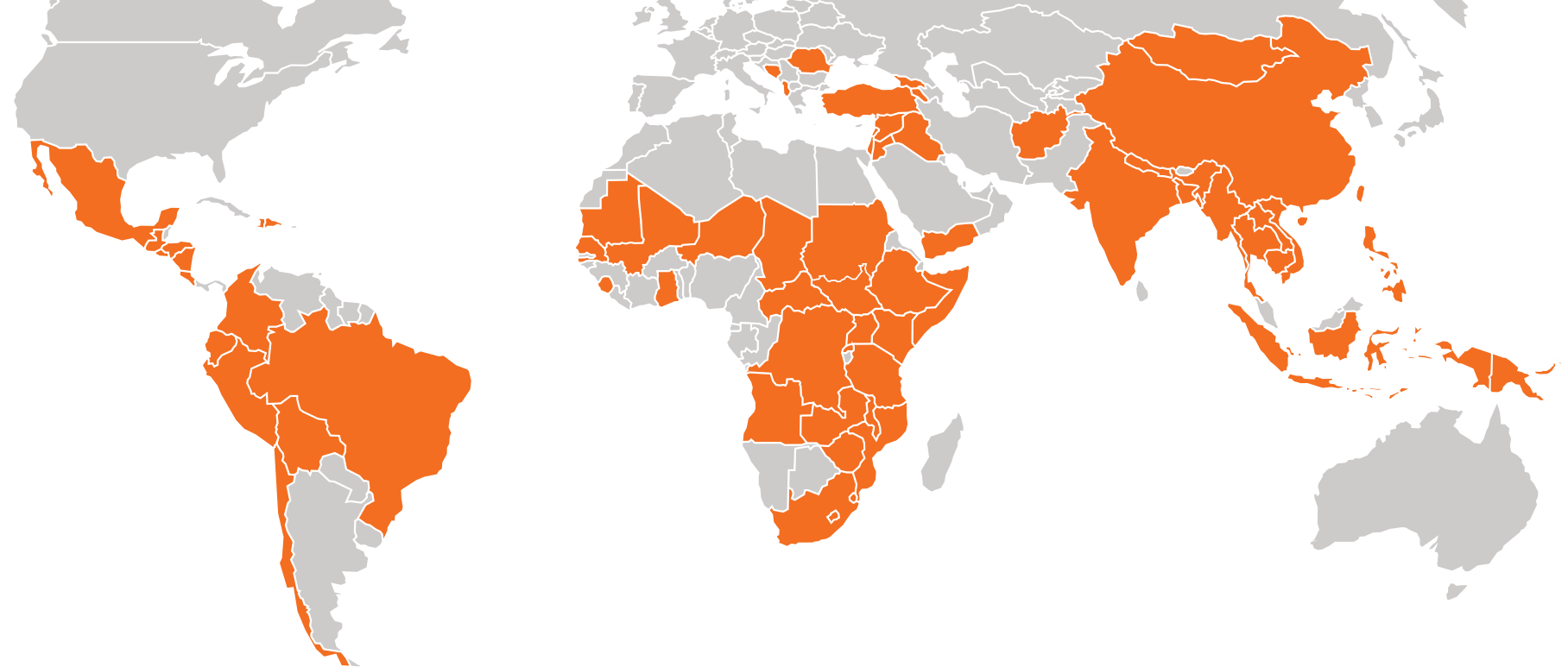
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policy changes achieved to improve the international response to COVID-19

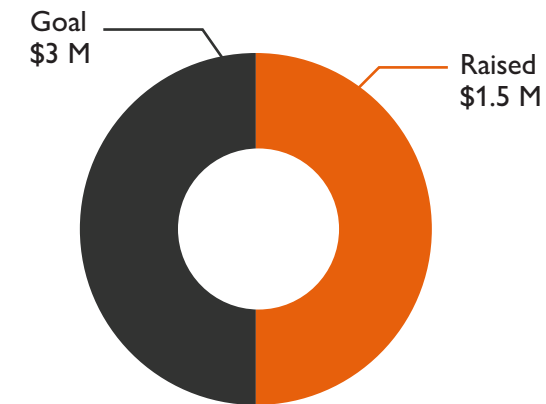


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meetings with government, community and other stakeholders to advocate for ending violence to children, which has spiked during COVID-19



GIVING TO WHERE MOST NEEDED ALLOWS OUR CORE PROGRAMS TO ADAPT AND RESPOND



GOAL \$3 MILLION

RAISED \$1.5 MILLION
50% raised

“No one is safe until everyone is safe”

Dr. Tedros, World Health Organization

The Urgent Need Continues

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, many children right now are at higher risk of violence and forced marriages, healthcare systems are strained, and families need more help than ever coping with the health, educational and economic impacts of the pandemic. Those heightened needs are being felt most urgently in our core programs, while greatly increasing the costs and difficulties of operating and responding where children's needs are the greatest. Undaunted by these challenges, in Year 1 of this pandemic, World Vision program staff responded heroically to these challenges by rapidly adapting our programming and innovating wherever it was necessary to ensure that our vital work could go on.

In Year 1 of the pandemic, our staff made many adaptations so that our programs can continue impacting lives, including:

- Implementing out of school learning
- Digitizing programs and materials
- Incorporating social distancing measures into all our food distribution, training and workshop sessions
- Adding new safety protocol training for staff and healthcare workers



VACCINES FOR EVERYONE

As countries prepare to roll out vaccines, World Vision is on the ground in some of the most vulnerable countries, poised to support those efforts by combatting grassroots fears, misinformation and potential resistance to vaccination efforts. Working alongside 250,000 community health workers, grassroots staff and 400,000 faith leaders worldwide, we will work tirelessly to ensure that the vaccines reach everyone.

As we enter Year 2 of the COVID-19 pandemic, your support is urgently needed now more than ever to help ensure that our core programs can keep adapting and responding wherever children's and communities' needs are the greatest in 2021 – needs such as:

- **Health:** More children, mothers and families are at higher risk of disease and death because they lack access to the basic necessities of life and their fragile and over-stressed healthcare systems are struggling to cope with the COVID-19 crisis. *Your support will help us continue improving health systems and providing access to health care while limiting the spread of COVID-19.*
- **Education:** 58 million children globally are not enrolled in school, and COVID-19-induced school closures have increased the risks of violence, forced marriages and child labour. *Your support can help us maintain their access to education and keep giving children and youth the opportunities they need to change their entire life trajectories and grow up to become adults who can help lift their entire community out of poverty.*

- **Poverty:** 1 in 5 children globally still live in poverty, and because of the economic impacts of this pandemic, families' livelihoods are at stake and more children are experiencing hunger and are at additional risk of violence. *Your support can help ensure that families can generate income and protect their livelihoods.*
- **Emergency Assistance:** In the world's most difficult places to be a child, the COVID-19 pandemic is threatening to strain already fragile healthcare systems and has stoked a hunger crisis not seen in recent memory. The World Food Programme calculated that COVID-19 would create an additional 121 million hungry people globally by the end of 2020, mostly in crisis-affected countries. 20 countries including Afghanistan, Somalia and South Sudan are currently suffering severe food emergencies with more than 19 million people at risk of famine. *Your support can help us meet basic survival needs such as life-saving food and nutrition, and by protecting children and addressing the root causes of poverty.*



JOIN US

Help ensure our core programs can adapt
and respond to the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic.

World Vision teams are working tirelessly on the ground to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and mitigate its aftershock impacts. As vaccines become available, our community health workers and faith leaders will be instrumental in encouraging vulnerable communities to seek this protection.

More than ever, we need your help to ensure that hungry children are fed, education goes on, children are protected and we continue to limit the spread and impacts of COVID-19 on children and communities.

**Your support to Where Most Needed
can help ensure that no child is left behind.**

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WVC COVID-19 response document: March 6, 2021

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