World Vision is concerned about the impact that the COVID-19 health crisis will have on the poorest and most vulnerable, and the risk it poses to already stretched basic social services and pre-existing high levels of food insecurity and malnutrition. This is especially the case amongst refugee and internally displaced populations.

We are active on the ground and scaling up our prevention and response work across Africa, including in fragile contexts. The coronavirus response comes on top of climate change effects such as recurrent drought, torrential floods and locust invasions – all destroying crops and livelihoods. Response work includes preventing loss of progress made towards the global Sustainable Development Goals.

World Vision urges the world to focus on the most vulnerable children, especially those living in communities with low access or weak health systems, and those already battling sickness such as tuberculosis, HIV and AIDS and malaria. They must not be left behind and funding for COVID-19 resources must not be diverted from their treatment, care and support.

World Vision is concerned with the increased incidences of violence against children in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, and warns of the long-term risk of increased child marriage and child labour. We urge Governments to ensure continued functioning of child-friendly reporting mechanisms such as SOS hotlines to enable children’s protection.

World Vision is responding to the impact of COVID-19 in 26 countries in Africa, especially in places where children and families are most vulnerable.

People Reached:

- **21,234,527**
  - **Men 6,292,588**
  - **Women 6,755,476**
  - **Children 8,186,643**
  - **Boys 3,952,001**
  - **Girls 4,234,462**

(COVID-19 case and death figures for 26 countries. Source: WHO, 14 June 2020)
**COVID-19 Emergency Response Highlights**

**RESPONSE GOAL**
To limit the spread of COVID-19 and reduce its impact on vulnerable children and families

**OBJECTIVE 1: Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of COVID-19**

- **9,809,983** People reached through promotion of preventive behaviours
- **1,212,814** Information, education, and communication materials printed and distributed
- **1,653,783** Community members provided with preventive materials
- **528,468** Handwashing supplies distributed
- **97,262** Comprehensive hygiene kits distributed
- **46,838** Cleaning kits distributed to vulnerable communities
- **58,801** Community-level public handwashing stations established or maintained
- **28,493** Water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities constructed or rehabilitated
- **49,541** Faith leaders disseminating preventive measures

*(Based on figures as of 15 June 2020)*

**OBJECTIVE 2: Strengthen health systems and workers**

- **55,638** Community health workers trained and supported
- **55,375** Medical personnel provided with personal protective equipment (PPE)
- **1,639,188** Masks distributed, including to health facilities, health workers and communities
- **1,447,952** Glove sets distributed, including to health facilities, health workers and communities
- **95,286** Disinfectant kits distributed to health care facilities
- **2,896** People supported with the securing of safe quarantine and/or isolation spaces
- **149** Quarantine and isolation spaces supported, rehabilitated or set-up
- **3,273** People provided with transportation support

*(Based on figures as of 15 June 2020)*

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**Strategic Objectives**

1. Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of disease
2. Strengthen health systems and workers
3. Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through education, child protection, food security, and livelihoods
4. Collaborate and advocate to ensure vulnerable children are protected

*(Based on figures as of 15 June 2020)*
**OBJECTIVE 3: Support for children impacted by COVID-19 through child protection, education, food security, and livelihoods**

- **418,103** People reached with information, education, and communication psychosocial support materials
- **71,274** People provided with education support or training
- **144,578** Education materials provided to enable or support remote learning
- **716,035** Children reached with targeted, age-specific health education
- **2,758,335** Teachers provided with education training and support
- **2,991** People reached with information, education, and communication psychosocial support materials

- **US$2,258,248** Cash and voucher assistance distributed
- **224,738** People reached with cash and voucher assistance
- **2,758,335** People reached with food security assistance
- **120,863** Children supported with child protection programming
- **22,690** Frontline actors reached or trained on child protection programming

- **29,145** Individuals supported with livelihoods training
- **15,789** Households provided livelihoods assets
- **2,752** Savings groups organised

*(Based on figures as of 15 June 2020)*

**OBJECTIVE 4: Collaborate and advocate to ensure vulnerable children are protected**

- **61** Global, regional and national policy changes achieved through advocacy and external engagement to improve the international responses to COVID-19
- **194** External engagements where World Vision is advocating on priorities, including ending violence against children in the context of COVID-19
- **57** External actions, including sign ons and public statements
- **225** External engagements with Tier 1 and Tier 2 stakeholders* where World Vision is chairing, presenting or leading
- **445** External engagements with faith actors where World Vision is chairing, presenting or leading

*(Based on figures as of 15 June 2020)*

*Examples of Tier 1 and Tier 2 stakeholders include WFP, WHO, Global Fund, UNICEF, UNHRC, UNOCHA, and national governments*
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