World Vision Celebrates Partnerships on World Water Day

Today is World Water Day and we celebrate our many partnerships and collaborations. In order to provide clean water access and improved sanitation and hygiene in the developing world, World Vision has a wide range of partnerships and collaborations. The most important partnerships are with local communities to co-create solutions that last and so that community members are empowered to participate, own, and continue to sustain water points and healthy behaviors after we depart. We also work with a wide variety of other local partners including with government, the private sector, and other not-for-profits. You might say that it takes a village of stakeholders to lift a community out of poverty. In addition, we work with a range of partners that provide funding, expertise, products, and services. Here’s an update on some of our key partners:

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation: Funding World Vision to provide water, sanitation and hygiene efforts in healthcare facilities in Mali ($3 million grant over 3 years) and to plan for universal water coverage
in several districts in Ghana, Mali, and Niger ($800,000 grant).

**Denver Mattress:** Providing funding for World Vision's water work and building awareness of the global water crisis in more than 100 retail stores.

**Golf Fore Africa:** Has committed $10 million to provide clean drinking water in Zambia through World Vision.

**Grundfos:** Committed with World Vision to reach 2 million people by 2021 with clean water access using Grundfos products and innovations. In FY17, 384,549 people were reached with Grundfos solar-powered pumps. World Vision is providing Grundfos water dispensing kiosks (AQ Tap Water ATMs) in eight countries to help with long-term sustainability of water points by allowing local water committees to efficiently collect fees to fund ongoing maintenance and repair.

**Messiah College:** Testing a remote monitoring system of water pump functionality using a sensor connected to mobile phone, solar power, and cloud technology; and designing a long-lasting affordable latrine liner for households.

**P&G:** World Vision provided P&G Purifier of Water packets in 13 countries in FY17 so that households have clean drinking water while we work to provide more permanent water points. In addition, World Vision partnered with P&G to provide the water packets in emergencies including the drought and famine in East Africa, flooding in Sierra Leone, and earthquake in Mexico.

**Safe Water Network:** Water kiosk collaboration started with World Vision in Ghana.

**Sesame Workshop and Stanford University:** WASH-UP! school projects launched in 10 countries with World Vision across Africa, in Honduras, and in response to the Syrian refugee crisis. The program has reached nearly 100 schools in Ghana and 152 schools in Zambia. Stanford University is evaluating the impact of the program.

**United Solar Initiative:** Trained World Vision staff in East and Southern Africa on solar-powered water systems and will provide additional training's in FY18.

**University of North Carolina Water Institute:** World Vision and UNC have a six-year partnership to monitor, learn, and improve our efforts. This includes the largest ever monitoring and evaluation effort of water, sanitation and hygiene program in 14 countries, with results available in mid 2018.

**WaterAfrica:** Funded World Vision to provide water access for 16,500 Zambians in FY16 and FY17, ahead of their five-year goal of providing water to 30,000 people by 2020.

**Wells Bring Hope:** Has provided over 475 wells with a goal of 1000 wells in partnership with World
Vision in Niger, West Africa.

**Wellspring for the World:** Funded World Vision to provide 569 wells towards their goal of providing 1,000 wells by 2020.

We're grateful for these partners and donors and all of our friends who are dedicated to solving the global water and sanitation crisis.

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**Partnership with MSR to Provide Safe Water**

World Vision has partnered with Mountain Safety Research (MSR) in an innovative approach to provide safe water in healthcare facilities and households. One of the simplest ways to have safe
water is to chlorinate it. It’s very effective in killing the bacteria and viruses that cause cholera, typhoid fever, and dysentery. The challenge is to provide chlorine in a way that is stable and readily available even in hard to reach rural communities. In response to this need, MSR and PATH co-developed the SE 200 Community Chlorine Maker as a way to simply, cheaply, and effectively provide chlorine in the developing world. World Vision empowers people to make their own chlorine solution so they don’t have to worry about transportation to rural areas or the instability of chlorine. World Vision has already used the chlorine maker in nearly a dozen countries and looks to expand that across our program over the next five years. We recently traveled to Mali to see the Community Chlorine Maker in action. Please watch this video to see how it works and the impact.

“MSR’s partnership with World Vision allows us to focus on our core-competencies of technology and product development, while allowing World Vision to focus on its core-competency of reaching their beneficiaries with innovative solutions that improve their quality of life. It’s a natural fit!”

Patrick Diller
Mountain Safety Research

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Ray Norman as Senior Director for Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) for World Vision International effective on 1 March 2018. Ray is currently the WASH Director of Faith Leadership. In his new role, Ray will provide strategic leadership and direction for the WASH field operations to maximize the WASH contribution to child well-being, the Sustainable Development Goals and to ensure operational performance that meets the sector standards and donor expectations. Ray Norman is known to many of you. He was raised in rural West Africa as a child of missionaries. He first joined WV in 1999 as National Director in Mauritania.
World Vision Partners with Clean Water Here and Pitbull

In an effort to raise awareness of the global water crisis and inspire action on World Water Day, World Vision has partnered with Clean Water Here. This year, Clean Water Here is launching a Photo Exhibit to capture images of global water and sanitation issues. Clean Water Here founder Lani Dolifka, who also serves as the CEO of Watermill Express, unveiled the Clean Water Here 1x Global Photo Exhibition at the United Nations, with singer Pitbull, the new Clean Water Here Global Ambassador. As our partner and a donor to World Vision, Mrs. Dolifka also announced a new commitment to provide 500 million gallons of clean water in the developing world over the next four years. You can learn more here.

Prayer Requests

- Please pray for the safety of our water, sanitation, and hygiene teams as they work in fragile states and unsafe areas.
- Please give praise for our donors and partners that are allowing World Vision to be the hands and feet of Jesus in helping the poor.
- Please pray for the wisdom and discernment of our leaders as we work to deepen our impact.
Please click the icons below to share this newsletter with others you know who believe that every child deserves clean water.

Dr. Greg Allgood
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