

WORLD VISION AT A GLANCE

World Vision

Building a better world for children

WHAT IS WORLD VISION?

- World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with children, families and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice.

WHAT DOES WORLD VISION DO?

- World Vision provides emergency and hunger relief, long-term community development programs, agricultural development assistance and leadership training. The organization also educates the public on poverty- and justice-related issues and advocates on behalf of the poor and children in crisis.
- A worldwide staff of more than 31,000 assists about 100 million people in nearly 100 countries throughout Africa, Eastern Europe, the Middle East, Asia and the Americas. For example:
 - **EMERGENCY RELIEF:** World Vision responded to some 75 emergencies in 2008 alone by providing food aid, basic supplies and child-protection centers. Rapid response teams reached disaster sites within 48 hours of events.
 - **HUMANITARIAN CRISES:** World Vision is responding to complex humanitarian emergencies around the globe, including Darfur, Somalia, Sri Lanka and the DRC.
 - **CHILD SPONSORSHIP:** More than 3.5 million children are assisted through sponsorship programs worldwide
 - **FOOD AID:** World Vision is the largest aid distributor for the United Nations' World Food Programme, and distributed 211,000 metric tons of food for WFP and U.S. government programs in fiscal 2008.
 - **CLEAN WATER:** In 2008, World Vision dug 245 wells in West Africa, expanding access to clean water to an additional 120,000 people in the region.
 - **HIV and AIDS:** World Vision's care and prevention work in AIDS-affected communities started in 1990 in Uganda, and is now in 60 countries, including most of sub-Saharan Africa.
 - **DEVELOPMENT:** In 2008, more than 604,000 men and women in 49 developing countries began building their own businesses with small loans received through World Vision's microfinance programs.
- In the U.S., World Vision connects and assists local leaders, churches and organizations to help families break the cycle of poverty in impoverished communities. More than 2.2 million children and adults received necessities like clothing, school supplies and building materials in 2008. Thousands of at-risk youth were mentored and tutored.
- More than 95 percent of World Vision's staff are nationals of the countries in which they serve. When possible, our programs are carried out with local partners such as community associations, national development groups and churches. World Vision serves all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity or gender.

HOW IS WORLD VISION FUNDED?

- About 77 percent of resources are donated by private individuals, corporations, churches and foundations, with the remainder from public grants. Many donors learn about World Vision through public awareness programs, church and civic campaigns, television specials and mailings.
- World Vision raised over \$2 billion globally in fiscal 2008, with over 1.1 billion of that from U.S. donors, including gifts in kind, government grants and food commodities.
- Some 3.1 million supporters, donors and partners in the United States make World Vision's work possible. Those include:

U.S. Agency for International Development	Conrad N. Hilton Foundation
The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	Cardinal Health
- In fiscal 2008, 87 percent of all donations to World Vision in the United States were used for current and future ministry programs, including overseas relief and development programs, as well as U.S. projects.