World Vision New Zealand is part of the World Vision International partnership, an independent Christian relief, development, and advocacy organisation working to overcome poverty and injustice. Collectively, the World Vision International partnership has staff and programmes operating in more than 100 countries, with 95 per cent of staff being local. This global reach provides opportunities for us to rapidly scale up best practice, to advocate for the world’s most vulnerable, and be on the ground when disaster strikes.

We are united in our desire to seek justice and overcome poverty for children everywhere. Love drives us to serve people in need regardless of race, gender, age, location, religion, or social status. It’s the heart of the Christian story that motivated our founders and continues to motivate and guide our staff and organisation today. Right now, more than 50,000 Kiwis share in World Vision New Zealand’s work – with many diverse stories that motivate them to partner with us. We are grateful for their support and are committed to enriching the connections with the people at the heart of our work, and with each other.

**Transforming children’s lives**

World Vision New Zealand is part of the World Vision International partnership, an independent Christian relief, development, and advocacy organisation working to overcome poverty and injustice. Collectively, the World Vision International partnership has staff and programmes operating in more than 100 countries, with 95 per cent of staff being local. This global reach provides opportunities for us to rapidly scale up best practice, to advocate for the world’s most vulnerable, and be on the ground when disaster strikes.

We are united in our desire to seek justice and overcome poverty for children everywhere. Love drives us to serve people in need regardless of race, gender, age, location, religion, or social status. It’s the heart of the Christian story that motivated our founders and continues to motivate and guide our staff and organisation today. Right now, more than 50,000 Kiwis share in World Vision New Zealand’s work – with many diverse stories that motivate them to partner with us. We are grateful for their support and are committed to enriching the connections with the people at the heart of our work, and with each other.

**Community development**

Creating sustainable futures for those living in extreme poverty

Most of World Vision’s community development work takes place in clusters of communities within geographic areas of 10-20,000 people. These are called area development programmes (ADPs). Over a period of 10 to 15 years, community development addresses not only immediate problems such as inadequate food and water supplies, or poor hygiene and health, but also long-term challenges such as food security, education, and economic stability.

This is the most effective way to help communities take ownership of their own development and reach self-sufficiency. Success is ultimately measured by how well the changes benefit children. In the 2016 financial year, we continued working in 34 ADPs around the world, supported primarily by child sponsors.

**Humanitarian and emergency relief**

Responding to the needs of those affected by conflict and disaster

When conflict or disaster strikes, World Vision seeks to save lives, reduce suffering, and build resilience. Around the globe, pre-positioned supplies and experienced staff are ready to respond to immediate needs such as the lack of food, water, shelter, and safe spaces for children. But our goal, wherever possible, is investing in medium- to long-term recovery and rehabilitation. Local World Vision staff members help families to rebuild their lives and restore livelihoods in ways that empower communities to become more resilient to future crises.

In the 2016 financial year, we responded to seven new and continuing emergencies in areas such as Fiji, Nepal, Syria, and South Sudan.

**Advocacy and education**

Championing the rights of the vulnerable

Advocacy takes many forms and works at different levels to bring about change. Our aim is to encourage everyone to engage in the fight against poverty and injustice.

One approach is educating communities about their rights and how to access government services. Another involves supporters speaking up on issues that can be addressed by our own government or society. Education forms the groundwork of advocacy, raising awareness and understanding about global issues that leads to sustainable social action.

In the 2016 financial year, advocating for child rights was central to much of our development and emergency relief work.

**Putting children first**

The overarching goal of all our work is the sustained well-being of children within families and communities, especially those who are most vulnerable. World Vision has developed 15 outcomes to help us track aspects of child well-being as a way of measuring the impact across all of our work.

The 15 outcomes are:

- Children are well-nourished
- Children are protected from infection, disease, and injury
- Children and caregivers access health services
- Children read, write, and use numeracy skills
- Children make good judgements, can protect themselves, manage emotions, and communicate ideas
- Adolescents are ready for economic opportunity
- Children access and complete basic education
- Children grow in their awareness of God’s love in an environment that recognises their freedom
- Children enjoy positive relationships with peers, family, and community members
- Children value and care for others and the environment
- Children have hope and a vision for the future
- Children are cared for in a loving and safe family and community environment, with safe places to play
- Parents or caregivers provide well for their children
- Children are celebrated and registered at birth
- Children are respected participants in decisions that affect their lives
World Vision New Zealand is part of the World Vision International partnership, an independent Christian relief, development, and advocacy organisation working to overcome poverty and injustice. Collectively, the World Vision International partnership has staff and programmes operating in more than 100 countries, with 95 per cent of staff being local. This global reach provides opportunities for us to rapidly scale up best practice, to advocate for the world’s most vulnerable, and be on the ground when disaster strikes.

We are united in our desire to seek justice and overcome poverty for children everywhere. Love drives us to serve people in need regardless of race, gender, age, location, religion, or social status. It’s the heart of the Christian story that motivated our founders and continues to motivate and guide our staff and organisation today. Right now, more than 50,000 Kiwis share in World Vision New Zealand’s work – with many diverse stories that motivate them to partner with us. We are grateful for their support and are committed to enriching the connections with the people at the heart of our work, and with each other.

Transforming children’s lives

World Vision New Zealand is part of the World Vision International partnership, an independent Christian relief, development, and advocacy organisation working to overcome poverty and injustice. Collectively, the World Vision International partnership has staff and programmes operating in more than 100 countries, with 95 per cent of staff being local. This global reach provides opportunities for us to rapidly scale up best practice, to advocate for the world’s most vulnerable, and be on the ground when disaster strikes.

We are united in our desire to seek justice and overcome poverty for children everywhere. Love drives us to serve people in need regardless of race, gender, age, location, religion, or social status. It’s the heart of the Christian story that motivated our founders and continues to motivate and guide our staff and organisation today. Right now, more than 50,000 Kiwis share in World Vision New Zealand’s work – with many diverse stories that motivate them to partner with us. We are grateful for their support and are committed to enriching the connections with the people at the heart of our work, and with each other.

Community development
Creating sustainable futures for those living in extreme poverty

Most of World Vision’s community development work takes place in clusters of communities within geographic areas of 10-20,000 people. These are called area development programmes (ADPs). Over a period of 10 to 15 years, community development addresses not only immediate problems such as inadequate food and water supplies, or poor hygiene and health, but also long-term challenges such as food security, education, and economic stability.

This is the most effective way to help communities take ownership of their own development and reach self-sufficiency. Success is ultimately measured by how well the changes benefit children. In the 2016 financial year, we continued working in 34 ADPs around the world, supported primarily by child sponsors.

Humanitarian and emergency relief
Responding to the needs of those affected by conflict and disaster

When conflict or disaster strikes, World Vision seeks to save lives, reduce suffering, and build resilience. Around the globe, pre-positioned supplies and experienced staff are ready to respond to immediate needs such as the lack of food, water, shelter, and safe spaces for children. But our goal, wherever possible, is investing in medium- to long-term recovery and rehabilitation. Local World Vision staff members help families to rebuild their lives and restore livelihoods in ways that empower communities to become more resilient to future crises.

In the 2016 financial year, we responded to seven new and continuing emergencies in areas such as Fiji, Nepal, Syria, and South Sudan.

Advocacy and education
Championing the rights of the vulnerable

Advocacy takes many forms and works at different levels to bring about change. Our aim is to encourage everyone to engage in the fight against poverty and injustice.

One approach is educating communities about their rights and how to access government services. Another involves supporters speaking up on issues that can be addressed by our own government or society. Education forms the groundwork of advocacy, raising awareness and understanding about global issues that leads to sustainable social action.

In the 2016 financial year, advocating for child rights was central to much of our development and emergency relief work.

Putting children first

The overarching goal of all our work is the sustained well-being of children within families and communities, especially those who are most vulnerable. World Vision has developed 15 outcomes to help us track aspects of child well-being as a way of measuring the impact across all of our work.

The 15 outcomes are:

- Children are well-nourished
- Children are protected from infection, disease, and injury
- Children and caregivers access health services
- Children read, write, and use numeracy skills
- Children make good judgements, can protect themselves, manage emotions, and communicate ideas
- Adolescents are ready for economic opportunity
- Children access and complete basic education
- Children grow in their awareness of God’s love in an environment that recognises their freedom
- Children enjoy positive relationships with peers, family, and community members
- Children value and care for others and the environment
- Children have hope and a vision for the future
- Children are cared for in a loving and safe family environment, with safe places to play
- Parents or caregivers provide well for their children
- Children are celebrated and registered at birth
- Children are respected participants in decisions that affect their lives
Investing for impact

In the 2016 financial year, World Vision New Zealand supported projects in 31 countries around the globe, many of which are among the most vulnerable according to the Human Development Index (UN Development Programme). Communities are selected based on the level of need, population size, potential risks, and community participation, among other factors.

CENTRAL AMERICA
We continued working in just two countries, allocating about 2.5 per cent of our funding for development, emergency relief, and advocacy work there.
Honduras
Nicaragua

AFRICA
Development work in this region remained a significant focus for World Vision New Zealand. We invested about half (49.3 per cent) of our funding for our development, emergency relief, and advocacy work in the following countries.
Democratic Republic of Congo
Ethiopia
Kenya
Malawi
Mali
Niger

Investment per region

- 49.3% AFRICA
- 18.7% ASIA
- 17% MIDDLE EAST/EUROPE
- 12.5% PACIFIC
- 2.5% CENTRAL AMERICA

MIDDLE EAST/EUROPE
Our work in this region has increased mostly due to the Syria refugee crisis, with refugees crossing borders into Jordan and Lebanon. We invested about 17 per cent for our funding for development, emergency relief, and advocacy work in these places.
Afghanistan
Iraq
Jordan
Lebanon
Syria

ASIA
In Asia, we invested 18.7 per cent of our funding for development, emergency relief, and advocacy work in these countries.
Bangladesh
Cambodia
India
Myanmar
Nepal
Vietnam

PACIFIC
Our work in the Pacific region has strengthened and we invested about 12.5 per cent of our funding for development, emergency relief, and advocacy work in these places.
Fiji
Papua New Guinea
Solomon Islands
Timor-Leste
Vanuatu
Investing for impact

In the 2016 financial year, World Vision New Zealand supported projects in 31 countries around the globe, many of which are among the most vulnerable according to the Human Development Index (UN Development Programme). Communities are selected based on the level of need, population size, potential risks, and community participation, among other factors.

Central America
We continued working in just two countries, allocating about 2.5 per cent of our funding for development, emergency relief, and advocacy work there.

- Honduras
- Nicaragua

Africa
Development work in this region remained a significant focus for World Vision New Zealand. We invested about half (49.3 per cent) of our funding for our development, emergency relief, and advocacy work in the following countries.

- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Ethiopia
- Kenya
- Malawi
- Mali
- Niger
- Rwanda
- South Sudan
- Sudan
- Tanzania
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

Investment per region

- 49.3% AFRICA
- 18.7% ASIA
- 17% MIDDLE EAST/EUROPE
- 12.5% PACIFIC
- 2.5% CENTRAL AMERICA

Middle East/Europe
Our work in this region has increased mostly due to the Syria refugee crisis, with refugees crossing borders into Jordan and Lebanon. We invested about 17 per cent for our funding for development, emergency relief, and advocacy work in these places.

- Afghanistan
- Iraq
- Jordan
- Lebanon
- Syria

Asia
In Asia, we invested 18.7 per cent of our funding for development, emergency relief, and advocacy work in these countries.

- Bangladesh
- Cambodia
- India
- Myanmar
- Nepal
- Vietnam

Pacific
Our work in the Pacific region has strengthened and we invested about 12.5 per cent of our funding for development, emergency relief, and advocacy work in these places.

- Fiji
- Papua New Guinea
- Solomon Islands
- Timor-Leste
- Vanuatu
Thanks to over 3,000 child sponsors, more than 36,000 people in two communities will now lead their own development journey. After years of work, it’s a great milestone to celebrate!

Aguas Azules, Nicaragua

Life for the lake-side communities of Aguas Azules was a struggle 16 years ago, with sick children, poor healthcare, and low adult literacy. Since then, with the support of New Zealand child sponsors, families now have access to safe drinking water, education for their children, and children are healthy and well-nourished. Community members have established local committees to ensure their isolated communities have ongoing sustainable access to medical care, school supplies, and other basic needs.

“Our economic development programmes in particular have really helped people. Savings groups have been set up to help school graduates and adults develop skills and earn an income. These groups have continued to grow over the years, and many members have started their own successful businesses.”

Rosanna Keam
Former World Vision New Zealand Country Programme Manager

Good news from Nicaragua and Zambia

Mporokoso, Zambia

Ten years ago, most families in Mporokoso struggled to grow enough food and their drinking water came from dirty rivers and streams. But thanks to support from child sponsors in New Zealand and Australia, and the hard work of the Mporokoso community, there have been significant changes. Improved farming techniques and piped clean water have resulted in nutritious meals and improved health.

Savings groups now provide low-interest loans to meet schooling and healthcare needs, with some families even starting their own small businesses. In October 2016, the Mporokoso Health Post opened, providing local medical care and maternity services. This community is well on its way to being able to sustain this development for themselves, and World Vision Australia will continue to support them through the final stage.

Access to clean water within 1km of home

- 35% in 2010
- 90% in 2016

Primary school-aged children enrolled in school

- 24% in 2006
- 92% in 2014

---

Child sponsors make a difference

Manurewa High School student, Auckland

Sulani travelled to the communities her school sponsors in Thailand and Cambodia. “At Manurewa High School we have a strong history with sponsoring children from Cambodia and different communities and it is an honour to be able to contribute to this and to be a part of this for three years now. I do it because as a human I believe we have an obligation to help another human, to help one another because at the end of the day we are all equal and just because someone doesn’t have the necessities that I have doesn’t make them less of a human.”

GP in Rotorua and Tokoroa, sponsors a 12 year old girl in Cambodia

When asked why his family supports World Vision and why they choose to sponsor young girls, Dr Singh Lall said, “In my culture, there is a saying from one of the prophets – why condemn those who give birth to Kings. By sponsoring girls, I am fulfilling that proverb.” Dr Singh Lall goes on to say that sponsoring girls means these girls get an opportunity to receive an education, which they wouldn’t otherwise have, and that education is power. “Giving a poor person money will not make them rich – but if you educate them, you can make them prosperous in their future life.”

Pastor of Arise Church in Wellington, child sponsor

Families at Arise Church support the people of Lipiri in Malawi, by sponsoring 468 children from this community. “That is what the community of Arise is about, it’s the belief that if you partner together with other people, don’t live your life as an island, that you can make a positive contribution to the world that’s around you. When you sponsor a child you give them life, when you sponsor a child you give them a chance to dream.”

---

Elsie 91-year-old great-great-grandmother and sponsor of seven children

Since 1982, when Elsie sponsored her first child, she’s sponsored a total of 20 children.

“I get letters. ‘Dear Nana Elsie’ which is very nice to feel they kind of regard me as a grandmother in New Zealand. I like that.”

---

Alastair Ross Farmer from Timaru, child sponsor for over 30 years

During Alastair’s lifetime he shared a love for his community, his local church, for people’s welfare, and for conservation and bush restoration. His passion has continued through a legacy to World Vision and means he is still transforming the lives of children and communities in Zambia and Sudan. Alastair’s brother, Euan Ross says, “It was so nice to receive your report and the information on how my brother’s bequest is being used by World Vision. We are pleased that it is being used in such purposeful ways, benefitting those in places where it is much needed and improving the lives of those living there.”

---

Averages monthly household income

- NZ$108 in 2001
- NZ$170 in 2016

---

Primary school-aged children enrolled in school

- 42% in 1997
- 98% in 2014

Access to clean safe water

- 30% in 1997
- 72% in 2014

Average monthly household income

- NZ$88 in 2001
- NZ$170 in 2016

---

Access to clean water within 1km of home

- 35% in 2010
- 90% in 2016

Households with enough to eat

- 28% in 2008
- 75% in 2016

Primary school-aged children enrolled in school

- 24% in 2006
- 92% in 2014

---

CLICK HERE to watch Elsie’s video

CLICK HERE to watch Sulani’s video

CLICK HERE to watch Alastair’s video

---

CLICK HERE to watch John’s video

---