

CAPACITY STATEMENT

World Vision leverages its relations, networks and foot print for better health outcomes



A World Vision supported maternal health and child (MCH) clinic in Baidoa, southern Somalia.

Background

World Vision International (WVI) has been working in Somalia for over three decades and is one of the largest international non-governmental organisations in country, providing essential health and nutrition services.

Our presence in Somalia since 1993 has allowed us to establish strong relationships with key stakeholders, including the Ministry of Health (MoH), regional and district health offices, local partners and community actors to expand health and nutrition programming nationally. World Vision is headquartered in Mogadishu, with main regional offices in Baidoa, Doolow, Garowe and Hargeisa, plus 13 additional sub-offices across Somalia.

Context overview

Somalia's health and nutrition sector is underfunded and under strain. With its weakened governance, internal conflict, and extreme weather, much of its population is struggling to meet the minimum global health standards. Somalia's health system is overburdened, weak, and fragmented, with poor health service coverage, access issues and low-quality health service delivery.

Adding to these difficulties are the limited capacity of health workers, poor infrastructure, and scarce resources. These limitations are resulting in a lack of community awareness and health-seeking behaviours among Somali people.

Overview of our Health and Nutrition geographical coverage



6 states

8 regions

24 districts



205 health facilities

169 health centres



48 mobile clinics



6 hospitals

30 primary health units



40 mobile teams

108 TB management centres
78 districts of Somalia's 90 districts

Quick highlights of our Health and Nutrition services

- These projects provide curative and preventive health and nutrition services, as well as capacity-building through 918 MoH workers based at health facilities. Given the fragile, and constantly evolving context in Somalia, World Vision strives to provide critical and tailored essential health and nutrition interventions including, the provision of medical consultation and free of charge treatment services, maternal and child health services, immunisation services, malnutrition screening and treatment for children under 5 (CU5) and pregnant and lactating women (PLW).
- Our programmes also provide health and nutrition awareness creation, supporting health facilities with essential medical and nutritional supplies, staff capacity-building, minor rehabilitation of health facilities, strengthening the health information management system and supporting early warning and response mechanisms.
- In coordination with the MoH, World Vision supports health and nutrition activities and immunisation coverage at health facilities, complemented by health and nutrition outreach services to reach vulnerable Children Under 5 and Pregnant and Lactating Women.
- World Vision supports the MoH through the provision of staff incentives/salaries, health system strengthening, supply chain management of essential health and nutrition supplies.
- We also work to strengthen cold chain systems by installing and maintaining solar systems at health facilities, providing technical support and capacity-building to facility-level staff, supportive supervision, and on-site trainings.
- World Vision also works to strengthen the overall health information system (DHIS2), to improve the recording and reporting of health systems including improved enrolment, tracing of absentees and dropouts, from support programmes, and helping people to access essential health and nutrition services through use of innovative technologies.
- While strengthening routine immunisation services at static health facilities, WVI also supports the supplementary immunisation programme through its health facilities and mobile teams to strengthen community mobilisation and awareness creation to target the hard-to-reach groups (zero-dose, under-immunised and missed communities).

Partnership with the Global Fund to combat TB

World Vision has been the principal funding recipient of the Global Fund's Tuberculosis (TB) Control programme in Somalia since 2005, partnering with the Ministry of Health and other implementing partners to deliver TB control and support services across Somalia and Somaliland.

The Global Fund programme is supporting 105 TB management units in 78 out of 90 districts across Somalia and Somaliland.



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