



# Together for Children

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# Who We Are

World Vision is a global community of millions of people working together to change the lives of vulnerable children. Our supporters, partners and staff join forces with struggling families to help their children lead lives free of need and full of promise.

By uniting with others who share our vision, we care for children in emergency situations. We help protect them from violence, abuse and neglect. We use world-class and proven development methods to bring food, water, education and economic changes that will impact generations to come.

We challenge the injustice that robs children of the chance to be all God created them to be. As a Christian organisation, our constant prayer is that the well-being of the world's children and their fullness of life becomes a reality.

World Vision is registered as a charity under the Singapore Charities Act and was registered in Singapore on 6 August 1981 as a branch office of World Vision International under the Companies Act. We are incorporated under the laws of Monrovia, California, USA, with limited liability and the Articles of Incorporation and bylaws are our constitutive documents.

## **Singapore Charities Act Registration No.:**

0377

## **Singapore Companies Act Registration UEN No.:**

S81FC3015E

## **Bankers:**

DBS Bank  
Standard Chartered

## **Lawyers:**

Allen & Gledhill

## **Auditors:**

KPMG LLP  
Certified Public Accountants

## **Singapore Advisory Council, with date of appointment:**

Hank Du, WVI President's Representative, 1 June 2014  
Liew Heng San, Chairman, 20 June 1990  
Lau Peet Meng, Deputy Chairman, 19 July 2012  
Choo Cheh Hoon, 15 November 1999  
(retired on 1 February 2019)  
Soon Sze Meng, 17 May 2013  
Nicholas Khoo, 28 August 2014  
Michelle Cheo, 9 June 2015



## Our Vision

Our vision for every child,  
life in all its fullness;  
Our prayer for every heart,  
the will to make it so.

## Our Core Values

We are Christian  
We are committed to the poor  
We value people  
We are stewards  
We are partners  
We are responsive



# Chairman's Message

In our financial year 2018, approximately 83% of funds raised went directly to field programmes. Thanks to your generosity, 755,060 people in 15 countries across Asia, Africa and the Middle East were helped. In addition, your donations to life-saving aid and longer term interventions went towards helping 2,416,200 people in disaster zones.

Dear friends,

This is World Vision's 36th year of operations in Singapore. In our early years, we started small: Showing humanitarian love towards Vietnamese boat people and children adrift in perilous seas. Then and now, we are blessed with the capacity to help materially. Indeed, the Bible reminds us that it is more blessed to serve than to be served.

There has never been a better time in human history to engage in tackling poverty

and injustice. Together, we have the opportunity and means to bring lasting improvement to the lives of millions of the world's poorest children.

You may ask: Can I really make a difference? There is clear evidence that collectively we make a significant difference.

Globally, two billion more people have access to safe drinking water than in 1990. Over the past 25 years, the proportion of people in the world living in extreme

poverty has fallen from over 30% to less than 10% today. As you browse this annual report, you will encounter similar statistics.

Beyond these numbers, may the stories of children and families living in extremely difficult circumstances triumphing over their struggles inspire you to partner with us in this ministry of overcoming poverty. Together we can give more children a pathway to live life in all its fullness.

All these changed lives would not have been possible without God who provides through your generosity. Once again, from all of us at World Vision, we thank you, the churches, youth, companies and inspiring individuals who have walked this journey of faith with us! We hope that you will be moved by our beneficiaries' resilience

and be impacted by the evidence of your giving as you continue to partner with World Vision in our ministry of love.

In the words of 1 John 3:18, "let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." God bless you.

Yours sincerely,



*Liew Heng San*  
Chairman,  
Advisory Council  
World Vision Singapore

## Our Promise: Our Strategic Imperatives



Deepening our commitment to the most vulnerable children



Focusing our ministry for greater results



Collaborating and advocating for broader impact



Delivering high quality, sustainable funding



Living out our Christian faith and calling with boldness and humility

# Global Presence

In FY18, donations from Singapore went towards impacting more than 3 million people through World Vision's ministry.



**755,060**

people in 15 countries across Asia, Africa and the Middle East have better lives because of our development work in nutrition and healthcare, clean water and sanitation, education, economic livelihoods and more.

**2,416,200**

people in disaster zones received life-saving aid or benefitted from longer term interventions that help children, families and communities to recover, rebuild, and be more resilient to future shocks.



Bangladesh

- Myanmar-Bangladesh Refugee Crisis



Cambodia

- Kirivong Area Programme
- Street Children Transformation Project



China

- Yaozhou Area Programme
- Yongsheng Area Programme
- Care and Protection for Children with Disabilities
- Enhancing Early Childhood Education Project



Ethiopia

- Yaya Gulele Area Programme
- Disaster Preparedness for Drought-Prone Areas
- East Africa Hunger Crisis



India

- Adolescent Girls as Agents of Change Project
- Increasing Quality of Education for Secondary School Girls



Indonesia

- Ende Area Programme
- Lombok Earthquake Relief & Recovery
- Sulawesi Earthquake-Tsunami Response



Jordan

- Syria Crisis Response



Kenya

- East Africa Hunger Crisis



Laos

- Emergency Flood Relief



Lebanon

- Syria Crisis Response



Lesotho

- High School Bursary Project



Mongolia

- Selenge Area Programme
- Uvurkhangai Area Programme



Myanmar

- Hpa-An Area Programme
- Emergency Flood Relief



Nepal

- Sindhuli East Area Programme



Philippines

- Antique Area Programme
- Bohol Area Programme
- Scholarship Fund for Promising College Students
- Typhoon Mangkhut Relief & Recovery



Somalia

- East Africa Hunger Crisis



South Sudan

- East Africa Hunger Crisis



Sri Lanka

- Lindula Area Programme



Syria

- Syria Crisis Response



Thailand

- Bo Kluea Area Programme



Vietnam

- Son Tra Area Programme
- Tien Lu Area Programme
- Anti-Trafficking Project
- Child-Friendly Learning Centre
- Emergency Medical & Nutrition Care for Vulnerable Children
- Integrated Microfinance Project
- Typhoon Evacuation Shelters



West Bank

- South Hebron Area Programme



Zambia

- Musosolokwe Area Programme
- School Building Project
- Anti-HIV/AIDS Project





# Transformed Communities

- Nutrition & Healthcare
- Clean Water & Sanitation
- Education
- Economic Livelihoods
- Child Protection & Gender Equality
- Faith & Development
- Children in Crisis
- Disaster Response

# Nutrition & Healthcare

Over the last five years, 89% of the severely malnourished children we treated made a full recovery\*.

Around the world, children are dying before they have a chance to live, from treatable illnesses or outbreaks that devastate entire communities. World Vision focuses on three essential ways to improve health and reduce mortality: good nutrition, protection from infection and disease and access to essential health services.

\* Based on 261,028 children under five years old treated for Severe Acute Malnutrition from 2013 to 2017 in World Vision's Community-Based Management of Acute Malnutrition programmes. The average recovery or cure rate over this five-year period was 89.8%.



In FY18, these countries benefitted from nutrition and healthcare interventions: Cambodia, China, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Mongolia, Vietnam, West Bank, Zambia

## Mongolia Uvurkhangai Area Programme

Prevalence of infectious diseases like diarrhoea, hepatitis and influenza

**FY17: 67.4%**



**FY18: 47.1%**



## Vietnam Tien Lu Area Programme

Children below 2 who receive proper nutrition

**FY17: 85.2%**



**FY18: 87.7%**



**3,108 children** in **Mongolia** were taught how to protect themselves from common infectious diseases



**450 mothers & caregivers** in **Vietnam** benefitted from nutrition clubs, home visits and consultations



**250 pregnant mothers and children under 2** in the **West Bank** benefitted from trained Community Health Workers



**236 households with children under 2** in **Indonesia** were trained in proper feeding practices





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## Children Are Free of Malnutrition

Three years ago, no one in Ms Huong's village in Vietnam knew the importance of having nutritious meals. Many children in the community were malnourished.

"My daughter was seriously underweight. She ate very little and sometimes did not eat at all, so some days, I only fed her one meal," says Ms Huong whose daughter is 2 years old.

To improve the nutrition of children, World Vision introduced a nutrition club that conducted cooking classes and provided underprivileged families with egg-laying chickens.

Mothers and caregivers were educated on the importance of diet diversity and families with malnourished children received monthly consultations and home visits to monitor their growth.



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**"I used to cook the same dish every day. Now, I understand that I should change the recipe every day so as to increase the nutrition uptake for my kids. My 3 year old now looks much healthier than one year ago," says Ms Vien, a mother in the community.**

- 01 Families in Vietnam are better equipped to meet the nutritional needs of their children.
- 02 Livestock support is also provided to families so that children can benefit from chicken eggs.

# Clean Water & Sanitation

World Vision is reaching one new person with clean water every 10 seconds<sup>†</sup>.

As the largest non-governmental provider of clean water in the developing world, our goal in alignment with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals is to reach everyone in every community where we work – including those in the hardest-to-reach places – by 2030. For children, this means freedom from the burden of walking miles for dirty water, and protection from water-borne diseases that kill nearly 1,000 children under five each day.

<sup>†</sup> Based on an average of 2.86 million people per year from 2013-2017 who were reached with access to clean water.



In FY18, these countries benefitted from clean water and sanitation interventions: Cambodia, China, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Mongolia, Sri Lanka, Zambia

## Cambodia Kirivong Area Programme

Families with clean water to drink

**FY17: 73.7%**



**FY18: 84.0%**



## Indonesia Ende Area Programme

Households with clean drinking water facilities

**FY16: 56.8%**



**FY18: 82.2%**



**8,461 people**

in **Zambia** gained access to clean drinking water



**1,848 primary students**

in **Cambodia** have clean water to drink in school



**200 pre-school children**

in **China** benefitted from water purification systems built in their kindergarten



**159 households**

in **Indonesia** have clean water thanks to a water pipe system





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## Water Changes Everything

In Ende, Indonesia, the locals used to struggle with broken water pipes. "In the past, we had to take water from the river. It was 30 minutes away and we made the trip three to four times every day to get enough water for our daily needs," says Helmin, a mother of two.

"I was always worried that my children would get into an accident or be late for school because of fetching water."

As a water committee member, Helmin is involved in managing and maintaining the facilities. She hopes that her fellow villagers will take good care of the new water pipe system as it is very valuable to the community.



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01 Helmin's community now has clean water to drink.

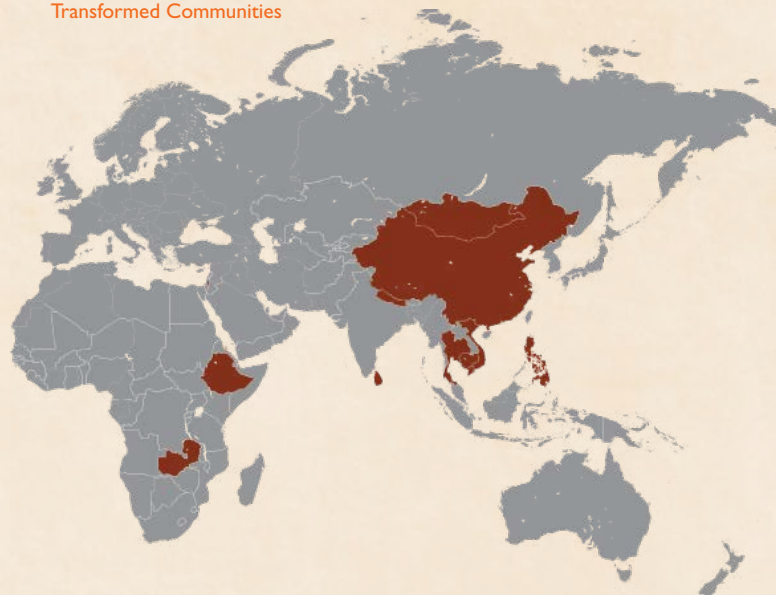
02 "I am very happy because I can wash my hands and keep myself healthy," says Pedro, 10, who lives in Ende.

**"Now that we have a new water system, we have taps in each of our homes. Our children have more time to study," says Helmin, a mother of two.**

# Education

More than four million children in more than 60 countries were reached with age-appropriate, quality education programmes and services.

To help children attain core cognitive, emotional, social and life skills, our education strategy involves “Education for Life” and spans across three age groups: early childhood, primary school and adolescents. Through our Unlock Literacy programme, World Vision has increased the reading comprehension skills of girls and boys by up to 35% when compared with similar schools that did not implement it.



In FY18, these countries benefitted from education interventions: Cambodia, China, Ethiopia, Mongolia, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam, West Bank, Zambia

## Thailand

### Bo Kluea Area Programme

Primary students with functional reading, writing and numeracy skills

**FY13: 42.4%**



**FY18: 66.2%**



## China

### Enhancing Early Childhood Education Project

Pre-schoolers prepared for primary school

**FY16: 52.8%**



**FY18: 84.4%**



**2,518 parents & caregivers**

in **Nepal** were trained on how to support their children's studies



**1,700 children**

in **Ethiopia** benefitted from weekly sessions at 34 reading camps



**550 youth**

in **Thailand** benefitted from vocational and occupational education related to chicken raising, herbal balm making and livelihood programmes



**370 parents & caregivers of children aged 4 – 6**

in **China** were trained on foundational life skills and pre-literacy and pre-numeracy skills, with their children





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## Learning is No Longer a Struggle

"I don't have books to read at home, but sometimes my mother tells me stories and I would listen eagerly," says John, 9, who lives in Antique, Philippines. He is among the 95 students in his school who face significant challenges in learning and have problems with comprehension.

This year, he was able to attend remedial classes at World Vision's learning hub that is equipped with learning materials to improve literacy and numeracy.

Teachers who facilitated the sessions were also trained on how to support these students better and adapt to the learning styles of the pupils to aid their development.

After three months at the learning hub, John's comprehension skills have improved significantly!

In his free time, John is also able to visit the learning hub to read and interact with his friends.



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01 Children in the Philippines receive school kits so they have the necessary materials to learn.

02 Children are able to attend learning hubs run by trained facilitators to improve their literacy and numeracy.

**Out of the 95 students in John's school who faced significant challenges in learning, 30 of them are now able to get passing scores in their assessments!**

# Economic Livelihoods

Every 60 seconds, a family receives the tools to overcome poverty‡.

Children under 13 make up half of the world's extreme poor, and poverty has a devastating impact on their development. World Vision is working to break the cycle of intergenerational poverty through temporary cash assistance, savings groups, secure livelihoods, improved market access, sustainable employment and empowering women through economic opportunities.

‡ Based on 829,002 new households reached in 2016, 1 new household is reached every 38 seconds, equivalent to 1.6 households every 60 seconds.



In FY18, these countries benefitted from economic livelihood interventions: Cambodia, Ethiopia, Mongolia, Nepal, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam

## Ethiopia Yaya Gulele Area Programme

Families able to diversify their income

**FY16: 21.7%**



**FY18: 42.6%**



## Philippines Antique Area Programme

Families able to provide for their children's basic needs

**FY17: 65.0%**



**FY18: 95.0%**



**13,619 households**

in **Vietnam** were able to access microfinance services like microloans and financial literacy training



**1,620 children**

in **Mongolia** benefitted from savings groups that their families joined



**1,441 households**

in **Ethiopia** benefitted from improved agricultural technologies to increase their yield



**266 families**

in the **Philippines** received agricultural inputs for raising pigs, goats, fish and growing rice and vegetables



## An Empowered Life

"In the past, my family was poor and it was difficult to support our children," says Sokha, a mother of six.

"We migrated from place to place trying to earn a living. I was a garbage buyer and my husband was a construction worker. Due to our low income, after paying for our rental house, electricity, water and food, we would have no savings left."

Sokha's family also tried earning an income as farmers in a remote province with little access to schools and hospitals, but were unsuccessful and ended up moving back to their own town. They did not have their own land and had to stay in a shelter.



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Because of all this, their children did not attend school regularly.

Thankfully, they were identified as a most vulnerable family by World Vision and received school support and treatment when one of their children had to be hospitalised. World Vision also trained them on raising animals and growing plants to support their family, in addition to providing them with a mobile pushcart to sell sugarcane juice for income.



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**"Our family life is better than before. I also joined a savings group to support my children's studies and now we are prepared against any risks. In the future, I want to grow my income so that my children can have a better quality of education and find a good job when they grow up," says Sokha's husband.**

- 01 Families in Cambodia are supported in growing crops and in animal husbandry to earn a stable income.
- 02 With a stable income, families are able to provide for the basic needs of their children, ensuring they have enough to eat, are healthy and can attend school.

# Child Protection & Gender Equality

We help communities protect children from harm, exploitation and gender discrimination, and ensure those affected receive the help needed to recover.

Our current campaign to End Violence Against Children aims to positively impact hundreds of millions of the most vulnerable children by 2021. We are equipping families with positive parenting skills, engaging husbands and fathers to play a leading role in combating violence against children and empowering children and youth to protect themselves and those around them.

## Standing Up Against Child Marriage

Lovepreet comes from a poor family in Faridkot, India. She has a sickly brother who requires regular medical treatment and surgery for hydrocephalus, costing the family up to \$60 each month.

Lovepreet wished to ease her family's burden but knew she would not be able to get a good job because of her limited educational qualifications.

For girls like Lovepreet in Faridkot, they face limited opportunities for school and work due to gender discrimination. They are also at high risk of child marriage as families can demand a high price for dowry.

Through World Vision's help, Lovepreet was able to enrol in Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery and General Nursing Midwifery courses with 14 other girls. Today, she is working in the Civil Hospital.

Instead of being a burden, she is now able to help her family by contributing her income!



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01 Through child clubs and adolescent girl clubs, girls are empowered to protect themselves and be free from gender discrimination.

02 Lovepreet now works at the Civil Hospital and can contribute to the family income.



### 4,200

**caregivers in Vietnam** were equipped with Safe Migration and Human Trafficking Prevention Awareness training as well as positive parenting skills to improve their relationship with their children and keep them safe from trafficking and exploitation



### 1,290

**girls in India** benefitted from 63 adolescent groups that empower them with knowledge and skills on reproductive health, leadership, child marriage, domestic violence, saving, peacebuilding and career development



### 120

**boys in India** were educated on physical, mental and social changes during adolescence and how to deal with peer pressure and risky behavior



### 1,200

**people in China** were educated on child protection, anti-domestic violence and positive discipline



### 1,320

**children in 5 schools in the West Bank** were taught about child rights, child protection and cyber-safety



# Faith & Development

We partner with faith communities to value, protect and nurture children holistically.

Our Christian faith is central to who we are, and we follow Jesus' example in working alongside the poor and oppressed, regardless of religion. Together with local faith leaders and communities, we seek justice and overcome poverty for all children, everywhere. We're led by three overarching principles: working with God to renew His world, living out the compassion of Christ, advocating for the least, the last and the lost.

Through programmes like Celebrating Families and Channels of Hope, World Vision works with faith partners to impart knowledge and skills in child protection, positive parenting, spiritual nurture of children, maternal and child health, gender equality and more.

**“I have to thank God for giving this opportunity for our church to serve Him. We do not work only in the church, but also with World Vision, the community and society. God has called us to be salt and light. We work with children of church members, but also with friends who have different beliefs from us,” says Pastor Thinwana, from Mae Taeng, Thailand.**



World Vision believes in the holistic development of children, from meeting their physical needs to growing their faith.



## 1,994

**children in the Philippines** enhanced their reading and learning skills; They also learnt positive life values such as self-confidence, respecting others and caring for the environment, through Vacation Bible School programmes



## 450

**children in Zambia** were able to participate in spiritual nurture activities that strengthened the family's love and unity through learning about positive discipline and developing their ability to forgive



## 148

**boys and girls in Cambodia** participated in spiritual nurture activities in partnership with local churches, improving their peace of mind, practising love and care for others and learning how to live in harmony

# Self-Reliant Communities

We ensure basic needs are met while empowering beneficiaries to be self-sufficient. On average, our work in each community lasts for 15 years before we phase out to help other areas still in need.

## 153,493 Lives Transformed in Bohol, Philippines

Before World Vision started work in Bohol, almost half of the population lived below the poverty line. It was common to find children living in squatter settlements located along flood-prone riversides. Children were malnourished and deprived of education. Many dropped out of school to find manual work to help support their families.

World Vision's area development programme started in 2000, and we planned to phase out in 2015. However, a devastating 7.2-magnitude earthquake struck Bohol in 2013, and the programme was extended to support immediate response

and long term recovery efforts, including improving disaster resilience and building sustainable sources of income for families.

Our efforts in fostering strong partnerships with the government and other local organisations were highly regarded, and we were awarded 'Outstanding Civil Society Organizaton' by the Philippines Provincial Government in 2013.



Romie and his family are now able to support themselves.

**"I didn't have a proper source of income and couldn't support my family. Despite trying to start a livestock business twice, I failed. With the skills picked up at World Vision's economic livelihood training, we managed to multiply the 20 chickens given to us to more than 100! Now, my family enjoys a stable income and I can afford my children's school expenses," says Romie, 45, a farmer.**



**95%**

of children assisted are now able to pass their examinations



Family incomes have increased more than

**threefold**



**83%**

of the community now has access to clean water



# Self-Reliant Communities

## 25,332 Lives Changed in Hpa-An, Myanmar

Hpa-An had been riddled with poverty for decades. Located near the border, many villagers migrated to Thailand in search of work, leaving their children behind. This, coupled with a limited understanding of child rights, resulted in many children growing up neglected and uncared for. Due to the highly mobile population, cross-border problems like child labour, trafficking and HIV/AIDS were

common. Poor families also struggled with the cost of education. As a result, many children dropped out of school to find work instead.

World Vision's early interventions in the community focused on trafficking and the prevention and care of HIV/AIDS. In subsequent years, we expanded our work to help children and families in the areas of education, health and nutrition, economic livelihoods, community capacity building and child protection.



Children in Hpa-An are educated for life.



More than

**20,000**

people are benefitting from improved healthcare services



More than

**2,800**

children are benefitting from primary school renovation and teacher training



Average yearly incomes of families increased from

**\$460**

to

**\$1,320**

# Self-Reliant Communities

With just one primary school in her village, Nan Su (pictured right, teaching her brother to read) had to walk more than an hour to another village for middle and high school.

Though she faced many difficulties, Nan Su desired to become a teacher and was determined to continue her education. She persisted and tried to attend school regularly even as her family struggled to get by.

When World Vision started our development journey in Hpa-An, her family was identified as among the most vulnerable. To improve their economic status, we provided the family with two

piglets and trained them to rear and sell pigs.

With the additional income, Nan Su's parents purchased a bicycle so she could ride to school, shortening the travel time to less than 20 minutes. This gave Nan Su more time to study and to complete her education.

Now, Nan Su is 17 years old and has graduated from high school. She intends to enrol as a pre-school teacher and attend training organised by World Vision. Her family is economically independent today and she is grateful to all our donors for giving both her and her family hope and an empowered life!

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Education is now more accessible to children in Nan Su's village.



# Children in Crisis

On top of community development, we are deepening our commitment to the most vulnerable children through projects addressing child labour, trafficking and other forms of child abuse and exploitation.

## More than 8,000 children and 8 trafficking victims in Vietnam reached through anti-trafficking projects

Dien Bien, Vietnam, has a poverty rate of 44% – much higher than the national average of 10%. For children and adolescents growing up under such circumstances, the attraction of working overseas is hard to resist.

Due to its proximity to the China border, the province has the highest number of trafficked victims in the entire country, with children and youth being subject to sexual exploitation, child labour and forced marriage without a chance of returning home.



## 24 trafficking victims

including 8 who were rescued in FY18, were rehabilitated and received further support including psychosocial care, the provision of cows for breeding and training on livelihoods, business, financial literacy, communication and leadership



## 40 key stakeholders

from the local government, law enforcement and community leadership attended workshops led by WorldVision to develop clear action plans to implement anti-trafficking measures in 12 communes in Dien Bien



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## More than 8,000 children from 63 villages

were educated on protection from exploitation, safe migration and human trafficking prevention



## More than 4,200 parents & caregivers

were equipped with positive parenting skills and awareness training to keep their children safe from harm



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01 Through child clubs, children are taught how to stay safe from exploitation.

02 Key community stakeholders came together to formalise an anti-trafficking action plan.

03 Trafficked victims received full support for their rehabilitation including psychosocial counselling and livelihood support, such as cows and animal husbandry training for a sustainable income.

# Children in Crisis

## 2,004 boys and girls who are currently engaged in or at risk of child labour in Mongolia were impacted

In Mongolia, 15.9% of 5 – 17 year old children surveyed were engaged in some form of economic activity<sup>1</sup>. Frequent natural disasters destroy livelihoods and poverty in the household drives children to work to support their families. There was also a lack of awareness on child rights.

World Vision is working in Selenge, Mongolia, to protect children from abuse, exploitation and other forms of violence against children, while reducing poverty levels in the community.

<sup>1</sup>Report of National Child Labour Survey, International Labour Organization and National Statistical Office of Mongolia, 2013



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01 Home visits are conducted to monitor the well-being of at-risk children.

02 Herder families vulnerable to loss of income during harsh winter months are trained on climate smart agriculture and livestock management.

Our interventions in the past year focused on children's protection and well-being, as well as strengthening the disaster resilience and livelihoods of their families so that there are other options besides putting children through hazardous jobs:



**14,727**  
community members

were trained on disaster risk reduction



**600**  
parents and children  
were educated on child care and protection, including positive discipline skills



**67**  
community members

were trained in the Home Visitor approach where they visit at-risk families and link them up with social services



**8**  
schools  
were provided with educational supplies and emergency response training



# Disaster Response

World Vision's global emergency response capacity means we can deliver life-saving aid immediately and then journey alongside children, families and communities to help them recover and rebuild.

In FY18, donations from Singapore went towards our global disaster response efforts to help **2,416,200 people** affected by disasters:

**1,516,500 people**  
in the East Africa Hunger Crisis

**623,800 people**  
in the Syria Crisis

**217,000 people**  
in the Myanmar-Bangladesh  
Refugee Crisis

**18,930 people**  
in Ethiopia's Drought-Prone  
Areas

**18,700 people**  
in Indonesia's Lombok  
Earthquake

**6,700 people**  
in Philippines' Typhoon Mangkhut

**5,700 people**  
in Myanmar's Flood

**4,330 people**  
in Laos' Flood

**2,540 people**  
in Vietnam's Typhoon-Prone  
Areas

**2,000 people**  
in Indonesia's Sulawesi  
Earthquake-Tsunami



**Disaster Risk  
Reduction Training**



**Distribution of Relief  
Items (shelter, food,  
winter clothing,  
mosquito nets,  
health kits)**



**Psychosocial Care for  
Children and Their  
Families**



**Infrastructure for  
Water, Sanitation and  
Healthcare**



**Temporary Learning  
Centres &  
Child-Friendly Spaces**

## A New Lease of Life for Roshida's Family with Clean Water & Nutrition

In August 2017, Roshida and her family were violently uprooted from their home in Myanmar. Her husband was killed while attempting to escape. With no time to grieve, Roshida instantly became a single parent and faced the harsh realities of protecting her children's lives as they fled their home. Now, her family lives in a one-room shelter in Bangladesh, in the world's largest refugee camp.

The lack of access to clean water and sanitation in the camp has heightened the family's misery. "It is a sinking feeling when you are unable to provide even basic needs for your children. There were no toilets, no wells. It was all jungle and puddles," she recalls. "A muddy stream was our only source of water. We had to find some bushes for cover when we went to relieve ourselves. I couldn't send my children alone because there were rumours that they could be abducted."



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Given the squalid conditions in the camp, Roshida worried about risks to her children's health, especially water-borne diseases. She and her daughter contracted dysentery.

For the foreseeable future, the camp is home to Roshida and her children. This young widow says she appreciates the sanitation improvements that have made life in this harsh place a little more bearable. Just down the hill from their shelter, World Vision installed a deep-tube well and pump, a latrine and a

community bathing cubicle for women and girls.

"Over the past year, I've seen many changes around me," observes Roshida. "Having a bathing space close to our shelter now is convenient. I feel much safer. World Vision also gave us soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, a water jar and a bucket."

Each morning, her 5-year-old and 3-year-old attend World Vision's child-friendly space where they can play, learn and heal in a safe

**"My children share things they learn in class. It gives me joy to see my children learn these new things. We can protect ourselves better if we have knowledge," says Roshida.**

environment, as well as benefit from hygiene lessons.

As she weaves her life back together again, Roshida's priority remains providing a safe environment for her children so they have a chance of having a healthy, productive life.

01 Roshida and her family now have clean water to drink.

02 Refugee mothers, with their children, can use vouchers to receive fresh food.

World Vision's impact in water, sanitation, health and nutrition for refugees in the Myanmar-Bangladesh Refugee Crisis included:



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**158,000 beneficiaries** benefitting from hygiene kits, chlorination tablets to purify water; hygiene promotion sessions, new deep-tube wells and repairs to existing tube wells.

**35,800 adolescent girls and women** receiving dignity kits that included hygiene and sanitary items.

**30,535 children and mothers** receiving nutrition support such as malnutrition screening, food vouchers and training in nutritional and psychosocial care to meet the specific needs of child refugees.





Jawin and his family are eagerly looking forward to the day their house is fully repaired.

## A New Home & Hope for Jawin

10-year-old Jawin is excited to have his house repaired after Typhoon Mangkhut damaged it badly last September.

With maximum sustained winds of 205 km/h, the typhoon decimated more than 200,000 houses and large areas of agricultural land. Jawin's father is

a tricycle driver and supplements his income by working on a rice field. Due to the damage from Typhoon Mangkhut, he feared he could only grow half the amount of his usual harvest and would be unable to pay off his loans.

World Vision started working in their community days after the

**“The materials we received for the house will help me fully repair it in just a week. It is more than what I can afford even if I worked for two months” says Jawin’s father.**

typhoon hit. Initial interventions included provision of kitchen sets and other non-food items like blankets, plastic mats and mosquito nets, to complement the government's relief efforts. Recently, Jawin's family received shelter repair materials.

“The materials we received for the house will help me fully repair it in just a week. It is more than what I can afford even if I worked for two months,” says Jawin's father. This will also save him from borrowing more money and getting trapped in a cycle of debt.

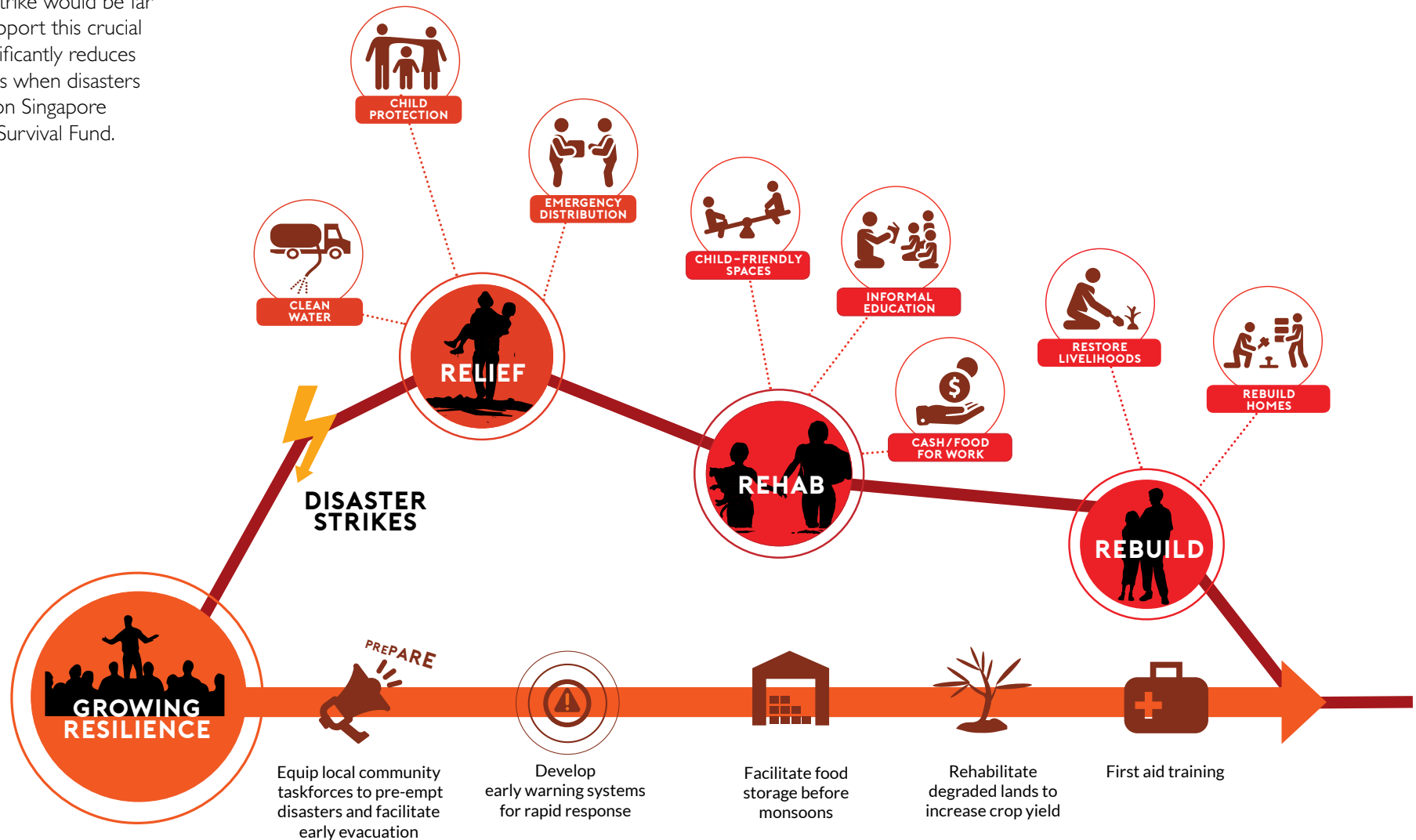
To further help families like them, World Vision provided labour support through cash-for-labour interventions. World Vision also hired skilled carpenters to provide guidance and help the families in the rebuilding works.

“I want my children to grow in our own home, where they can freely run around and where they will feel safe,” says Jawin's father. “I also now feel more confident that I can provide for my children's needs in school,” he adds.

## The Survival Fund

Our disaster response efforts are both pre-emptive and remedial – after all, acting only when catastrophes strike would be far too late. To support this crucial work that significantly reduces the loss of lives when disasters hit, World Vision Singapore launched The Survival Fund.

We employ a holistic approach that is unique in securing the well-being of children every step of the way:





# Together

- Youth & Schools
- Churches
- Corporate Partners
- Individuals
- Volunteers
- Celebrities



# Youth & Schools

World Vision mobilises youth to be the change they wish to see in their communities.

## Backpack Challenge

World Vision's flagship youth event, the 30 Hour Famine Camp, incorporated a Backpack Challenge in 2018, in which campers were required to live off only the contents in their backpacks. This was an exercise in empathy that allowed campers to have a sense of how it might feel to be a child living in forced displacement because of war or natural disasters, with only the bare essentials.

More than 240 youth from 27 schools, churches and organisations came together to complete Amazing Race-style stations with a humanitarian twist. Through an interactive programme of experiential learning activities, they discovered how vulnerable children and families strive against the odds in fragile contexts, where conflict, insecurity and environmental catastrophes occur.



Activities were designed to help youth in Singapore understand the struggles of vulnerable children in fragile contexts.



Campers experienced the challenge of living off limited supplies, much like refugees forced to leave their belongings behind.



Each camp team advocated for a vulnerable child, and got the chance to write a letter addressed to that child as part of the campfire activities.



Service activities on the second day of the camp included food preparation for people in need in Singapore.



World Vision's mass advocacy activity, which involved forming the longest sit-up conveyor belt to pass twenty-three 5 kg bags of rice, made it into the Singapore Book of Records.



The camp rounded off with a closing celebration, with guest performances by Aiken Chia and Annette Lee (from Night Owl Cinematics and SGAG respectively).

**“I learnt that we must be compassionate, responsible and have courage. For us campers, we had a 30-hour target for our fast, but these children have to endure this hunger for months, not even knowing when they would have regular meals,” says Marcus Loh, a participant from Hougang Secondary School.**



## Youth For Change Conference

*In line with World Vision's international campaign, 'It Takes A World', the Youth For Change Conference (YFCC) paid special attention to the exploitation and abuse of children in efforts to meet the Sustainable Development Goals.*

*Through talks, workshops, and a field visit to the border area of Thailand and Cambodia, participants learnt about the challenges of confronting child rights violations in both humanitarian and development settings. They also gained a deeper understanding of how rigorous evidence-based approaches are implemented to tackle the diverse causes of violence against children. Nicole Pek, 25, from Singapore, shares her experience:*

*"Having been an active participant in World Vision's programmes, I was keen to understand more about how young people could help with ending violence against children.*

*Over four days, participants congregated in Bangkok and*



On 18 – 21 December 2018, over 60 youth from Australia, Cambodia, Indonesia, Myanmar, Nepal, the Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Vietnam came together in Bangkok for the third edition of the annual Youth For Change Conference.

embarked on a comprehensive learning experience encompassing talks, discussions and workshops. Themes covered included 'On the Move: Protecting Children in Forced Displacement', 'The Business(woman) as Child Protector', and 'Violence against Children in the Digital Age'. In particular, the workshops incorporated brainstorming sessions on how to tackle violence against children in our own communities. We were also treated to guest lectures delivered by World Vision's child protection specialists who were generous in sharing their experiences, and patient in teaching us about the do's and don'ts of programme implementation.

One of the key learning points shared by World Vision's Advocacy and External Engagement Lead, Daniela Buzducea, concerned the importance of evidence-

gathering as necessary to convince and motivate local communities and governments to initiate changes. Local youth in particular should be encouraged to participate in evidence-gathering, as they are resourceful and likely to be perceived as more approachable by their peers who have experienced ill-treatment. These youth can, in turn, be inspired with a strong sense of purpose and feel driven to implement programmes that target the problems they identify.

This was exemplified by a group of local youth leaders we met during a field visit to a school in Aranyaprathet. As a result of World Vision's youth empowerment programmes, they had been equipped to identify the risks related to drug abuse and drug trafficking across the border. They had also committed to confronting these issues through advocacy efforts to sensitise their peers and

families to the dangers of getting caught up in the drug trade.

More broadly, the visit to Aranyaprathet allowed us to understand the initiatives that create a safer environment for children living in the area, some of whom had ventured across the border with their families from Cambodia as undocumented migrants. World Vision provided the children with access to quality education, food security, and the resources to grow and develop, regardless of their background or immigration status. These efforts have been crucial to the protection of children vulnerable to exploitation, abduction and trafficking. Witnessing

the success of World Vision's projects in Aranyaprathet gave me even more confidence in the organisation's approach to resolving child protection issues.

Building a safer world for children starts with us as individuals. At YFCC, I had the privilege of meeting many passionate and inspiring youth leaders from other countries who had already been actively campaigning for child protection in their own communities. Their fervour for addressing social issues left a deep impression on me, and I hope to be able to harness that same conviction to initiate changes in my home country."



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01 Youth visited a community in Aranyaprathet to gain a deeper understanding of World Vision's local youth empowerment programmes.

02 Through workshop sessions, youth participants interacted with others from around the region, broadening their perspectives and being inspired by one another.

## Paving the Way for More Partnerships

To support the nurturing of young social leaders who are empathetic, service-oriented, and passionate about championing social causes, World Vision signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP) in January 2018. The MOU allows for the co-creation and execution of Service-Learning projects by NP students in conjunction with World Vision. It also opened up many more meaningful opportunities for NP students to be social advocates, through internships as well as mentoring and applied learning in the field of social enterprise.

This educational partnership got off to an exciting start in its first year. Students who joined NP's newly formed Service-Learning Champs Network undertook an on-campus advocacy and fundraising effort in support of The Survival Fund, which is tapped on to enhance the resilience of disaster-prone communities, provide prompt emergency relief, and help communities on the road to recovery.



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In addition, a team of 27 students and 3 staff members from NP travelled to Son Tra, Vietnam, in September 2018 to undertake the first of a planned series of annual Service-Learning trips. The students were introduced to the core areas of need in Son Tra through a range of service opportunities. These included the refurbishment of a World Vision child club, a stint of re-roofing to help households vulnerable to typhoons, and a series of two-day workshops teaching students the importance of learning English and employability skills.



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- 01 Service-Learning Champs from Ngee Ann Polytechnic.
- 02 MOU signing between World Vision Singapore and Ngee Ann Polytechnic to advance Service-Learning efforts.





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More than 50 students were involved in a variety of performances, ranging from acoustic sets and classical showcases to Mandopop and hip-hop dancing.

## Hwa Chong Institution Goes One Day Without Shoes

Every year, the Humanities and Current Affairs Society (HACAS) at Hwa Chong Institution (Year 5 – 6) holds One Day Without Shoes (ODWS), which raises awareness about, and encourages an empathetic regard for, the difficult living conditions experienced by children living

in poverty. Students are invited to roam about school for a day barefoot so that they may appreciate the vulnerability of children who are too poor to afford shoes.

This time, ODWS was held in support of children living in rural Zambia. Experiential booths and educational exhibits on the needs of children in Zambia were set up. “We understand

that many in Zambia are living below the poverty line and lack access to basic amenities that we have taken for granted, such as clean water,” writes the ODWS organising committee. “In addition, we have also learnt that there is a dire need for healthcare, educational provisions, and support for HIV-affected children in many areas in Zambia. Hence, our team really wanted to do something to contribute to the community.”

## Raffles Bands Together For Kids

RafflesForKids is a student collective based at Raffles Institution (Year 5 – 6), which aims to educate the wider school community on the struggles children face in different parts of the world where World Vision runs humanitarian and development programmes. In May 2018, the group organised a concert in school to raise funds through ticket sales and donations to sponsor seven children from Indonesia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, and the West Bank. Close to 100 concert-goers attended the event.



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At the experiential learning booth, patches of earth, sand and leaves simulated challenging terrains that gave participants a sense of the discomfort and the danger faced by vulnerable children in inhospitable environments.

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Themed T-shirts were designed by the student organisers, and participants could purchase them, with proceeds going towards Musosolokwe in Zambia.



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## Dulwich College Designs Water Filters

In the lead-up to World Water Day, the Year 3 cohort at Dulwich College studied a module on the theme of water. As part of the module, World Vision delivered a talk on water security issues around the world, and introduced the challenges posed by slow-onset disasters, rapid-onset disasters, as well as environmental and economic constraints to the stable supply of clean drinking water. We were also involved in providing

feedback as part of an interactive learning exercise. Year 3 students were asked to come up with designs for water filtration systems that could help address the problem of contaminated ground water drawn from wells in rural Myanmar. This elicited a range of fantastically creative ideas from the students. World Vision also shared on water filtration mechanisms to help communities meet their need for clean drinking water.

## Columbia Academy Preschool's Food for Thought

To Columbia Academy, every child is precious to them, and therefore their philosophy is to help develop the fullest potential of children under their care. Part of their curriculum includes a biennial event with three

weeks set aside for aesthetics, art and charity. This year, preschool students worked on art and crafts, and they sold their masterpieces at a charity event attended by almost 100 parents. In total, they raised \$10,300 that went towards helping vulnerable children and families affected by the Syria Crisis through mobile health clinics, nutrition and early childhood learning centres.



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- 01 Students and parents made paintings and pencil cases, which were auctioned.
- 02 Activities were themed around food.
- 03 At the charity event, there were booths selling food, storybooks and other trinkets to raise funds.



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# Churches

**World Vision partners the Church to demonstrate God's unconditional love and serve the world's most vulnerable people.**

After venturing to an unchartered mission field in East Asia in the 1940s, a young Robert Pierce, World Vision's founder, returned with a renewed sense of mission, which embraced concern for both the physical suffering and spiritual hunger of the poor. The legacy of Dr Pierce's lifelong commitment to bearing witness to God's kingdom, through acts of compassion and the pursuit of biblical justice for the oppressed, is a key area of focus in our church engagement.



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## Faith Methodist Church

When the manager of our programme in Son Tra, Vietnam, was in Singapore, he gladly took the opportunity to speak at a service in Faith Methodist Church. As a former refugee, Thanh shared his personal testimony of how God healed his hurts and called him to minister to the least, the last and the lost. Through his time in World Vision, he came to see his work as a powerful way of living out his faith, and how every single child's life is very precious. He also shared the stories of two young girls in his community, who experienced healing in their lives, by having their basic needs met, restored relationships and a chance at education, through World Vision's support.

01 Thanh, World Vision's Son Tra programme manager, spoke about the transformational work being done in his community at a service in Faith Methodist Church.

02 Through our work in Son Tra, My Nga was able to receive quality education and her family received help in having better relationships with one another.



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## Yishun Christian Church

World Vision was invited to speak at a youth service at Yishun Christian Church (Anglican) (YCCA), as part of a line-up of youth ministry activities on the theme of how Christian youth can navigate contemporary culture, in particular by rejecting individualism and looking beyond themselves to help others in need. The service introduced the

missional roots of World Vision, and examined the lessons that young people could learn from the life and spiritual outlook of Dr Pierce, who, in the words of Oriental Mission Society missionary Elmer Kilbourne, was ready to "[give] what he had and believed God to do the rest". The youth at YCCA were encouraged to make themselves spiritually available to be used by God with the same boldness, so that they too may follow Christ to where the need is greatest.



Students did chores and saved their pocket money to help children in need in Nepal.

### Ascension Kindergarten's Abundant Love Loaves

In September 2018, the students of Ascension Kindergarten conducted a read-a-thon titled 'Have You Filled a Bucket Today?' During this campaign,

the kindergarten challenged all parents and guardians to finish reading at least two books a week with their children, as a way to remember poor children elsewhere who do not have books, enough food, clean water, shelter and other basic necessities.

World Vision also gave each child a 'Love Loaf' piggy bank to fill, for underprivileged children in Nepal. Many kindergarteners saved their pocket money and performed chores to raise funds. Some even created handicrafts, which they sold to raise money. The kindergarten raised more than \$4,000 for vulnerable children in Nepal. The cheque was presented to World Vision at Ascension Kindergarten's annual concert in October.

### San Yu Adventist School Lends a Hand to Students in Zambia

Moved by the needs of students in Zambia who were learning under trees or in dark classrooms with no tables and chairs, San Yu Adventist School raised funds to improve the quality of education.

A campaign was run in the school to nurture their students to be empathetic individuals, and empower them to make a difference in the lives of the poor. The primary 1 to 4 students saved money for a term and contributed their piggy bank savings, while the



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secondary school students ran a 5 km marathon to raise funds. Collectively, all staff and students organised and participated in the National Day Mini Carnival and a total sum of \$15,000 was raised! The funds went towards building a classroom equipped with furniture and sanitation facilities.

01 Secondary school students did a 5 km fundraising run, in support of students in Zambia who study under trees.

02 Pupils in the community in a newly constructed classroom.



# Events for Supporters

Joy travels both ways. World Vision believes that transformation happens not only in our beneficiaries' lives, but also in our donors' when they get to witness the impact of their contributions.

## Colouring the World

In the spirit of Christmas, World Vision went out to NEX, Parkway Parade, Waterway Point and United Square in Singapore to Colour the World!

Through interactive booths with 360° videos, storytelling sessions, carolling and more, members of the public were able to see how they could bring life and colour to children living in difficult circumstances all over the world.

To spread the message of life transformation for the most vulnerable to even more people, a Colour the World Festival was held at NEX on 9 December 2017, which had a wide array of activities including:



Performances by Jack and Rai



Art jamming



Tote bag decorating workshops



Family survival challenges



Photo taking sessions with Spidermen



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## Growing Together as a Family

To celebrate Mother's Day with the family, World Vision organised Family Treasure, inviting families to spend quality time, connect with and create fond memories together.

Held in Pulau Ubin, nature's backyard, there were child-friendly activities designed to simulate the challenges of children living in desperate poverty, while allowing children, with their parents, to gain a deeper appreciation for what they have in Singapore. Through the activities, we also shared how our sustainable interventions can help children break out of poverty.

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Building a water filter from naturally available materials like charcoal and sand.

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Figuring out the clues on a scavenger hunt for edible plants on Pulau Ubin.

## Trailblazing Change in Africa

Africa might be geographically far away, but that does not stop our supporters in Singapore from making a difference there! At Vision in Action: Africa Alive in April, we shared the latest development highlights from Ethiopia and Zambia, the current situation of climate change in Ethiopia and its effects

on children and launched a Trailblazer Trip to volunteer in Ethiopia.

The trip was held in June, and those who signed up went to Hidhabu Abote, an area that has been drought-stricken for the last 10 years. There, they saw the challenging living conditions the locals endure, and the

change that has been brought about by World Vision's disaster resilience project. They also planted trees to re-green the land and fixed the homes of vulnerable families who suffered from recent disasters. Upon their return, they embarked on a crowdfunding campaign to raise more support for the work in Hidhabu Abote.



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03 Trippers helped to rehabilitate degraded land so farmers could grow crops.

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Travel and Lifestyle portal, The Smart Local, also joined in the efforts to help vulnerable families in Ethiopia.



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## A Festival with a Vision

At Vision Fest, our supporters, their friends and family were provided with an immersive experience to see how small acts can have a big, long-lasting impact globally.

The event kicked off with a film screening on 'Living on One Dollar', a documentary by four youth who set out to survive on

a dollar a day for two months, battling against hunger, parasites and financial stress. To help modern parents raise caring children, Dr Jacqueline Chung, Senior Principal of St James Church Kindergarten shared how empathy can be cultivated in children from young. Our supporters who recently went on World Vision trips also gave updates on the impact they witnessed in our beneficiaries' lives.



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01 Otgon, a former street child who hails from the award-winning Blue Sky Choir, led children in simple cultural dance steps originating from the steppes of Mongolia.

02 To help young participants better understand the struggles of children living in poverty, a tote bag making workshop using scrap materials and old T-shirts was held, so they could learn how to be resourceful.

## A Fitness Challenge for a Good Cause

From February to April, Team World Vision invited runners and walkers to take on The Nepal Challenge. This was planned in collaboration with Train Live Compete Pte Ltd. Those who braved the challenge were given the option of running or walking 25 km, 50 km or 100 km within one month, and pledging to crowdfund for the sponsorship of a child in Nepal. They could complete the distance virtually,

by logging into the event portal and uploading their progress from run-tracking apps.

There was also a chance to meet and run with Mira Rai, a poor Nepali village girl turned award-winning runner and National Geographic's Adventurer of the Year 2017. Mira also shared her remarkable story at a Vision in Action talk and meet-and-greet session.



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03 Mira Rai, with supporters who banded together to run and change the lives of vulnerable children in Nepal.

04 At a meet-and-greet session, Mira Rai shared her journey and pursuit of becoming an award-winning runner.

## An Evening Commemorating Our Shared Humanity

World Vision Singapore's very first Charity Dinner, One Humanity, One Hope, was held on 31 August 2018 at the Carlton Hotel. The event saw around 240 individuals coming together to stand with the poor and pledge their support to meeting the needs of children in crisis around the world.

A special Humanitarian Impact Awards segment was held to recognize our corporate partners that have faithfully journeyed with World Vision over the years.



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Dr Tony Tan was in attendance as Guest of Honour, and Mr Kevin Jenkins, President of World Vision International was the night's keynote speaker.



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Children and youth from various schools and performance groups demonstrated their support through heartfelt performances about the plight of children in crisis.

Funds raised at the dinner went towards:

- **More than 20,400 people affected by the Syria Crisis** who were helped through school feeding projects, psychosocial care, pre-school education and mobile health clinics
- **8,461 people in Zambia** who gained access to clean drinking water from solar-powered water systems, boreholes and water taps
- **More than 8,000 children in Vietnam** who were protected from child trafficking through education on safe migration, anti-trafficking best practices and by working with local authorities to strengthen child protection mechanisms in the community
- **More than 1,200 girls in India** who face gender discrimination were empowered with life skills education, peacebuilding skills, knowledge on reproductive health and nutrition, as well as higher education or vocational training for a better future
- **293 households in Ethiopia badly affected by heavy rain and snow** who were provided with seeds and agricultural inputs to restart their farms
- **100 farmers in Ethiopia** who were trained in climate-resilient agricultural techniques to sustain their livelihoods in the coming years
- **192 community members in Mongolia** who were trained to respond to emergencies and child abuse cases



# Corporate Partners

World Vision works with companies to create partnership solutions that align with company goals and missions in unique, impactful ways.

## Humanitarian Impact Awards

When companies unite behind a common vision, they can create powerful changes in the lives of vulnerable children and communities. To honour and recognise the corporate supporters who have gone the distance with us in the past year, we presented them with Humanitarian Impact Awards at the One Humanity, One Hope Charity Dinner.

## Humanitarian Impact Award Winners:



RIWAY International



The Methodist Church in Singapore



Procter & Gamble



Jebsen & Jessen



Chuan Teng Petroleum



CapitaLand Hope Foundation



Silicon Connection



Shin Khai Construction



Dimension Data Asia Pacific

## Granting Vietnamese Children Better Health

Making the world a healthier place is a lofty goal, especially when barriers to accessing affordable, quality healthcare exist everywhere. But it's a goal Medtronic takes very seriously.

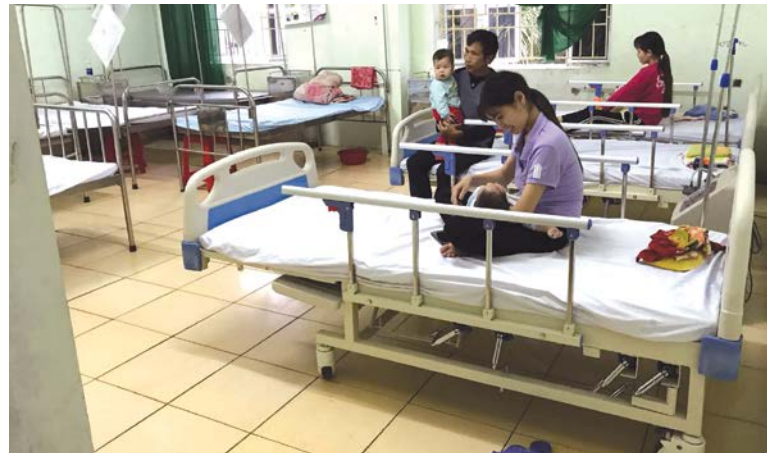
In recognition of World Vision's continued and shared commitment to that mission, we were awarded with \$115,570 through the Medtronic Health Access Grant.



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- 01 Through the grant funding, we were able to get an oxygen concentrator.
- 02 Equipment including a paediatric heartbeat and breathing monitor were also procured.
- 03 New beds were purchased to improve the quality of healthcare in the community.
- 04 Besides supporting Vietnamese children through the Health Access Grant, Medtronic staff also joined in The Nepal Challenge, in support of Nepali children.

The grant funding enabled us to:

- Help **159 malnourished and stunted children** to access holistic malnutrition rehabilitation
- Provide about **30 children suffering from congenital disease, disability or other serious illnesses** with emergency nutrition, medication and treatment
- Improve child health practices among mothers and caregivers who have malnourished children under five, as well as reduce the prevalence of acute respiratory infection and diarrhoea
- Build the capacity of the local health network to address disease prevention and management
- Equip health centres with necessary equipment and facilities for better maternal and child health, including a paediatric heart and breathing monitor; an oxygen concentrator and paediatric beds



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# Inspiring Individuals

World Vision believes that anyone can make a difference. Our supporters come from all walks of life, and have a common passion for using their creativity, time and talents to help children thrive.

## Kiss 92 FM Rallies Support for Vulnerable Children

In November 2017, deejay Arnold Gay visited Cox's Bazar with World Vision, where he met with refugee children and families from the Myanmar-Bangladesh Refugee Crisis.

Despite encountering some of the most challenging living conditions, he saw how they still have hope and smiles amidst adversity.

"Life in Singapore didn't quite prepare me for Bangladesh," says Arnold. "I can only listen, bring their stories home and hope that one day they will receive the hope and joy that every person deserves."



Watch footage of Arnold's trip, where he visited child friendly spaces and malnutrition screening corners! [Part 1](#) | [Part 2](#)



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Following that trip, deejays Maddy, Jason and Arnold started sponsoring children, and launched a KIDS92 campaign, with the goal of getting 92 children sponsored.

In the months leading up to April, they shared about World Vision's community-based model of child sponsorship, and how real lives can be transformed when development is done right on air and on their social media accounts.

These efforts culminated in an event on 7 April called Kids 92, where guests had the chance to hear from Maddy, Jason and Arnold on what this campaign meant to them. In total, they surpassed their initial goal and had 159 children sponsored!

- 01 Arnold Gay on a World Vision trip, where he saw the challenges affecting refugee children of the Myanmar-Bangladesh Refugee Crisis, as well as the hope and support brought into their lives.
- 02 DeeJay Maddy and her daughter, with profiles of their sponsored children.
- 03 By sharing about child sponsorship on air, on social media and at the Kids 92 event, 159 children were sponsored.



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## Cycling Across Canada to Empower Girls in India

An active supporter of World Vision's work for more than 15 years, Mr Manjit Singh combined his love for cycling with a desire to help the poor by forming a charity cycling group called 'Harmony on Wheels'.

"We have visited the work in India and we all agreed that nursing school support was a very worthy project. We always look to add value, and to support programmes that are sustainable, with a good return to the community," says Manjit. "For Harmony on Wheels, we see our community as the world. With the huge inequality that exists – I just think it is our responsibility to help."

## Dancing to Bring Hope to Refugees

In their search for inspiration for a dance piece, The Passionate Dancing Elders, alumni of Temasek Polytechnic, came across the plight of children caught in the Syria war. Their portrayal of the dire consequences of war at the Super 24 ASEAN Championships 2018 led to them clinching the championship title.

Deciding that donating the full prize money wasn't enough, they launched a campaign on [World Vision's crowdfunding site](#) and raised more than \$11,000!

**"As we count our blessings, I think we are very lucky to have everything that we need. We can dance and use our craft for a bigger purpose," says Timothy Foong, a member of the dance crew.**



**Catch the highlights of their award-winning dance here!**



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**Watch the students of Rush Me Not Art Studio in action here!**



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## Advocating with Art

To nurture empathy in children living in Singapore and to expand their perspectives, World Vision shared about the needs and challenges of children living in developing countries with students of Rush Me Not Art Studio.

The students then used that as inspiration to paint 20 art pieces that reflected their wishes and dreams for vulnerable children around the world. Proceeds from the sale of paintings went towards helping refugee children in the Middle East, victims of child trafficking and child brides in Asia and those affected by climate change in Africa.

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In 2018, Manjit embarked on a solo trans-Canada bike ride to raise funds so that 22 young women who face gender discrimination in India could attend nursing school.

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The Passionate Dancing Elders won first place at a dance competition, with their piece inspired by the Syrian refugees.

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Paintings by children from Rush Me Not Art Studio were displayed at World Vision's Vision Fest event (above) as well as auctioned at our One Humanity, One Hope charity dinner.



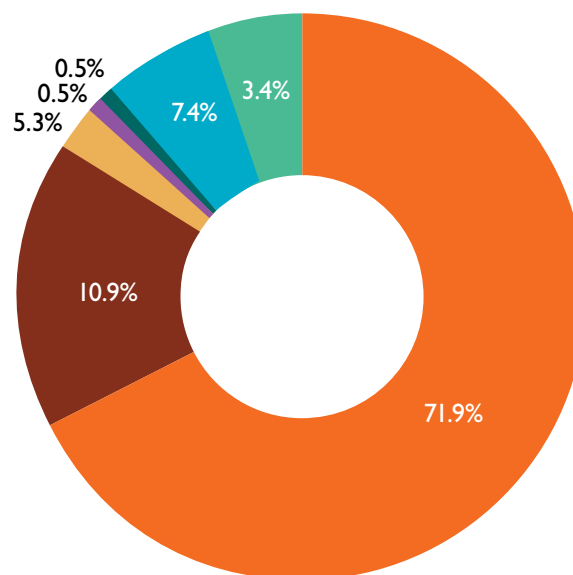
# Financial Accountability

In FY18, God has graciously provided us with \$17,988,245. Through the donations raised, we were able to help **755,060 people in 15 countries across Asia, Africa and the Middle East**. Donations also contributed to life-saving aid and longer term interventions reaching **2,416,200 people in disaster zones**.

We have also kept our expenditure low at 16.7% of total funds raised, so as to channel as much as possible to programmes for our beneficiaries.

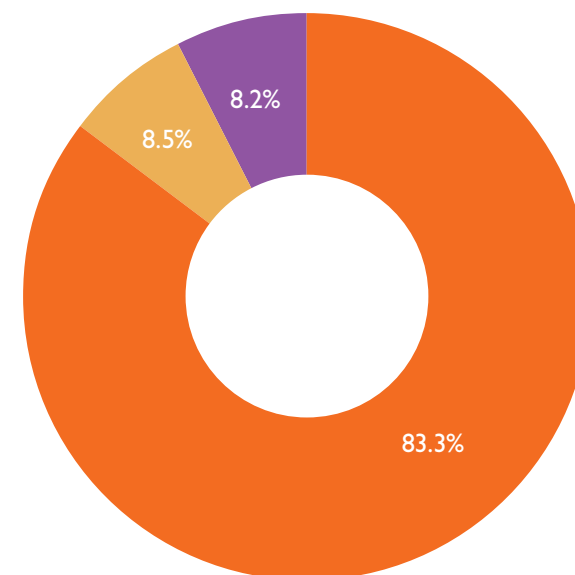
According to Singapore's charity regulations, the total expenses incurred due to public fundraising appeals in a year must not exceed 30% of total donations collected through the public appeals in that year. World Vision's stewardship mandate is that our costs should not exceed 20% of all donations received.

## Analysis of Total Donations in FY18



Child Sponsorship	71.9%
Area Development Programmes	10.9%
Children in Crisis	5.3%
Microfinance	0.5%
One Life Fund & Youth of Vision	0.5%
Relief & Rehabilitation	7.4%
Others	3.4%

## How Donations were Used



International & Local Ministries	83.3%
Administration	8.5%
Communication & Public Education	8.2%

# Advisory Council



**Du Ming-Han (Hank Du)**

WVI President's Representative

As WVI President's Representative, Hank has many years of experience under his belt. Before his involvement in World Vision, Hank was an expert in the IT industry. He started out as a software engineer in Mitac Inc. in 1982, and quickly rose through the ranks until he was appointed as Vice General Manager of the Marketing Department in Microsoft, Taiwan, in 1995. In 2001, Hank left his stable job as he felt called to minister in the Chinese Christian Evangelistic Association, eventually volunteering two years of his time there.



**Liew Heng San**

Chairman

Heng San headed Singapore's Central Provident Fund as CEO before retiring in Jan 2011. He is currently on the Boards of the Singapore Bible College and AIA Singapore, and serves as Advisor to the Far East Organization and TJ Novo. He worships at Telok Ayer Chinese Methodist Church.



**Lau Peet Meng**

Deputy Chairman

Peet Meng is a senior public servant with extensive experience in the Singapore Police Force, the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He has also served as Singapore's First Secretary to the United Nations in New York. Peet Meng is married to an editor/writer, and they are blessed with three young children. He serves as an elder at Adam Road Presbyterian Church.



# Advisory Council



**Soon Sze Meng**

Member

Sze Meng is the Vice President, Business in the International Group of Singtel. Previously, he was the Senior Director & General Manager, Hong Kong, Korea and Taiwan for PayPal. He joined PayPal from Visa where he was the VP, Head of Marketing Strategy, Planning and Insights for the Asia-Pacific region and VP, Head of Marketing for China. He also took on previous roles in strategy and business development. Before Visa, he worked with McKinsey & Co. in Chicago, US, and Monitor Group in Singapore as a management consultant.



**Nicholas Khoo**

Member

Nicholas is the Senior Vice President of a London-based investment fund that focuses on the use of digital media for education. He has spent more than 15 years in a career from startups to Fortune 500s working on digital media, data analytics, and cyber security. He serves on the council of Graduates' Christian Fellowship. Nicholas also serves on the boards of government and professional organisations, including the Singapore Computer Society, National Youth Council and the National Council for Problem Gambling.



**Michelle Cheo**

Member

Michelle is the Chief Executive Officer of Mewah International Inc. She joined its Group in 2003 in the trading department and has been its Executive Director since 2010. Prior to that, Michelle worked with Exxon Mobil in Louisiana, United States of America, and Jurong Island, Singapore. Married with 3 children, she worships at Barker Road Methodist Church.



**Choo Cheh Hoon**

Member

Cheh Hoon is a Senior Director at Ngee Ann Polytechnic (NP). She is also concurrently the Managing Director of Social Lab Ltd which runs Dialogue-in-the-Dark, an innovative learning facility and social enterprise at NP which specifically employs the visually-impaired as guides and workshop facilitators. Cheh Hoon is also actively involved in several professional and community committees. She worships at Covenant Presbyterian Church with her family.

# Management Team

## **Lilian Chung**

National Director

Lilian has more than 25 years' experience in the Information and Communication Technology industry. She spent 17 years in various senior roles in HP and was the Asia Pacific Head of Marketing, Office Printing Systems before joining World Vision. She has also worked for EMC International as their Asia Pacific Senior Director of Partner Marketing, and with Motorola Mobility Device as their Senior Regional Marketing Director for the Asia Pacific and Middle East region. Married with three children, Lilian worships at St John's St Margaret's Church.

## **Fiona Soh**

Director, Resource Development & Communications

## **Laura Ho**

Head of Department, Finance, Admin & Donor Support





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