



MAPPING  
**THE BLUE  
THREAD**



2026-2030



World Vision 

**Honduras**

# Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Business Plan

**GLOBAL GOALS**

**Accelerate** universal and equitable access to water, sanitation, and hygiene services to improve health, well-being, and livelihoods

**Deepen** focus on the most vulnerable people, especially in fragile contexts

**Demonstrate** sustainable impact for increased transparency and accountability

**Leverage** \$1.5 billion global business plan to mobilize financing for WASH services

**\$37.3M**

**Total Planned Investments In-Country**

**33**

**WASH Program Locations**

**Geographic Area**

World Vision’s WASH program in Honduras works in 33 operational areas. The map at right provides an overview of our WASH program geographic footprint.

**Mapping the Blue Thread**

Water is the blue thread of integration connecting people, places, and progress. It is essential to the well-being of children and their communities and creates pathways out of poverty. Water transforms lives by driving economic growth, food security, environmental resilience, safe healthcare, and educational success.

*Mapping the Blue Thread* is World Vision’s 2026 to 2030 global business plan to deliver adaptive water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) solutions for a better, healthier world across 42 countries. Our data-driven approach enables country WASH teams to deliver targeted, location-specific strategies that maximize impact, effectiveness, and sustainability.

**Vision for Transformative WASH Impact in Honduras**

In 2022, World Vision set a bold vision to reach universal service coverage in 49 municipalities in Honduras by 2028. The WASH program scaled significantly and built the technical expertise to deliver high-quality, sustainable WASH services. Through ambitious World Vision projects from 2022 to 2025, 73% of households in these municipalities can now access a safe water source within 30 minutes roundtrip of their home.

From 2026 to 2030, we will begin working in 40 additional municipalities, supporting people in fragile situations, including Indigenous groups and Afro-descendants, to gain WASH access. We also will work with the government, the national utility (SANAA), and water boards to help reach universal water service coverage in these areas. Our unique microfinance program pays special attention to the needs of women and children so they can live healthy lives and strengthen their leadership skills. By using water wisely, we help bring people together, protect the environment, and strengthen the economy through better agricultural practices.



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## Technical Focus Areas

### INTRODUCTION


Technical focus areas ensure WASH programs are technically sound, contextually responsive, and equipped to deliver adaptable solutions across diverse challenges. **Water Supply and Quality** brings water closer and safer to people. **Sanitation and Hygiene** strengthens market-based solutions for area-wide coverage. **Governance and Finance** improves policies, planning, and funding. **Water Security** safeguards resources through watershed management and environmental stewardship. **Disaster Management** delivers WASH services in emergencies and programs to build long-term resilience.

	Water Supply and Water Quality		Sanitation and Hygiene
	Governance and Finance		Water Security
	Disaster Management		



World Vision in Honduras is strategically prioritizing the following technical areas during this business plan period:

### WATER SUPPLY AND WATER QUALITY

 *Delivering safe, accessible, functional, equitable, and resilient (SAFER) infrastructure ensures sustainable water services.* We will make sure quality is a fundamental commitment that guides every aspect of our WASH program. Strong leadership, trained staff, and the use of innovative technologies such as remote monitoring will ensure sustainable solutions tailored to the needs of each community. By partnering with faith leaders and local groups and using a community feedback system, we will create lasting change from within the community.

### SANITATION AND HYGIENE



*Area-wide planning, market-based approaches, and financing strategies drive progress toward universal sanitation and hygiene coverage.* World Vision will strengthen sanitation and hygiene in Honduras by improving governance, modernizing facilities, promoting sustainable hygiene practices, and finding local funding solutions. We will learn from what works—like effective facility maintenance and continuous progress tracking—to scale replicable solutions. We also will integrate WASH with the health and education sectors, ensuring a multisectoral impact that transforms the living conditions of vulnerable communities.

### GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE



*Improving systems transforms how WASH services are planned, funded, maintained, monitored, and regulated.* World Vision is enhancing WASH services in Honduras by developing a transparent and sustainable financial plan, with a strong focus on supporting vulnerable communities. Working with local government, we will ensure long-term support and technical help. We will assess project costs to keep services financially stable and conduct awareness campaigns on the health, environmental, and economic benefits of clean water and sanitation. World Vision also will work with VisionFund in Honduras to offer low-cost loans to water boards and local governments to build and maintain WASH systems.

### WASH NEEDS

#### Water

Only 46% of people in rural areas have access to safely managed drinking water.

#### Sanitation

Only 53% of the population has access to safely managed sanitation facilities.

#### Healthcare Centers

55% of healthcare centers have access to clean water and only 17.5% have latrines.

—[washdata.org](https://washdata.org)

## Program Fundamentals

### INTRODUCTION

World Vision WASH programs are built on 10 fundamentals that promote accountability, guide decision-making, and ensure high-quality interventions. **Community and Government Engagement, Multisector Integration, and Local Partnerships** strengthen local collaboration and program delivery. Investing in **Staff Growth and Engagement** builds capacity, while **Faith Integration** ensures our values guide our work. **Quality Control and Assurance** upholds rigorous WASH standards, while **Gender Equality, Disability, and Social Inclusion** improve equitable access for the most vulnerable. **Monitoring** and **Applied Learning** use data to drive continuous improvement, which supports **Reporting and Communication** to ensure transparency.

	Community and Government Engagement		Local Partnerships
	Staff Growth and Engagement		Faith Integration
	Quality Control and Assurance		Monitoring
	Applied Learning		Multisector Integration
	Reporting and Communication		Gender Equality, Disability, and Social Inclusion

World Vision in Honduras is committed to excelling in the following program fundamentals:

### FAITH INTEGRATION

*Embedding Christian principles into WASH efforts nurtures spiritual transformation alongside technical solutions.* The Honduras team will integrate faith values as a key tool to strengthen our WASH interventions. We will work closely with religious leaders to help communities avoid conflict, stay healthy, and protect the environment. This teamwork not only will strengthen the outcomes of the WASH program, but also will encourage positive behavior change and support long-term development from within communities.

### MULTISECTOR INTEGRATION

*Connecting WASH with health, education, and livelihoods initiatives addresses broader community needs and enhances impact.* The WASH program will team up with health, education, and agriculture to share resources, obtain joint funding, and increase community involvement, ensuring more sustainable and effective solutions. To track progress, we will set goals and use data to measure outcomes like access to clean water and disease reduction. A community feedback system will be created, and projects will be adjusted as needed.

### GENDER EQUALITY, DISABILITY, AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

*Actively involving marginalized groups in decision-making ensures equitable access to WASH services and promotes inclusive outcomes.* We will promote leadership based on skills and experience, removing barriers that limit people's full participation. We will ensure all people have the opportunity to be involved in WASH processes. We will actively listen to communities to understand their needs and help improve access to services. The WASH team also will coordinate with local leaders and partners to create fair and lasting solutions that strengthen community development and follow institutional policies and national regulatory frameworks.

### KEY INITIATIVE SPOTLIGHT

#### Women-Centered Design in Region Centro Sur Oriente

Women and girls are often most affected by lack of access to WASH services, which hinders their ability to be educated and earn money. Through the Beyond Access Program, we prioritize their needs, intentionally linking WASH with economic empowerment so they can thrive. This innovative, holistic program will begin in 2026 in Region Centro Sur Oriente, reaching 5,450 women and their families.



# Program Dashboard

Budget

**\$37,300,000**

People Gaining Access to

Water **595,023**

Sanitation **87,474**

Hygiene **401,640**

Schools Gaining Access to

Water **1,197**

Sanitation **252**

Hygiene **252**

Healthcare Facilities Gaining Access to

Water **106**

Sanitation **120**

Hygiene **120**



**KEY INITIATIVE SPOTLIGHT**

**Universal Service Coverage in Concepción de María**

Partnering with the government and local providers, we will reach 90% of people in Concepción de María with a basic drinking water service by 2028, covering households, 25 schools, and three healthcare facilities. Before World Vision's work, this area had 27% water coverage. With our support, it already has increased to 43%. A total of 17 new water systems with 2,300 taps will be constructed.



*World Vision will help the Concepción de María operational area reach Universal Service Coverage.*



## Global WASH Program

For more than 40 years, World Vision has been working together with communities around the world with the vision of reaching everyone, everywhere we work with transformational WASH services. Since 2011, we've reached 37.5 million people with safer, more accessible clean water, equipped 30.2 million people with household sanitation, and empowered 45.6 million people to improve their hygiene. World Vision's 2026 to 2030 Global WASH Business Plan builds on this progress, in pursuit of Sustainable Development Goal 6, to support quality WASH services across 42 countries by 2030.

## Honduras WASH Program Background

World Vision started working in Honduras in 1974 and launched our WASH program in 2013 to help communities access clean water, safe toilets, and better hygiene. By teaming up with local governments and community groups, the program has built and repaired water systems and sanitation facilities in homes, schools, and health centers. We also teach people, especially women and youth, about good hygiene and how to manage water resources.

Our WASH team has made a significant impact in Honduras, supporting around 500,000 people by improving 493 water systems since 2013, including installing 715 water taps in schools and 119 in health centers since 2021. This has reduced water-related diseases and improved life for many families, especially children. The program uses community input and regular check-ins to make sure the work is effective, long-lasting, and meets the specific needs of each area.



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