



Haiti Earthquake Emergency Response

# ONE YEAR ON REPORT

August 14, 2021 - August 14, 2022



## Situation Overview and Context

Early in the morning of 14 August 2021, a 7.2 magnitude earthquake rocked Haiti, causing hospitals, schools and homes to collapse, claiming 2,248 lives, and leaving communities in crisis. According to a recent UNICEF publication, about 1.2 million people, including 540,000 children, have been affected by the powerful earthquake. The earthquake occurred 13km southeast of Petit-Trou-de-Nippes, in the department of Nippes, about 125km west of the capital Port-au-Prince. The earthquake caused severe damage to infrastructure, particularly in Les Cayes, Jérémie and Nippes departments. The earthquake also damaged buildings and shelters that are normally used to house and protect residents during storms. Buildings (including hotels, hospitals, schools and churches), roads, bridges, and home infrastructures were also affected.

Several powerful aftershocks followed the initial quake, measuring at or above magnitude 4.0, worsening an already dire situation and complicating early search-and-rescue operations.

In addition, the tropical depression Grace recently crossed Haiti and generated rains and winds under cloudy skies. The rains have greatly complicated the search and rescue efforts under the rubble and aggravated the situation for families in distress, 3 days after the 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck the country.

The quake came on the heels of the recent assassination of the late president Jovenel Moïse, stretching the people of Haiti in multiple crisis including socio-political instability, volatile security context, economic precarity during the national level response to COVID-19 pandemic and an active hurricane season.

According to the Post Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA), total damage and losses are estimated at \$1.62 billion, while recovery

needs amount to \$1.98 billion. Relief efforts were severely hampered by a nationwide fuel shortage, while the humanitarian corridor was interrupted due to increased gang violence and insecurity.


One year later, the security situation continues to deteriorate with an increase in kidnappings and nationwide strikes to protest growing insecurity. Access to the south, due to gang fighting in Port-au-Prince and a general shortage of fuel, has become a major challenge for World Vision Haiti and its partners, resulting in increased operational costs and delays due to the ongoing blockage of the national road to the south (RN2).

### At a glance

 Affected population  
**800,000**

 Need assistance  
**650,000**

 Children impacted  
**360,000**

 Destroyed/damaged houses  
**154,510**





**Target Beneficiaries per Sectors**



**Our response objectives**

1. Provide life-sustaining assistance which addresses the basic needs and upholds the dignity of vulnerable children and their families.
2. Ensure that vulnerable children are protected from physical and psychological harm with support of their community.
3. Support the sustained recovery and resilience of vulnerable children and their families.



## Response Summary

One year ago, following the earthquake of August 14, 2021, in the Southern part of Haiti, World Vision Haiti assisted affected families by specifically focusing on addressing urgent WASH, food, shelter, health, and child protection needs. Resources from diverse sources, such as private funding, grants, pre-positioned emergency supplies, food commodities, and GIK were leveraged to serve the most vulnerable families in the hardest hit areas — the majority of which were unreachable by other forms of aid — in the three (3) municipalities most affected in the Nippes department: Baradères, Petit Trou and l'Asile. May 14th marks one year since the earthquake.

Beneficiaries of the Earthquake Emergency Response were selected and verified in coordination with local authorities and communities in accordance with the pre-determined response plan and donor beneficiary criteria. In most cases, World Vision Haiti's DME team was deployed to the field to verify beneficiaries selected using mobile data collection platforms. Verified data was then integrated into the LMMS system which allowed World Vision Haiti to provide beneficiaries with unique identification cards and ensure timely communication, fair and accurate distributions, and prioritization of most vulnerable families.

In all response activities, World Vision Haiti staff ensured communities and partners were informed of relevant activity information, selection criteria, and World Vision Haiti's identity and code of conduct. Community members and partners

were consulted as much as possible to respond to the needs and preferences of earthquake-affected families. In locations where accessibility was not limited, World Vision Haiti deployed field teams to mobilize community volunteers who along with community

members were invited to participate in the implementation of response activities, either to organize beneficiaries during NFI distributions or enlist families to use locally available resources to conduct activities. Community feedback and complaint mechanisms were also integrated into response activities to ensure community voices are heard and complaints are quickly acted on. Now, one year later, World Vision has been able to provide support to more than 155,000 people.

Despite the constraints of an unstable security environment, with a high number of daily kidnappings, roadblocks, and fuel shortages, resulting in a temporary slowdown of activities on a regular basis, response operations continue. All of our response programs are built to be adaptable to different scenarios and respond more effectively to unforeseen events in the operating environment.

### HEALTH

WV has reached and sensitized 148,598 people on hygiene (handwashing) and COVID-19 prevention, and 79,102 school children have received medications for worms and intestinal parasites. To help people practice home hygiene, WV distributed hygiene kits to 6,946 families (which included water purification tablets, soap, chlorine, hand sanitizer, towel, hairbrushes, toothbrushes, etc.).

Also in health, WV and the health directorate of Nippes conducted malnutrition screening for 5,469 children with the support of health workers. Among these 1,197 children suffered from malnutrition and were referred to the health center for follow-up. And we raise awareness of 6,141 child caregivers on how to prepare balanced meals for children to prevent malnutrition.

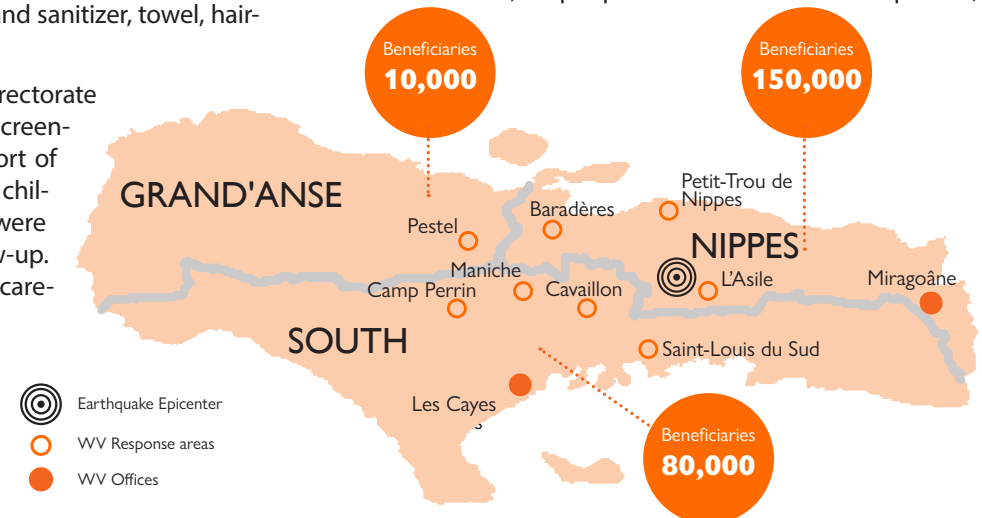
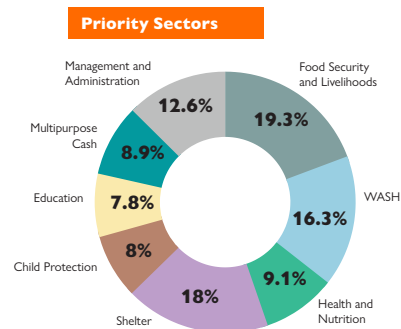
To help people live better, World Vision supported the Nippes' health management in a mental



health response plan, with psychological support of 2,133 adults and 1,326 children receiving psychosocial support in mobile clinics, community-based groups, and in school.

### SHELTER

World Vision Haiti responded promptly right after the earthquake to start the quick assessment and distribution of NFIs consisting of tarps, flashlights, kitchen and bedding kits. Initially, World Vision Haiti mobilized NO teams and pre-positioned items especially from the Central Plateau. WV distributed shelter items to 22,017 people. These kits included tarpaulins,







mattress sheets, pillowcases, clothes, kitchen kits, etc. In all the distributions, World Vision Haiti teams regularly engaged the communities, community leaders, ASECs, CASECs, and Mayors from identification of beneficiaries and their needs to distributions.

### **FOOD ASSISTANCE**

WV provided 34,410 people with food vouchers (each voucher is valued at 60 US dollars). With these vouchers, people bought rice, corn meal, oil, flour, peas, vegetables, etc. To encourage families to find ways to meet the needs of their families in the coming days, WV distributed seeds to 2,500 families, depending on what is planted in the communes, we provide corn seeds, strain beans, congo beans, beans nuts, and banana plans and also 252 families received goats, each person getting 2 goats.

### **MULTIPURPOSE CASH**

World Vision, with the support of local authorities, completed a list of 3,895 people of the most vulnerable people who received 130 US dollars in cash for non discretionary spending.

Furthermore, 300 people will benefit from small trade, and 5 drinking water systems are being built, two schools will benefit from a sanitary block (modern toilets and handwashing stations), there will be training for community members to form mutual solidarity groups and WV will provide materials for these groups.



We thank the communities for their participation in all the activities, we thank all the actors and partners involved in their field to improve the condition of the vulnerable people, and thank you to all those who chose to join hands with the authorities, and state entities and leaders.

### **CHILDREN IN EMERGENCIES**

Immediately after the earthquake, World Vision Haiti recognized the urgent need for a safe, stable, and structured environment for children since most schools were damaged, destroyed or converted into emergency shelters for displaced families. Child Friendly Spaces provided children with psychosocial first aid, educational stimulation, a safe place to play, and a sense of structure to their disrupted lives were established in the Nippes and South Departments. We have set up 15 child-friendly spaces, 7 of which have been built. In these spaces, we do recreational and educational activities with children. In these spaces, WV distributed materials to work with children such as books and toys and 35 trained volunteers from their respective communities manage those spaces. WV with the support of other partners has provided training to 10 child protection committees in various communities. WV sensitized 7,350 parents against violence against children. Teachers and school principals have been trained in positive discipline to prevent physical punishment and violence at home and school.



### **EDUCATION**

WV rehabilitated and rebuilt three (3) schools. All schools have electricity, modern bathrooms separated by sex, a water supply, a cafeteria, and a hand washing station. Schools will receive all school supplies such as chairs, benches, desks, filing cabinets, and hygiene kits. Each school has a hygiene committee set up to keep the school clean. WV also distributes 7,196 school supplies through school kits distributed to the children which include: a school bag, notebook, pen, pencil, eraser, instrument box, and drinking pot.

World Vision conducted training sessions on positive discipline and psychosocial support for 189 school principals and teachers in Nippes and the South. They pledged to support the campaign It Takes A World to End Violence Against Children in schools and at home.

Following lobbying with school inspectors and awareness building meetings, a circular letter was issued on March 31, 2022 by the School District Office (BDS) of Anse-à-Veau, which oversees four communes (Anse-à-Veau, Plaisance, Petit-Trou des Nippes and Arnaud) asking school principals to include a module on risk and disaster management in their programs, and to implement the principles of positive discipline and psychosocial support in their teaching in accordance with our campaign "It Takes a World to End Violence Against Children". This has an estimated impact on 165,000 children in the Nippes department.

148,598

**in Health and Nutrition Activities**

- Communicable disease management;
- Mental health and psychosocial support;
- Nutrition monitoring and referral;
- Provision of medical supplies;
- Clinic rehabilitation



104,153

**in WASH Activities**

- Hygiene promotion;
- Hygiene kits;
- Water purification and storage;
- Water point rehabilitation



122,363

**people reached**  
with shelter and household item kitss



19,475

**people reached**  
with multipurpose cash



37,700

**in Child Protection Activities**

- Community-based child protection;
- Child friendly spaces;
- Case Management



71,245

**in Food Security & Livelihood Activities**

- Food vouchers ;
- Agricultural recovery ;
- Goat Distribution ;
- Savings Groups



6,302

**children reached**  
through Child Friendly Spaces



155,107

**unique beneficiaries reached**



596,510

**people reached**  
with Public Health and Child Protection messages



**Health and Nutrition Interventions**

79,102  
children dewormed



6,253  
people



received health training and sensitization on deworming

5,469  
children



monitored for malnutrition with 1,197 malnourished children in care

28,100  
people

reached with Hygiene kits



**Education Interventions**

3  
schools rebuild/  
rehabilitated



7,196  
children  
received school kits  
(backpacks, notebooks,  
pens, pencils, etc.)



**Food Security and Livelihoods**

34,210  
people reached with  
food vouchers



2,500  
families received seeds  
(corn seeds, strain beans,  
congo beans, beans nuts,  
and banana plans



**Child protection and Advocacy**

56  
schools engaged  
in implementing a positive  
discipline policy impacting

10,951  
children

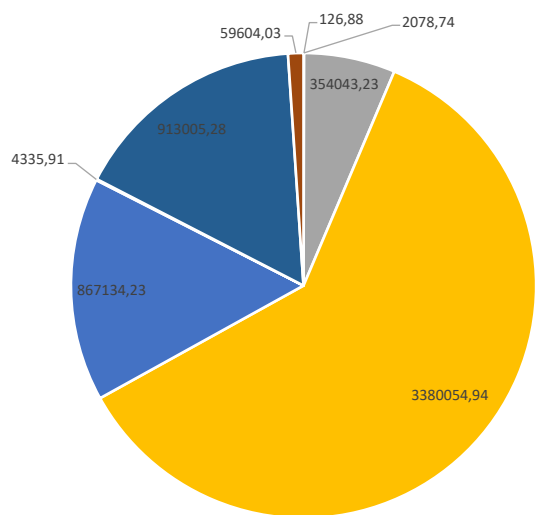
78  
church leaders trained  
positive discipline and post-  
traumatic stress management

62,406  
children affected  
by a departmental school district  
decree promoting the inclusion  
of risk and disaster management  
training and the establishment of  
school emergency committees

## Financials

The Emergency Response had a total spending of USD\$ 5,580,383.24 (as of August 12, 2022), the majority of which comes from private funds, followed by multilateral and government grants and GIK. Up to 90% of the spending has been used for implementing or supporting the implementation of activities in earthquake affected areas.

Expenses by Sectors USD



- Child Protection
- Community Engagement CW
- Education & Life Skills
- Emergency Response
- Food Assistance
- Maternal Child New Born
- Project Management
- Water & Sanitation

## Donors and Partners

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