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World Vision Sudan staff interacts with children outside a WFP funded clinic in South Darfur.

About us

World Vision is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families, and their communities to reach their full potential by tackling the root causes of poverty and injustice. World Vision serves all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or gender.

World Vision has been working in Sudan since 1983, initially operational until 1988. In June 2004, we resumed operations in response to the Darfur Crisis.

Through our 2021-2025 country strategy, we aim to reach 2.1 million of the most vulnerable children across our four operational areas of South Darfur, Blue Nile, East Darfur and South Kordofan.

This strategy prioritises food security and livelihoods, water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), health and nutrition and child protection as the means to directly impact children and their communities.

Geographical FOOTPRINT in Sudan



Health and Nutrition

In 2022, our Health and Nutrition programmes focused on two child wellbeing objectives; to increase the number of newborn to five year-old children who are well-nourished, and to increase the number of newborn to five year-old children who are protected from infections and diseases. We provided Health and Nutrition interventions in 56 healthcare facilities across 38 localities in our four operational states of South Darfur, East Darfur, South Kordofan and Blue Nile.



269,890

people accessed free health services



38,318

people at risk of malnutrition treated



199,483

people reached with Covid-19 prevention messaging and vaccination



56
primary healthcare facilities supported



41,593
people reached and treated by community health workers in their homes



7,615
pregnant and lactating women received counselling support



61,610
pregnant and lactating women were followed up on and trained on infant and young child feeding

Success story

Improving maternal and new-born health through community referral networks

To improve maternal and newborn health, World Vision Sudan worked with traditional birth attendants in South Darfur to conduct safe deliveries and promote hygienic practices.

110 traditional birth attendants from seven villages were trained by World Vision nurses to support pregnant women by conducting home visits to follow up on expectant women and refer them to health facilities to attend at least four ante-natal care visits.

One of the women supported to deliver safely in a health facility is 27-year old Tayseer Edris. Tayseer delivered at Sandliba Health Center in June 2022 after counseling and referral from a traditional birth attendant.

“This was not my first pregnancy. My first two pregnancies were at home as I wasn’t aware of the risks of giving birth at home. I lost both children from my first pregnancies,” says Tayseer. Tayseer was referred to a clinic due to

her developing severe backpain, one of the danger signs the community health volunteers are trained to be on the lookout for.

“I am grateful to the community health volunteers who ensured I had a safe delivery and my third child survived. I now promote hospital deliveries and I’ve been encouraging my pregnant neighbours to visit health facilities for check-ups,” said Tayseer.

Sixty-year-old Hawa Mustafa Mohammed is one of the trained community health volunteers and birth attendant from Katyla locality.

According to Hawa, many pregnant women never visited health facilities for regular follow up and there were many complications during home births. But now, with traditional birth attendants encouraging pregnant women to visit health facilities, more children have been safely delivered.

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Tayseer, new mother

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“The referral system has been a big success because we know the women in the villages and they trust us. We have been able to refer a lot of women to attend antenatal clinics and deliver in health facilities to reduce complications,” says Hawa.

The traditional birth attendant network in Katyla locality has referred 1,300 women for follow up and a total of 234 safe deliveries have been recorded in health facilities in the area.

Key Learning

Health and Nutrition implementation was affected by sporadic tribal conflict and clashes which contributed to the closure of access points and primary healthcare facilities resulting in low access. However, through strong collaboration with state authorities and harmonization of interventions with other partners in a conflict zone, we were still able to provide health and nutrition services in our areas of operation.

A World Vision community health volunteer trains new mothers in South Darfur on best practices for improved child health and nutrition.

WASH

In 2022, World Vision Sudan implemented Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) services in the four states of South Darfur, East Darfur, South Kordofan and Blue Nile. 2022 was the second year of implementing a five year WASH strategy aligned to World Vision Sudan's 2021-2025 strategy. Our target for the year was to reach 75,388 people with basic WASH services.



55,300
people provided
with access to clean
drinking water



4,891 households
constructed
latrines
6 villages achieved open
defecation free status



4,608
households established
hand washing facilities



23,770
people reached through hygiene
awareness and behaviour change
campaigns

Success story

Supporting Menstrual Hygiene in Blue Nile State Through Production of Quality Reusable Sanitary Towels

Many adolescent girls in Sudan suffer in silence during their monthly periods. Compounded by cultural sensitivities around menstruation, poverty, stigma, ignorance and unavailability of affordable sanitary towels, many girls often find themselves with no choice but to use locally available means to manage their periods. This includes using old pieces of cloth which sometimes lead to infections, especially when hygiene is not well observed.

Disposable sanitary towels are also not very common in hard to reach remote areas where World Vision operates. When available, the price is prohibitive, becoming a barrier to access. This sometimes contributes to regular absenteeism from school by girls to avoid the associated shame.

To help support girls through their menstrual cycles, World Vision sought to promote reusable sanitary towels as an alternative safe and affordable option for menstrual hygiene management.

A pilot was first conducted in Blue Nile state with funding from the USAID-Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA).

Three designs were developed, in consultation with various ministries and UNICEF, using locally available cotton fabric. 200 pieces of each design were prepared and distributed to one hundred girls across four localities. A user survey was then conducted to get feedback from the girls, to ensure that their input was incorporated in the final designs to enhance acceptance and use.

In collaboration with local public health officers, the girls were trained on proper and safe use of the re-usable sanitary towels.

To promote sustainability and access to these kits, six women groups of 15 women each from six localities were trained and equipped with start up kits for making the reusable sanitary towels.

The groups made 5,000 pieces, which World Vision purchased and distributed to 500 girls.

World Vision is now working with some of the trained women to train other women's groups in South Kordofan, South Darfur and East Darfur to scale up the project.

5,000 girls are targeted in the scale up, with funding from UNICEF, Global Affairs Canada (GAC) and USAID BHA. The women are now enjoying improved household income through this initiative.

*This was the first time
reusable towels were being
produced locally in Sudan.*

Key Learning

Effective stakeholder engagement is a key success driver for greater impact. This was evident during development of a universal service coverage plan for Mershing locality in South Darfur state, where Government, UNICEF and other INGOs and NGOs contributed resources for the exercise.

The Government provided one vehicle, enough fuel for all the hired cars and very useful secondary data. One INGO provided an elaborate database for one admin unit where they had operations while a national NGO provided a fuelled vehicle and two staff to support the data collection task.

This enhanced ownership of the plan by all key stakeholders and helped reduce the cost burden to World Vision.



World Vision trained and equipped 90 women from six localities in Blue Nile with start up kits to make reusable sanitary towels.

Food and Cash Assistance

In 2022, according to the Sudan Humanitarian Needs Overview report, an estimated 9.8 million people in Sudan were acutely food insecure requiring food assistance. Of those food insecure, at least 2 million people were in the four World Vision operational areas of South Darfur, East Darfur, South Kordofan and Blue Nile states.

World Vision Sudan responded to the needs of the most vulnerable in our operational areas with both immediate humanitarian food and cash assistance, and resilience interventions to strengthen community resilience to future shocks.



Success story

School feeding programme boosts education in East and South Darfur

In 2022, in partnership with the UN World Food Programme, World Vision Sudan implemented a school feeding programme, Food for Education, providing daily hot meals and dry take home rations to girls and boys in 266 schools in East and South Darfur.

School attendance figures were low and drop-out rates were high in the targeted schools in both states, but with the Food for Education programme parents started sending their children to school and children were also motivated to go to school.

According to the Head Teacher of one of the supported schools, Jabal Mara Mixed Basic School, Mr Nasor, the school feeding programme not only increased enrolment but also led to improved performance of the

school. The school enrolled 1,353 students in 2022 compared to 803 students in 2021 and 694 students in 2020. “Students that had dropped out of school re-enrolled this year because of the school feeding programme.” said Mr Nasor.

“It was hard to concentrate in class on an empty stomach. This programme has made school attractive and is saving money for my family who don’t have to spend on my breakfast anymore,” commented Remaz a grade five student at Jabal Mara Mixed Basic School.

Reaching over 140,000 girls and boys in East and South Darfur, the food for education programme has; contributed to reduced school drop-out rates giving more children an opportunity to learn, improved nutrition, improved school performance and addressed the immediate food gaps in homes.




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Remaz, grade 5 student

Key Learning

- Involvement of line government ministries from programme onset ensures smooth implementation and better monitoring of objectives while enhancing ownership.
- Conducting a robust security assessment on where to store commodities, especially in hard to reach areas, by the World Vision team ensured that mitigation measures were in place for commodity storage to prevent theft and looting. This maintained good relationships with communities, building trust and strengthening security of stored commodities.



Children from Otash Primary School in South Darfur enjoying breakfast provided through the Food for Education Programme.

Photo courtesy WFP Sudan.



Food Security and Livelihoods

In addition to food and cash transfer interventions, World Vision Sudan implemented food security and livelihood programmes in Blue Nile, South Darfur, East Darfur and South Kordofan aimed at providing lifesaving assistance while gradually building the resilience of affected communities to face future shocks.

The support included provision of agricultural inputs like seeds and tools, provision of livestock and support in starting income generating activities. The programme also provided capacity building and training in finance, management, conservation of pasture land and energy saving practices.



71,675

people supported with different livelihood safety net activities

- *Production of safe stoves*
- *Sewing*
- *Handcraft making*
- *Local basket-weaving*
- *Vegetable gardening*
- *Brick-making*
- *Improved crop production practices*
- *Improved livestock management*



1,931

people trained to improve access to finance



305

people trained on improved agricultural and livestock management practices, in collaboration with the state agriculture departments





A farmer in South Darfur trained on improved livestock keeping, tending to his cattle.

Safeguarding and Child Protection

In 2022, World Vision Sudan implemented child protection, gender based violence prevention and education activities in South Darfur, East Darfur, Blue Nile and South Kordofan states targeting internally displaced people, refugees, returnees and host communities. This was done through the provision of mental health and psychosocial support and counselling sessions, GBV response and prevention, awareness raising campaigns and activities, community capacity building, providing vulnerable women and girls with income generating activities as well providing support for children with disabilities and supporting unaccompanied and separated children.



63,517
people supported through the protection programme including
31,139
children



2 safe spaces constructed for children and women in South Darfur

1,619 most vulnerable children supported through various child welfare activities



29,142
children reached with education activities

23
teachers trained as master trainers able to train other teachers



20
disabled girls and boys provided with disability equipment



480
unaccompanied and separated children identified, registered and placed in alternative care and their caregivers provided with support



1,053
people, including World Vision Sudan staff, government line ministries and community members, trained on safeguarding and child protection

Success story

In 2022, World Vision Sudan engaged children's voices by facilitating meetings between children and the senior leadership team. From these discussions, an action plan incorporating some of the children's needs was developed.

As part of the engagement, two children from Bilail refugee camp in South Darfur were also invited to participate in World Vision Sudan's inter-faith Day of Prayer on 2 October 2022.

This was an opportunity for all staff to hear from children supported through World Vision's work and for the children to participate in an important day in World Vision's calendar of ushering in a new financial year with prayer.

Speaking at the event, 14-year old Akol from Bilail refugee camp acknowledged the impact the World Vision supported child-friendly center has had as it provides them a safe place to play and learn.

World Vision child friendly spaces in the different states provide targeted recreational activities such as sports and awareness raising sessions to empower children and provide them with a channel through which to express themselves.

“ We have fully equipped centres to play in and child protection networks that help us all in the camp.”

*14-year old Akol,
supported child from Bilal refugee camp* ”



Key Learning

In 2022, the child protection team held regular meetings and engaged with children from communities supported by World Vision. These meetings enabled the team to identify child protection risks and vulnerability in the targeted areas and helped in design of child protection proposals.

World Vision Sudan staff trained on safeguarding and child protection interacts with a child at a WFP funded clinic in South Darfur.



Faith and Development

In order to enhance positive and peaceful relationships among children, their families and communities, World Vision Sudan is implementing a US\$1,000,000 five-year faith and development programme in South Darfur, East Darfur, South Kordofan, Blue Nile and Khartoum. Through this programme, World Vision works with faith leaders, providing them the skills and tools to become influential voices in advocating for and promoting child and gender protection.

The project also supports staff and partners to live out their faith and values appropriately in an inter-faith context. World Vision Sudan maintains a high level of engagement with inter-faith and key government officials to scale up partnerships appropriate to the context.

Success story

Empowering Communities to Promote Peace in South Darfur

World Vision Sudan, with support from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and World Vision US implements peacebuilding projects in South Darfur, Sudan.

The Darfur Community Peace-Building and Stabilization Fund in Kubum and Ed Elfursan is aimed at promoting peace between the 30 different communities in the area by using community based resolution committees.

These committees, composed of local administrators, religious leaders, women and youth representatives from the different ethnic groups, are trained by World Vision on conflict resolution and how to promote peaceful co-existence.

One of those trained is Sheikh Ahmed, the head of the Nurly village committee in Ed Elfursan.

“Previously the methods we used to resolve conflict were not objective as we’d only rely on one source. After the training by World Vision, I’m now equipped with knowledge on conflict resolution.

Conflict is now resolved in a systematic way by collecting information from all parties and conducting follow-up meetings until the issue is resolved. I have been empowered to contribute to my community on peace building matters,” says Sheikh Ahmed.

The Darfur peace-building project seeks to address some of the root causes of conflict by providing infrastructure support, income generating activities and vocational training to enable beneficiaries support themselves and co-exist peacefully.

“ I’m now equipped with knowledge on conflict resolution. ”
Sheikh Ahmed



178

faith and community leaders from South and East Darfur trained on child protection, psychosocial support and child rights resulting in child protection and advocacy messages broadcast by Imams every Friday during prayer



6,525

people reached with child protection messages during prayers



2,262

people attended mind-set and behaviour change meetings aimed at challenging deep-rooted negative beliefs on child marriage, child abuse and general child protection issues



124

faith leaders trained on fostering peaceful co-existence amongst community members



67

government officials and national partners engaged on child protection and lobbying for promotion of child-friendly policies and laws



2,066

people reached through drama and advocacy campaigns highlighting child protection

Key Learning

- Tribal conflict, especially in Blue Nile, resulted in complete suspension of project implementation twice during the year. Key learning is to fast-track the implementation of projects and nurture community 'champions' (Trainers of Trainers), who can facilitate some activities when staff are unable to access certain areas.
- Mindset change is key towards effective project delivery. It has been observed that there is a demonstrated transformation in the targeted communities where the project is being implemented in comparison to other areas due to the use of faith leaders through mindset change training. This calls for effective integration of faith and development programming into other projects.



South Darfur community members participate in training on their role in promoting the well-being of children.



Strategy, Risk and Compliance

1 Successful completion of the annual strategy review resulted in the identification, distribution, and implementation of action points. Some action points are still in progress, and follow-up is ongoing.

2 The trend shows that most of risks are performing at the same level or improving, while other risks need further action.

3 When all World Vision Sudan risks are considered, the majority of the current risks are Medium, Low, or Very Low. There are no critical risks and only a few high risks that are monitored.

4 Phase One of the Integrated Compliance Management Tool assessment has been completed, and action points to address the gaps have been identified.

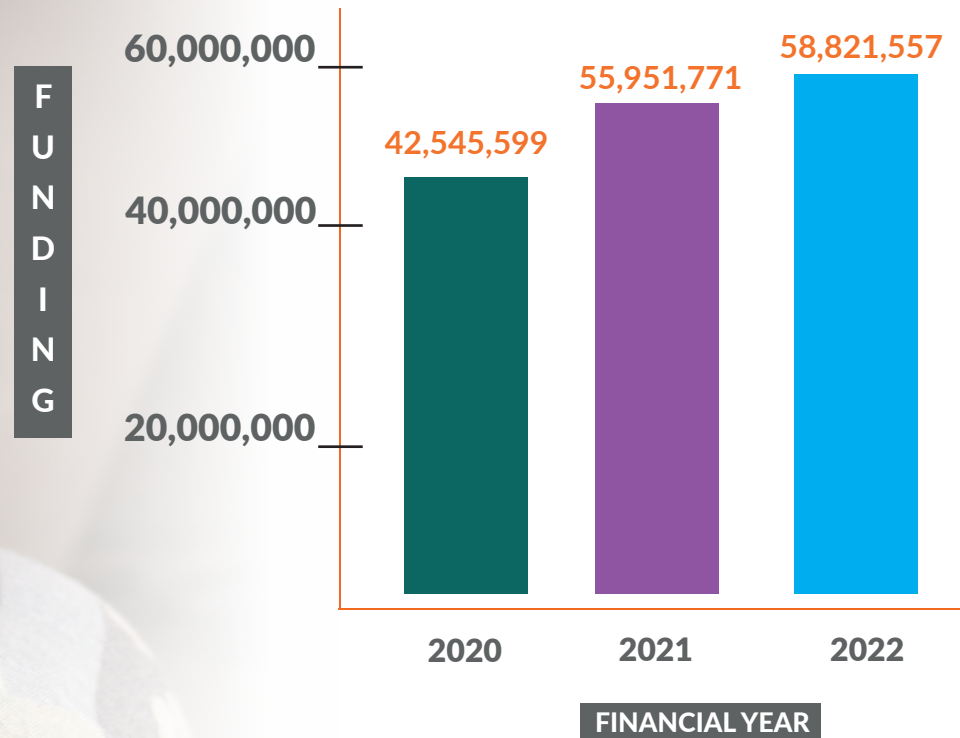


Students from Otash Primary School in South Darfur in a classroom renovated by World Vision.

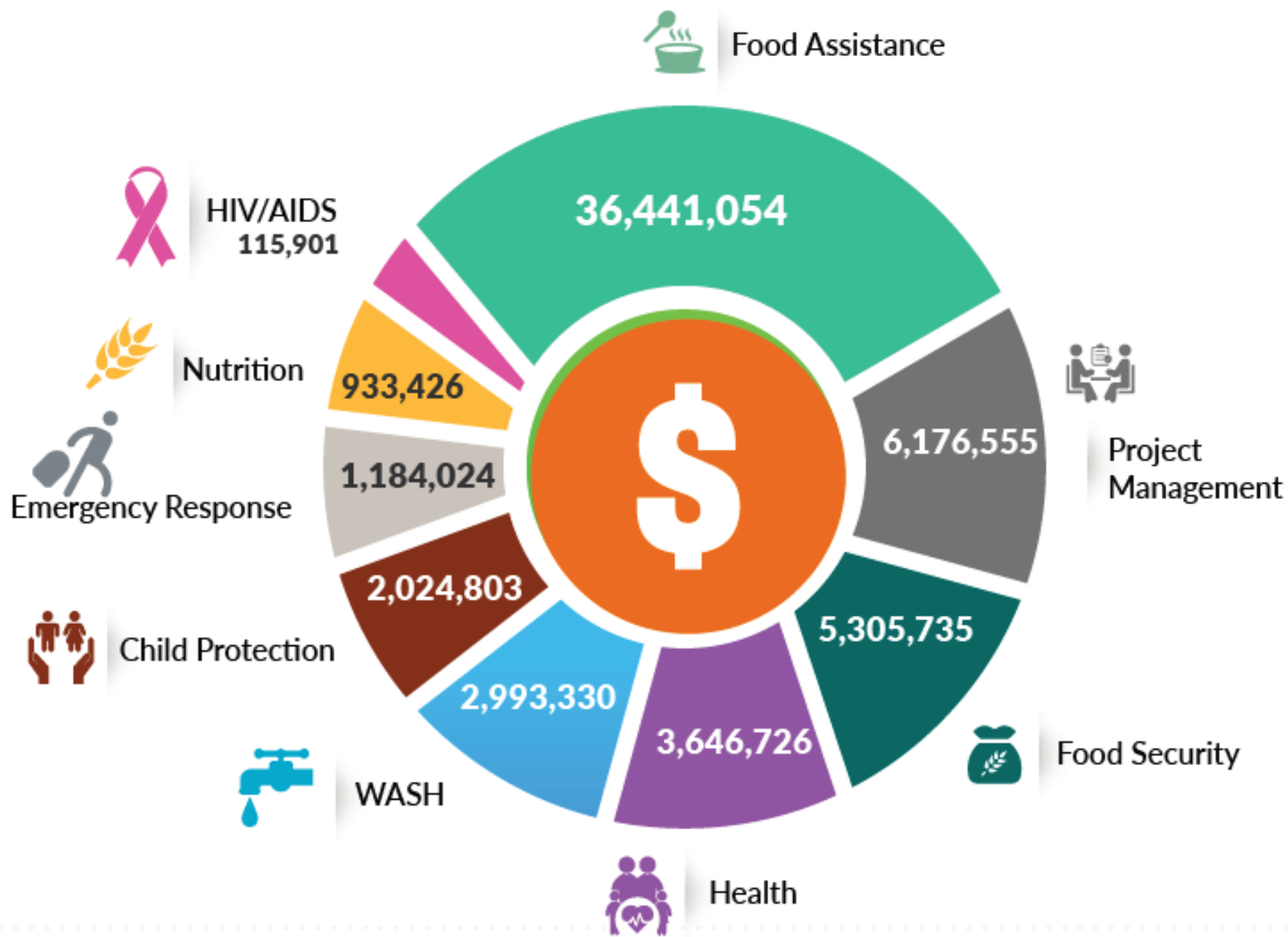
Financial Summary

Thanks to the generous support of our donors, both bilateral and multilateral, as well as individual private donors, World Vision Sudan's funding increased from approximately US\$ 55,900,00 in the 2021 Financial Year (FY21) to US \$ **58,800,000** in the 2022 Financial Year (FY 22).

Revenue Trend



Total expenditure per sector (all amounts in USD)



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