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



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Message from the National Director



The year 2015 is special for two reasons: it marks the twentieth anniversary of World Vision's presence in Niger and it also marked the end of the 2013-2015 National Strategy. As we mark the twentieth year of World Vision's presence and contribution to the well-being of children in Niger, it is also a year in which we would like to highlight the many achievements we have chalked in different sectors of our interventions as stated in our National Strategy. It is a pleasure for me to highlight a few of our achievements this year, and invite you to celebrate with us.

During 2015, the number of children enrolled in our sponsorship programs has increased from 44 568 to 47 619 in the following regions; Maradi, Zinder, Tahoua, Tillabery and Niamey.

These children are sponsored by voluntary donors from Canada, the United States of America, Switzerland, Korea, Taiwan, the United Kingdom, New Zealand and Australia. We are deeply grateful to them, because they allow us to realise the dream, of improving the well-being of the children.

In the Food Security and Resilience sector, World Vision enabled farmers to adapt, an agriculture not dependent on weather conditions, by working closely with partners, local authorities to provide various forms of assistance to small famers including; the acquisition of rain and vegetables improved seeds, capacity building of more than 2 000 farmers on Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR), extension of drip systems, the introduction of new farming methods that increase productivity, etc. All this to make communities more resilient to shocks.

In health, the diagnosis and treatment of cases of malaria, diarrhea and pneumonia has increased to two more districts, in addition to the two covered in the previous year. More than 205 000 single cases of these diseases in children at age 2-59 months were treated by more than one thousand trained and equipped community health volunteers.

In partnership with the World Food Programme, World Vision supported more than 37 000 children suffering from global acute malnutrition through therapeutic feeding centres in our areas of intervention.

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In the Water, Sanitation & Hygiene programme, we have made remarkable progress with the start of activities in several villages in the Dosso region and the achievement of 182 boreholes fitted with hand pumps, thus enabling World Vision to achieve a thousandth boreholes drilled on Niger soil .

Our programs have enabled many young girls to be saved from early marriage, thousands of women have become more independent through credit from the saving groups, hundreds of teachers have increased their teaching skills, thousands of boys and girls have benefited from quality education, hundreds of religious actors have been equipped with better knowledge of their roles in community development.

Another remarkable achievement is the Diffa emergency response project execution. Despite a difficult economic context, World Vision was able to assist internally displaced people and refugees in the region of Diffa, by providing water, hygiene and sanitation services, distributing non-food items and drugs to the local health centres.

World Vision's interventions in the areas of humanitarian assistance and in community development, are targeted to improve the quality of life of children, families and communities. The results contained in this report cannot reflect the entire contribution of World Vision this year. But, they express the hope that " our vision for every child, life in all its fullness " becomes a reality.

I want to, on behalf of children, their families and the entire World Vision Niger team, express my profound gratitude to sponsors and donors for their generosity, the Government of Niger for their support and the financial partners for their trust.

Thanks for your help!

Albert Kodio,
Directeur National



World Vision Niger

World Vision Niger

The first intervention of World Vision in Niger dates back to 1973 following the drought that Sahel countries including Niger experienced. However, this intervention was only occasional. However, In 1994 World Vision settled in Niger with the aim to implement long-term community projects focusing on health, education and child protection, while meeting emergency food needs as well.

Today World Vision Niger intervenes in seven out of the eight regions in the country, Niamey, Dosso, Maradi, Tahoua, Tillaberi, Zinder and Diffa. By the end of 2015, World Vision Niger had 291 permanent staff, including 75 women.

World Vision uses the approach of Area Development Program (ADP) for the implementation of its funded projects. The ADP model focuses on vulnerable communities by targeting zones for maximum impact. World Vision Niger has 21 ADPs located in rural and urban areas.

In addition, two major Grant projects are being implemented by World Vision Niger; a USAID-funded resilience project in the Maradi region called " Livelihoods, Agriculture and Health Interventions in Action " (LAHIA) and another funded by WHO on community based health management in the Dosso region called " Niger Integrated Child Health " (NICe RaCe).

World Vision Niger's programs are funded through child sponsorship which represents 43% of our budget and by grants from various governments and multilateral structures including the World Food Programme, WHO, FAO, Hilton foundation and other partners which represents 57%



Some highlights of the fiscal year 2015

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October 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Ministry of Public Health validated the guiding documents for an integrated management of malaria, diarrhea and pneumonia at the community level
November 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● End of the dichotomy East - West Operating model. All operations under one leadership ● Nick Danziger a renowned photojournalist visited Niger on the Millennium Development Goals
December 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● World Vision Niger organised a workshop with the religious leaders of 8 regions on Ebola prevention.

January 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Start of the humanitarian response in Diffa in partnership with Samaritan's Purse
February 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Start of Project Charity : Water at Dosso
March 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● WHO team visited Nice Race project at Dosso ● Barbara Goldberg, President and founder of Wells Bring Hope visited ● Tahoua South program (Municipality of Bambeye) started
April 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FPMG (Food Programme Management Group) awards LAHIA with an Excellence award for good management of programs funded by " USAID Grant " in Cape Town South Africa. ● Acquisition of a MOELAN drilling workshop (Engine that can drill up to 800 meters) for Tahoua.
May 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Visit of the Deputy Minister of Planning and Community Development programs to Tillaberi and Makalondi districts ● Organisation of the Week of Citizen Hearings in Tillaberi as part of the Global Week of Action. ● Laying the foundation stone of Makalondi vocational training centre by the Deputy Minister of Planning and Community Development ● Opening of the humanitarian response office in Diffa ● Broadcast of a documentary on World Vision's operations in Niger, produced by RENJED
June 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Launch of the Charity :Water project at Dosso by Niger's Minister of Hydraulics ● Development of a tool to analyse the national nutritional situation by triangulating several indicators and interventions to better understand the trends. This tool "Baromètre de la nutrition" was developed in partnership with the Department of Nutrition of Niger Public Health Ministry
September 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Funding for the validation of Niger's malnutrition guide ● Approval of the new 2016-2021 Strategy by the Regional leader of World Vision West Africa



2015 Overview

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291

Staff

Male : 216

Female : 75

21

Area Development Program (ADP)

9

Support offices that fund our programs

2015

Advocacy: Development of a document entitled "Baromètre de la nutrition" Tool to analysis the nutritional

800 000

Children reached by World Vision activities in collaboration with local communities and partner agencies

47 619

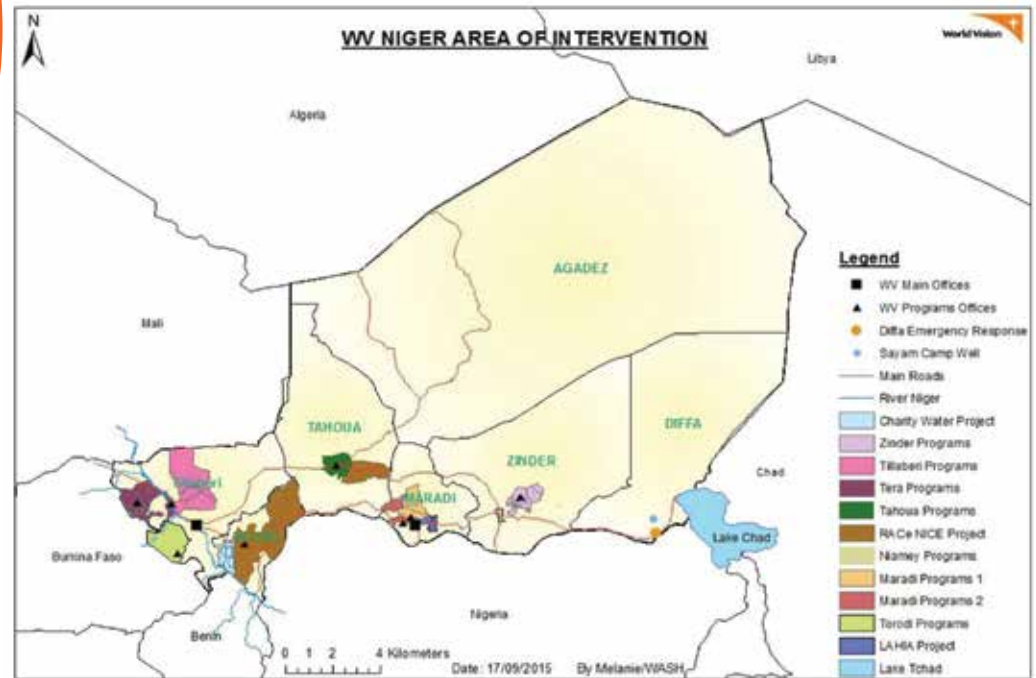
Children registered in the sponsorship program

22,487,368 \$

Budget 2015



World Vision's interventions areas in Niger



Strategic Plan ↘

World Vision Niger strategy for the period 2013-2015

By the end of 2015, World Vision Niger (WVN) will help improve the well-being of 800 000 girls and boys; including the most vulnerable.

World Vision Niger's strategy is focused on five objectives

Increase from 75% to 85% the number of children, less than 5 years of age, who are protected against infection and disease in WVN intervention areas.

Reduce the rate of global acute malnutrition among children, less than 5 years of age, from 14.4% to lower than 10%. And the rate of chronic malnutrition among under 5 year olds from 39.8% to lower than 35%.

Increase people's access to potable water from 51% to 80%, in WVN intervention areas. And promote behavioural change in order to improve hygiene and sanitation practices.

Have all communities, within WVN ADPs, incorporating DRR (Disaster Risk Reduction) into their coping mechanism against disaster.

Increase the percentage of children aged 11 that can read and count in WVN's areas of intervention from 20% to 40%.



Water Sanitation and Hygiene

Water Sanitation and Hygiene

In 2015, the number of beneficiaries with access to safe water has increased significantly. The intervention has reached communities and institutions, such as schools and health centres in and out of World Vision intervention areas. Thus, in 2015 a total of 88 550 people, including 51 359 children, benefited from drilled and rehabilitated boreholes, mechanized system and extensions of existing systems.

The coverage in terms of sanitation has also improved, thanks to the implementation of the CLTS (Community Led Total Sanitation) approach, which impacted 73 communities. Communities that have reached the status of open defecation free (ODF) are being supported and monitored to prevent a relapse and other initiatives are being implemented to help those communities to improve sanitation facilities.

The program aims at improving sanitation in schools through the construction of separate latrines for girls and boys. Latrines are also equipped with hand washing devices for use before and after latrine use. A total of 48 institutional latrines with 2 tanks each were built out of the 50 planned for the year. In total 9 465 students including 4 333 girls and 5 132 boys benefited from the latrines built.

2015 achievements

- 182 positive boreholes drilled
- 31 old boreholes rehabilitated
- 33 taps from high yield mechanised system construction and extension
- 60 manual boreholes constructed for agricultural purposes
- 48 institutional latrines constructed
- 226 WASH committee members trained on gender sensitive issues
- 72 repair artisans trained and equipped with tools
- 268 teachers trained on basic sanitation and hygiene skills
- 73 communities are triggered for CLTS and followed up to reach ODF status

Kaltoumi is a 25 year old young woman with 3 children from the village of Banigoungou, whose main job is vegetable gardening. This year World Vision project financed by Charity :Water drilled four manual pumps. The manual pumps have brought a great change in the live of the young woman.

“I have been doing gardening for the past six years. But in the past, I had a big space I could not water because I used to spend a lot of time to fetch water from the well and at the end of the day, I used to feel very tired. But with the manual pump, it is very fast and painless. This year, I had the opportunity to use all the space. In addition, we drink water from the pump which is better than from the well. We thank all those who drilled the manual pump.”



Charity:Water program officer inaugurating a borehole at Dosso

Food Security and Resilience

Food Security and Resilience

Our objective : we commit to enhancing the availability of food through local agriculture.

World Vision Niger's food security program has been in existence since 1995. But in 2013, a strategic decision was made to include resilience program because Niger is a country known for its vulnerability to natural disasters such as floods and food insecurity. Today, the food security and resilience program continue to impact positively the lives of rural communities through its interventions by acting first on the causes of food insecurity.

2015 Achievements

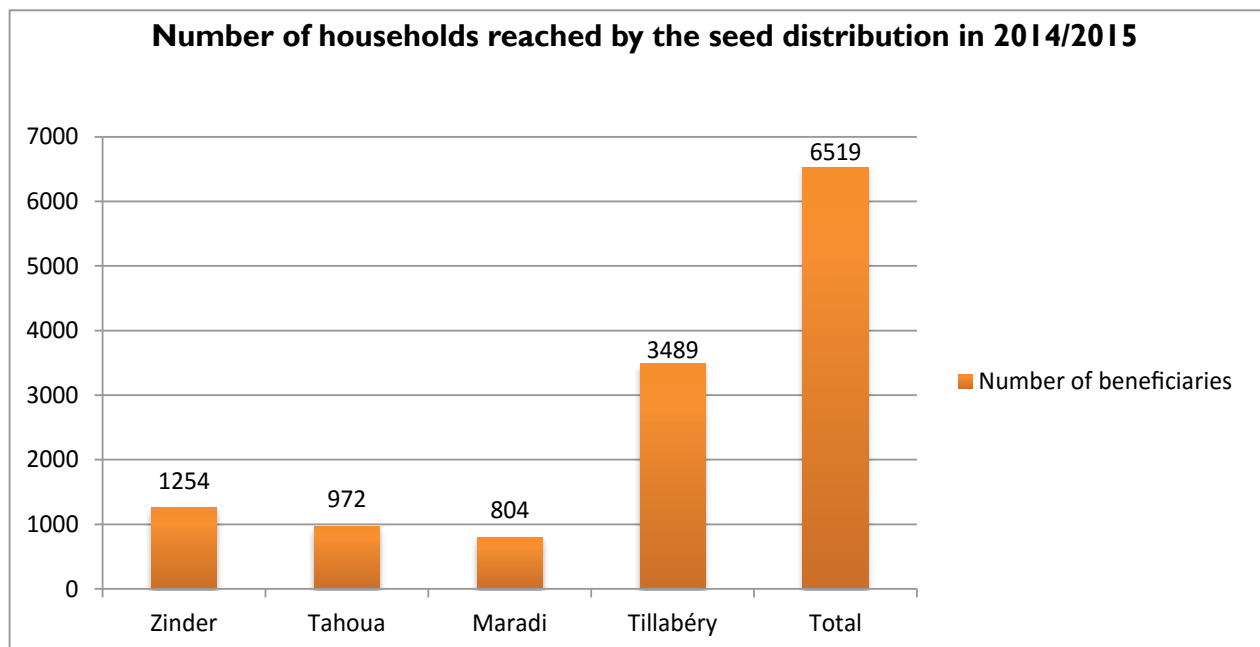
World Vision Niger, has implemented many food security projects through its various teams. Thus, in 2015 fiscal year, one can take note of the following achievements we have made in our quest to meet food security requirements:

- World Vision has been supporting communities by strengthening their capacities in Moringa production.
- **163** women have been trained on the Moringa oil extraction techniques and processing Moringa leaves in soup, cookies, cakes and toffee.
- **650** women have benefited from capacity building in the use and processing of edible acacia seeds originally from Australia, 750 acacia plants and 550 spp acacia colei seedlings were planted.
- World Vision Niger facilitated the promotion of drip irrigation. This can be illustrated by the vegetable garden production activities on Kiemro model site where nearly 80 producers work.
- Facilitating the acquisition of rain and improved vegetable seeds: 61.8 tons of potatoes, 120.8 kg of cabbage, 9.6 kg of lettuce, 90.00 kg of onion, 27.25 kg of tomato, 42.05 kg of carrots and 12.05 tons of corn to benefit 6 519 producers (2 159 men and 4 360 women) thanks to the partnership with FAO and the seeds for the winter production, 87 pumps of 3KVA and plowing equipment.
- Training of 145 women in gardening products conservation and transformation techniques
- About 11.675 hectares sown with 320 practitioners farmers and 2 064 farmers sensitised on the practice of FMNR (Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration).



- 431 farmers have been trained on compost production (276 men and 155 women) and 8 920 kg of compost were produced and transported to the fields to increase annual production.
- 2 200 farmers benefited from capacity building in FMNR with more than 5 000 hectares regenerated for more than 94 species of trees protected
- 56 farmers were trained on the different grafting techniques and regeneration activities of degraded lands (BDL Bio = Degraded land claim) during a study tour.
- 500 farmers who have been trained are practicing the production of compost
- Increased the capacity of twenty-five cereal banks with 39.6 tons of millet
- The monitoring of 126 cereal banks set up by the program since its installation, has shown that more than 1 260 tons of food were initially placed as starter stock in 2015.
- 698.4 tons were available for the lean season in 2015
- 366 free goats distributed to orphans and 50 oxen distributed to help growth of livestock.
- 500 people participated in an agricultural fair organized by World Vision to promote gardening and allow exchange of ideas and best practices among stakeholders.
- One thousand (1 000) new households impacted by World Vision's work in building community resilience through the development of irrigated crops and improving the income of vulnerable communities in partnership with FAO.

Households reached by seed distribution operation in 2014/2015





LAHIA

(Livelihoods Agriculture and Health Interventions in Actions)

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LAHIA is a development program funded by USAID implemented in partnership with Save the Children. The overall objective is "the reduction of food insecurity and malnutrition in poor rural households in the districts of Aguié, Guidan Roumji and Gazaoua in Maradi region."

After the third year of implementation, significant steps have been made towards the achievement of program objectives. Indeed, the various awareness campaigns conducted by peer educators, husbands' schools and communication networks set up and the trainings are helping to improve the behaviour of the communities.

There is better access to health centres, a net improvement in the adoption of exclusive breastfeeding and antenatal and postnatal consultations. There is also the reduction of water-related diseases and hygiene through the increase in the number of sanitation facilities as a result of CLTS (Community Led Total Sanitation) and access to drinking water.

The program aims to improve household resilience by increasing their access to sufficient, diversified food, by promoting gardening, improving winter production, by setting up farmers' field schools and by strengthening farmers' capacities. Added to this practice is the "Habbanayé" and increasing forage availability through the fight against "Sida cordifolia".

The early warning system and response to emergencies is expanding, with the establishment and strengthening of the capacity of 2 MOV (Monitoring Observatory Vulnerability) and 18 SCAP / RU (Community Early Warning System and response to Emergencies). In addition, our work in the area of protecting and improving the environment through the promotion of FMNR have contributed to increase household resilience,

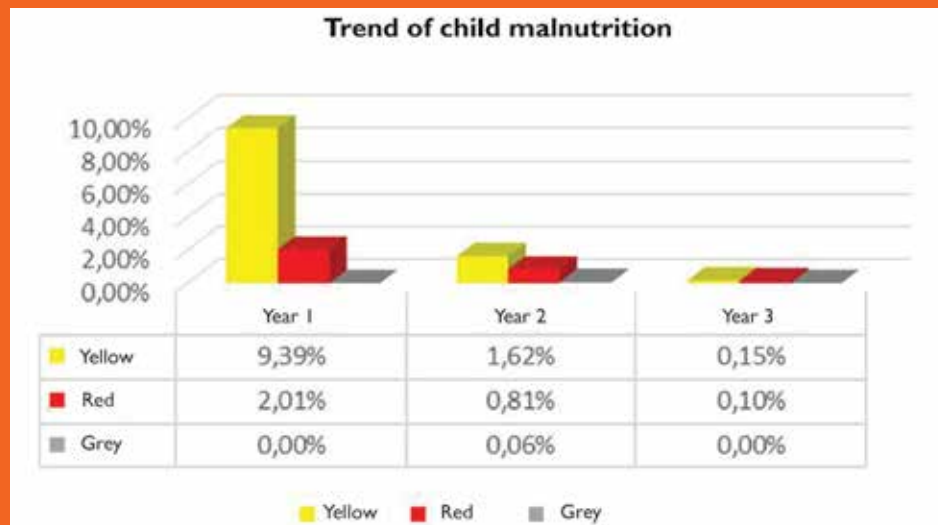
The program is improving the status of women in households through capacity building, empowerment, as well as behavioural change.

2015 Achievements

- 84 peer educators, 24 schools of husbands, 21 homes and IYCF (Infant and Young Child Feeding) nutritional support groups have been set up and trained to disseminate key messages of behaviour change in the following topics; family planning, exclusive breastfeeding and food preparation. A total of 15 905 people have been reached and sensitised .

The following graph gives an idea of the program's impact on the nutritional status of children:

- 8 871 children under 5 years old were screened by peer educators accompanied by health workers and Lahia workers in the 21 villages covered by World Vision area. The agents of the state health center and Lahia, accompanied the peer educators for the screening of 8 871 children under 5 years in World Vision intervention areas, made up of 21 villages.



Source : Lahia quarterly monitoring data malnutrition (Screening)

According to the quarterly monitoring program data on malnutrition, there has been a decrease in malnutrition in 21 villages. The rate of moderate malnutrition has decreased from 9.39 percent in 2013 (first year of the project) to 0.15 percent in 2015. In the third year of the project, 97.8 percent of children (8 849) didn't suffer from malnutrition, 0,15 percent (13 children) suffered from moderate acute malnutrition, and 0,10 percent (9 children) suffered from severe acute malnutrition and were referred to a health centre.

- 34 boreholes equipped with hand pumps have been drilled and 3 mini potable water tanks provided this year (bringing to 62 the total number of boreholes and 4 mini potable water tanks to date). This has increased access to drinking water to over 30 000 people (from 31 percent in 2014 to 65 percent in 2015).
- 14 blocks of school latrines (for girls and boys) have been built, thus bringing the number of latines built to 20 in 10 WASH (Water Sanitation and Hygiene) friendly schools, thus improving the sanitation facilities from 35 percent to 67 percent.
- 108 council advisers (93 men and 15 women) trained on communal work matters
- A total of 9,556,900 FCFA was mobilised and allocated in the form of credit for women members of 102 savings groups for IGA (Income Generating Activities).
- from the 185 animals rotation through "Habbanayé" the number of beneficiaries has increased from 360 to 545 at the end of the year.

The following table gives a summary on the warrantage status.

Table: Summary of warrantage situation in 2015

Credits received (FCFA)	Value of sales products (FCFA)	Gross benefit
12 159 700 (\$ 24,319)	22 092 550 (\$ 44,185)	9 932 850 (\$ 19,866)

In 2015, the warrantage activities helped 14 groups composed of 712 members, including 257 women from 14 villages that gain a profit of 9,932,850 CFA francs (\$ 19,866) representing an average of 14,000 FCFA per women.

- 51 farmers' field schools with 1 301 students and 17 farmer's field schools with 458 vegetable garden students (including 350 women) were set up. As a result 146.24 tons of vegetables were produced on 8.9 hectares (ha) of land.
- 450 hectares of grasing areas recovered through food for work activity.

"Thanks to the support of LAHIA program. I am now able to exclusively breastfeed my twins who are now five months old. They never drank water or ate something other than breast milk. Through this program, which set up a support group in our village, I have all the knowledge on the benefit of exclusive breastfeeding. All my other children did not have this opportunity. Today my twins are in good health while in the past, my other children were malnourished, perhaps because I was ignorant. I was frequently in the health centre, where I spend a lot of money for their treatment. But just look at them now, are they not healthy?" She said with joy.

This is just one example of many great stories of change that we have recorded as a result of our actions against malnutrition.

**Madame Salamatou Hamza,
mother of 6 children in Tadeta village.**





Humanitarian Emergency

Humanitarian Emergency

Through Humanitarian Emergency interventions World Vision aims to integrate disaster risk reduction and reduce the vulnerability of the community, including children, in its areas of intervention,

In 2015, following the violence perpetrated by Boko Haram in north eastern Nigeria, many people fled their country to settle in Diffa. World Vision Niger supported the refugees through the distribution of non-food items, the drilling of a well to provide clean water, supply of medicines, hygiene kits and the establishment of a Child Friendly Space.

2015 Achievements

Non-food items were distributed to 114 households (including 59 women heads of household) victims of flood in Birnin Kazoe village in Zinder region. The non-food items distributed are made of the following: 432 treated mosquito nets, products for water treatment, 144 plastic buckets, 144 plastic pots, 144 cans of 25 liters and 288 kettles.

Humanitarian Response in Diffa

From January to March 2015, through the benevolence of Samaritan's Purse, non-food items were distributed to the refugees affected by the crisis. In May, World Vision opened its office in Diffa.

As part of Diffa response the following projects were implemented:

- **WASH**

In the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene sector, a borehole was built in Sayam's refugees' camp, hygiene and sanitation promotion activities were carried out (distribution of soap, wash hands kits, trash, ploughing equipment). In addition, awareness raising activities and training were done. These actions have reached 1 281 people at a cost of \$ 20,000.

- **Distribution of non-food items**

Non-food items made up of (25L cans, buckets with lids, ladles, pots for children, mats, sheets, 3 pieces of wrappers, kettles, pieces of soap, mosquito net, blankets.) were distributed, at the cost of \$ 112,000 and 1 390 households were reached.

- **Health**

World Vision supported N'guigmi District health centre by supplying drugs and medical items at the cost of \$ 57,000.

- **Child Protection**

A Child Friendly Space was set up in Sayam camp, with a football field, a volleyball field, slides, swings, and a tent for children under 5 years old with various and educational toys. Under the supervision of 40 agents. This intervention have reached 650 children (352 girls and 298 boys) at the cost of \$ 63,000.

"My name is Hawa Rahmani, I am 25 years old, I am a housewife living in Birnin N'Kazoe village. In 2015 because of the rain the village was flooded. We almost lost all our properties. After the flooding we were forced to stay out of the village, in a place surrounded by bushes and mosquitoes.

We received assistance from World Vision through the distribution of impregnated mosquito nets. This has enabled our children to be safe from malaria. We also benefited from 25 litres cans to store drinking water, buckets for bathing and to wash the clothes, hygiene kits (children's pots, kettles, etc.).

World Vision was the first NGO that emerged with basic support supplies and advice especially in the prevention of water-borne diseases. World Vision's interventions have brought us comfort and helped us to understand, the degree to which World Vision values the vulnerable people in communities, especially the poorest.

We thank World Vision Niger for its presence in this unfortunate event. World Vision's intervention has relieved us morally and physically from difficult situation. Long live World Vision and all its employees!"



**Hawa Rahmani, 25 years old,
housewife living in Birnin N'Kazoe village.**

Development of micro enterprise

Development of micro enterprise

Our goal is to contribute to reduce extreme poverty and enhance the resilience of households by facilitating access to microcredit and encouraging women to engage in income-generating activities (IGA). The development of micro-enterprise in Niger aims to help women manage their money and spend it wisely.



2015 Achievements

- In September 2015, 184 new savings groups have been created, bringing to 568 the total number of savings groups. From the 568 savings groups, 327 were created in villages where World Vision drilled a borehole. The 14 356 members of 568 savings groups mobilised during 2015 a total of \$ 228,544 as savings. This amount allowed 6 133 members to access loans, ranging from \$ 20 to \$ 1,000 depending on the environment and a combined credit portfolio of \$ 91,417 for 2015.
- Between May and June (lean season period) \$228,544 savings made were distributed to members. This distribution is done at the end of a savings group cycle.
- 14 356 members have created 10 073 individual Income Generating Activities (IGA) and 25 collective microenterprises that allow them to support 107 634 children.
- 76 savings groups in Niamey were established in 9 specialised value chains. The specialised savings groups manufacture liquid and solid soap, perfume and food processing with precise sale points.
- 55 village agents were trained in monitoring the savings groups to gradually replace World Vision staff to ensure sustainability.
- 920 savings groups leaders, were trained on their groups management.
- 323 members have received training on the production of local soap, incense, perfume and on the transformation and conservation of agro-forestry-pastoral products.

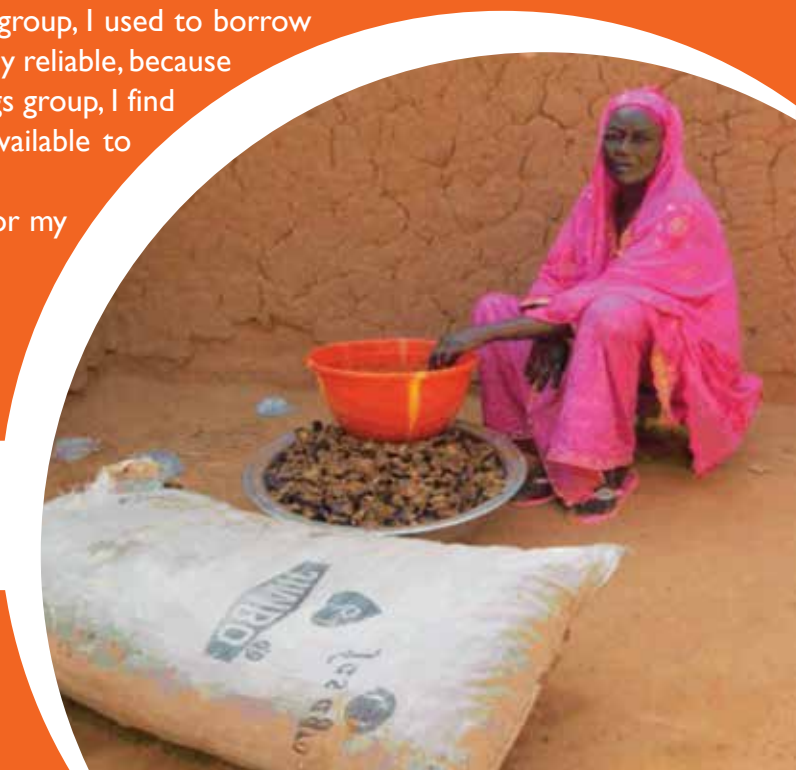
Table: Savings Groups created between 2014, 2015 and resources mobilised

Périod	Number of savings group	Number of beneficiaries	Savings mobilised	Reimbursed credits revenues	Profits from credit activities
2014	384	8 634	38,159,000 Fcfa (\$ 66,125)	25,769,000 Fcfa (\$ 51,538)	1,862,000 Fcfa (\$ 3,724)
2015	568	14 356	114,392,000 Fcfa (\$ 228,784)	69,146,000 Fcfa (\$ 138,292)	3,958,000 Fcfa (\$ 7,916)
Ecart	+184	+5 722	+76,233, 000 Fcfa (\$ 152,466)	+43,377,000 FCFA (\$ 86,754)	2,096,000 FCFA (\$ 4,192)

“My name is Seyba Illiassou, I’m a member of Mountashi da Kanmu savings group, which means “Let us act by ourselves “in Zoulanké village, of Tahoua district. I am producing dried tomato flour, thanks to the credit of 600,000 to 800,000 FCFA (\$1,200 to \$1,600) I took during a ten months cycle. The credit allowed me to have a stock for my customers’ demand. I buy a dry tomato sack for 25,000 CFA (\$ 50), I pay the miller for processing it into flour 200 CFA (\$ 4). When I sell it, I usually make a profit of 15,000 FCFA (\$ 30) per sack. Before the creation of our village savings group, I used to borrow money from relatives or neighbors to run my business, but this wasn’t very reliable, because my business used to stop occasionally for lack of funding. With the savings group, I find an opportunity to grow my business, because there is always money available to borrow.

The profit I make, allows me to pay health and education costs for my three daughters and vocational training of my four boys.”

Madame Seyba Illiassou, member of Mountashi da Kanmu savings group





Health and Nutrition

Health and Nutrition

The Health and Nutrition sector is implemented in 20 programs' zones. The overall objective is to contribute to the reduction of child mortality. Since August 2005, World Vision Niger is committed to meeting the challenges related to malnutrition among children under 5 years old, alongside many other development partners. As a result, the Community Management of Acute Malnutrition approach (CMAM) has been established in 20 programs zones.

World Vision Niger works with fifteen (15) health districts and in one hundred and thirty-seven (137) Integrated Health Centres (CSI), 95 of them are from the NICE-Race project, within six (6) regions namely, Dosso, Maradi, Tahoua, Tillaberi, Niamey and Zinder.

This section provides the nutritional data for the period of January to December 2015, as well as information on the promotion of child health through immunisation, malaria prevention and promotion of infant and child feeding. The main objectives of this sector is:

- 1) Reducing the global acute malnutrition rate among children under 5 years old, from 14.4 percent to less than 10 percent. And chronic malnutrition rates among children under 5 years old from 39.0 percent to below 35 percent.
- 2) Increase from 75 percent to 85 percent the number of children under 5 years old, who are protected against infection and disease in our areas of interventions.

2015 Achievements:

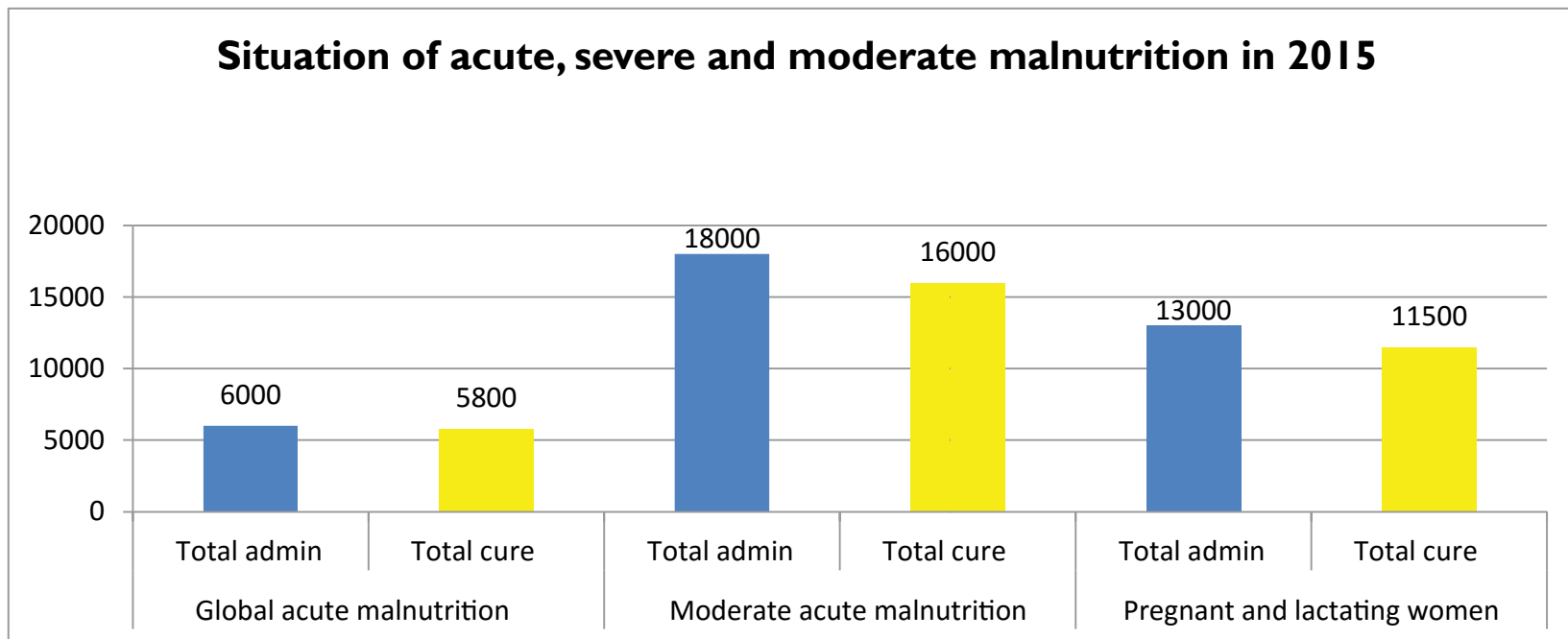
In 2015, World Vision, in collaboration with the Ministry of Public Health, has accomplished the following:

a. Nutrition:

From January to September 2015, we supported the prevention and treatment of 37 417 children suffering from global acute malnutrition (6 204 cases of severe cases and 31 213 moderate cases), by admitting those children into the nutritional rehabilitation centres covered by World Vision in partnership with WFP. In the same period, 34 261 malnourished children exited the program of which 33 492 (97 percent), were cured.

Recognising that the solution to the problem of malnutrition can be found in the community, World Vision Niger has developed and implemented a household approach called positive deviance. The approach aims to enable communities to feed malnourished children at risk with local food and prevent future malnutrition, through the adoption of new behaviours. The implementation of this approach in Ouallam and Zinder has led to treatment 175 malnourished children. Moreover, the adoption of new behaviours within communities would help prevent the incidence of malnutrition in the future.

World Vision Niger has implemented the integrated approach mHealth in the Kornaka West OFDA and World Vision Canada funded program. The objective of the mHealth is to improve the management of malnutrition and nutrition surveillance system. To date mHealth is implemented in eight Integrated Health Centres (CSI) in the Maradi region. This led to the treatment of 4 476 children suffering from acute malnutrition in the eight Kornaka West CSI's.



b. Health:

In the health sector, World Vision Niger is involved in the fight against malaria through the distribution of (LLINs) insecticide impregnated Long Life Mosquito Nets to vulnerable groups (children under 5 and pregnant women). This target includes children registered in the sponsorship program. In a period of twelve months about 200 000 LLINs were distributed. In addition, World Vision supported the immunisation of children age 0-5 years.

This sector provides an annual support of about 25 million CFA, to a mobile and outbreak management strategy, that provides the following health services (refocused antenatal consultations, childbirth assistance, Family Planning and the use of LLINs) to 1 116 community volunteers.

Epidemic management: World Vision Niger has actively participated in the national response to the meningitis epidemic. The budget invested in prevention and in the operational capacity building of health facilities is around twelve million CFA. This amount was invested in the training of public health officials, community volunteers and the purchase of inputs antibiotics, fluids, infusion sets.

Also, World Vision showed its commitment to the prevention of an outbreak of the Ebola virus disease by collaborating with the Ministry of Public Health.

As part of the national initiative to prevent Ebola disease (MVE), World Vision trained 50 religious leaders and 600 community volunteers in Niamey and its surroundings.

c. Strengthening Partnership:

World Vision Niger is a member of the CCM (country control mechanism) for the Global Fund against HIV / AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. We participated in developing Niger HIV and Malaria proposal which was submitted to the Global Fund. In addition, we co-facilitated health cluster which was coordinated by WHO and led by the Ministry of Public health.





NICe-RAcE

NICe-RAcE

The project that started in 2013 with the aim of treating cases of malaria, pneumonia and diarrhea at the Community level iCCM (integrated Community Case Management) was launched in two (2) districts namely Dosso and Dogondoutchi, then extended to the health districts of Boboye and Keita. This pilot project for the first time provided the opportunity for community volunteers to help prevent and treat simple diseases (malaria, pneumonia and diarrhea), in villages beyond five kilometres of the Integrated Health Centres.

2015 Achievements

- 1 227 Community volunteers recruited were trained in iCCM (integrated Community Case Management) and equipped for the management of cases.
- 93.39 percentage of village was covered by 1 216 community volunteers far above the 1 302 planned.
- 112 health workers (CSI heads and members of the District Framework Team) have been trained on the iCCM (integrated Community Case Management) approach.
- 51 Community volunteers supervisors from four Sanitary Districts (Dosso, Dogondoutchi, Boboye and keita) were trained on the iCCM (integrated Community Case Management) approach and equipped with motorcycles.
- 95 Community volunteers use mHealth mobile technology to treat cases.
- \$ 496,270,98 (28,812,369,077 FCFA) was spent for the purchase of medicines.

From October 2014 to September 2015, a total of 236 124 cases of illness among children aged between 2 to 59 months were seen and treated by community volunteers, which 205 591 cases were supported (Treated and referred cases).

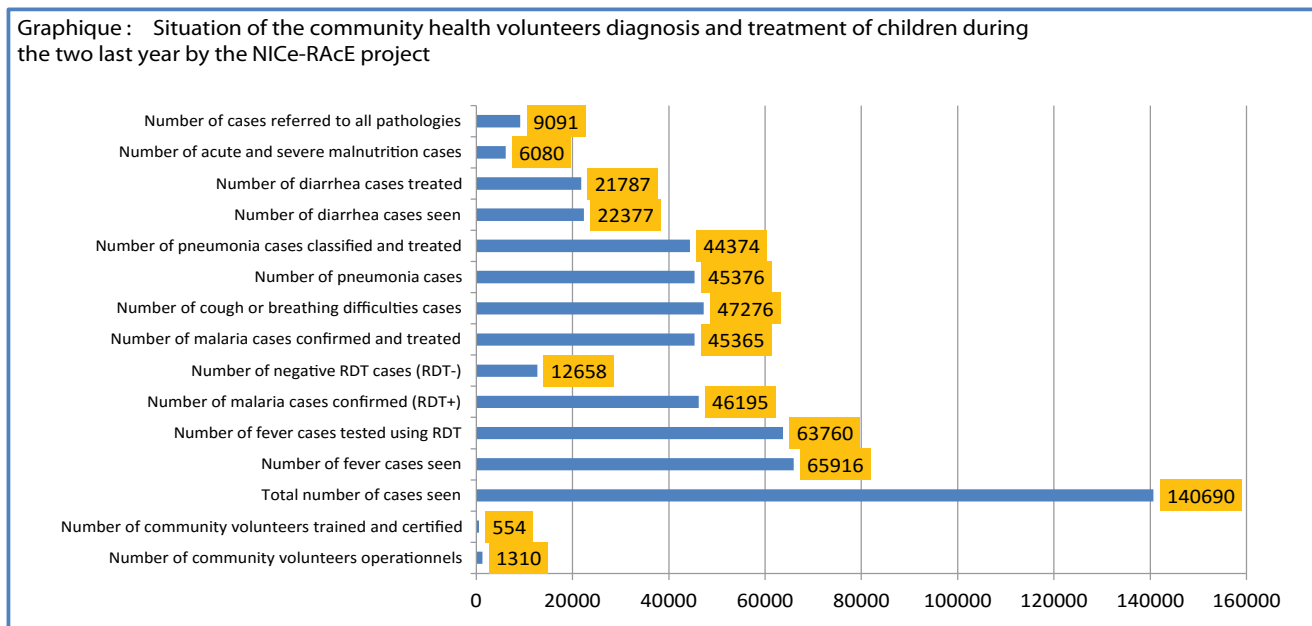
To improve the quality of care, an innovative approach of using mobile phones (mHealth) was tested with 100 community volunteers, 6 officers of the Ministry of Public Health and 5 World Vision agents to support quality and also to ensure efficiency in the management of data of seen cases.

This allowed:

- collection of remote data
- remote monitoring
- Communication and training of health workers
- Support to community volunteers in the diagnosis and treatment.



Graphique : Situation of the community health volunteers diagnosis and treatment of children during the last two years



Education

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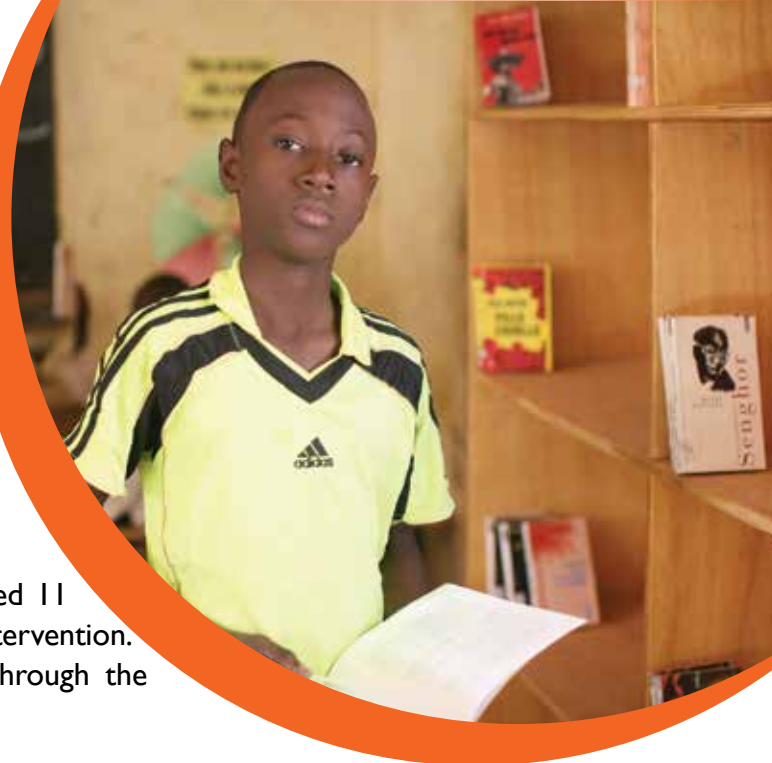
In 2015, in 20 development programs zones, World Vision Niger intervened in 600 primary schools (with an enrolment of 100 267 students), 56 children in nursery, 21 children care centres and 18 vocational training centres.

These actions were intended to “increase the percentage of children aged 11 who can read and count, from 20 percent to 40 percent” in our areas of intervention. The objective is to invest exclusively in promoting quality education through the following strategies:

1. Strengthen the capacity of community leaders and support school structures for more commitment and ownership,
2. Enhance teachers' capacity to improve techniques and the quality of learning
3. Make available textbooks and teaching and learning materials.
4. Promote alternative learning systems to benefit children that have either been excluded or exceeded the age of admission to formal the education system.

2015 Achievements

- Capacity building and educational support to 3 474 teachers including 2 340 women.
- 19 218 textbooks and teaching guides have been made available to students and teachers.
- 2 school libraries established and each equipped with 516 books.
- 19 reading books produced based on local stories to allow students to have additional learning resources.
- 220 book clubs established and supported for the promotion of learning in pairs and improve school results.
- One vocational training centre built and equipped at a cost of \$ 130,000 trainers expensed for a period of 3 years according to an established agreement with the beneficiaries.



According to the FLAT (Functional Literacy Assessment Tool) results done (from 2012 to 2015) , by using a sample of 4 000 students in year six (2 000 boys and 2 000 girls) from 200 primary schools, it was found that students' knowledge has improved by 80 percent above the country normal threshold. There is an increase of 22 points between 2012 and 2015 (from 20.75 percent to 42 percent). There is also a relatively stronger growth in urban areas which can be explained by the availability of a more favourable learning environment.

My name is Idi Malam Sani, I am the Director of the primary school in Kandine Hausa village.

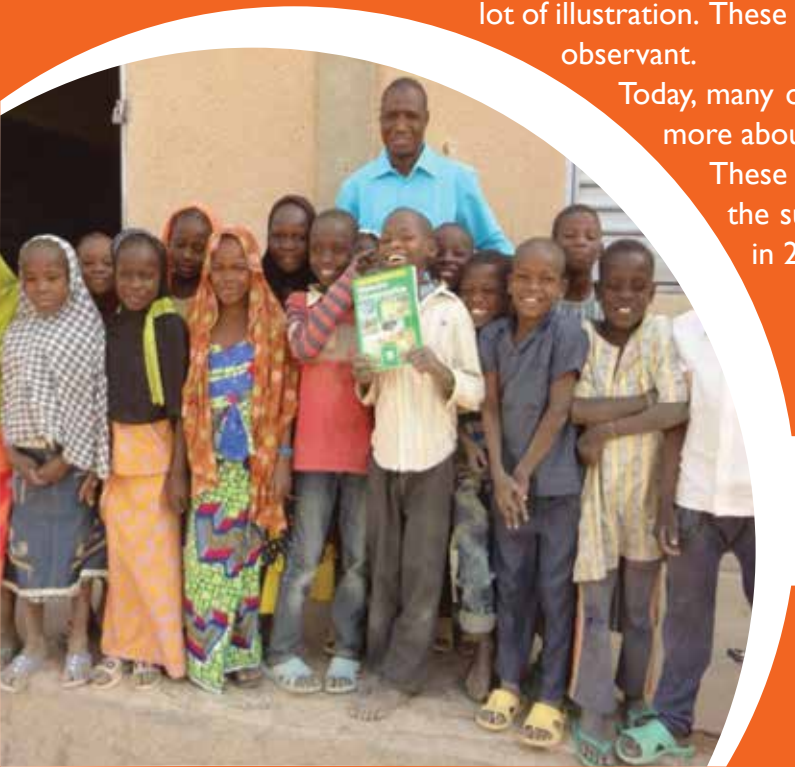
Our school has 238 students including 115 girls and 123 boys. I would like to testify that World Vision's education sector has provided valuable support to us recently.

I am the Director of this school for the past 6 years, for that reason, I am in the position to speak about the school's progress. Besides the different teachers trained, we benefited from textbooks which are vital and essential for our profession. The textbook kits are made of 40 books of Geography and History for the 5th grade of primary school, 40 others for geography and history to the 6th grade of primary school class and finally 25 history books for the 6th grade of primary school.

Frankly, this is the first time that I received quality materials in sufficient quantity from a partner other than the government. It is a big sigh of relief for us, teachers first and then for the students. This comes to Strengthen Sessions of Educational support Cell (SESC) which are largely funded by World Vision. Today we feel relieved in preparing our classes because the manuals have a lot of illustration. These materials have helped to improve children's learning have made them very observant.

Today, many of our students have found the love for reading and writing. They learn more about the history and geography of Niger, which is a very important thing.

These efforts have helped to improve our test scores in recent years, because the success rate have increased from 45.94 percent in 2014 to 52.77 percent in 2015.



Idi Malam Sani with his students

Cross-cutting themes

Child Protection and Advocacy:

The Department of child protection, advocacy and public relations, provides technical support to programs and projects to improve the well-being of children in Niger.

These two cross-cutting themes are linked with World Vision's child focus approach (traditionally vulnerable), therefore placing all community development actions and activities in a holistic approach.

Child Protection and Advocacy (part of the World Vision theory of change) has marked the year through the following:

- Capacity building of 11 Child Protection Committees (with official decree of recognition) in 12 towns of our intervention areas.
- Four sponsored girls were spared from early / forced marriage in Gourma, at Makalondi district.
- The support for the provision of more than 11 772 children's birth certificates in World Vision areas of intervention.

The launch of the advocacy model called " Citizen Voice and Action" (CVA) This model is based on the creation of active citizenship and engagement with the government to work effectively and provide quality services.

- As part of the reduction of maternal and child mortality World Vision launched the campaign "Child Health Now" which made the following impact :
 - The mobilisation of more than 500 people (religious leaders, child parliamentarians) as part of the Global Week of Action, and committed themselves to support child advocacy in Tillaberi;
 - The organisation of a campaign on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) that reached more than 36 000 people in collaboration with religious leaders (christians and muslims);
 - Development of a tool to analyse the national nutritional situation by triangulating several indicators and interventions to better understand the trends. This tool "Baromètre de la nutrition" was developed in partnership with the department of Nutrition of Niger's public health ministry



Faith and Development

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Photo of religious leaders during the training workshop on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

This sector works to build the capacity of religious and community leaders, (muslims and christians) to get involved in seeking the well-being of children and their communities.

During this year, the sector has contributed to the achievement of World Vision Niger strategic objectives by sensitising religious leaders to promote child well-being.

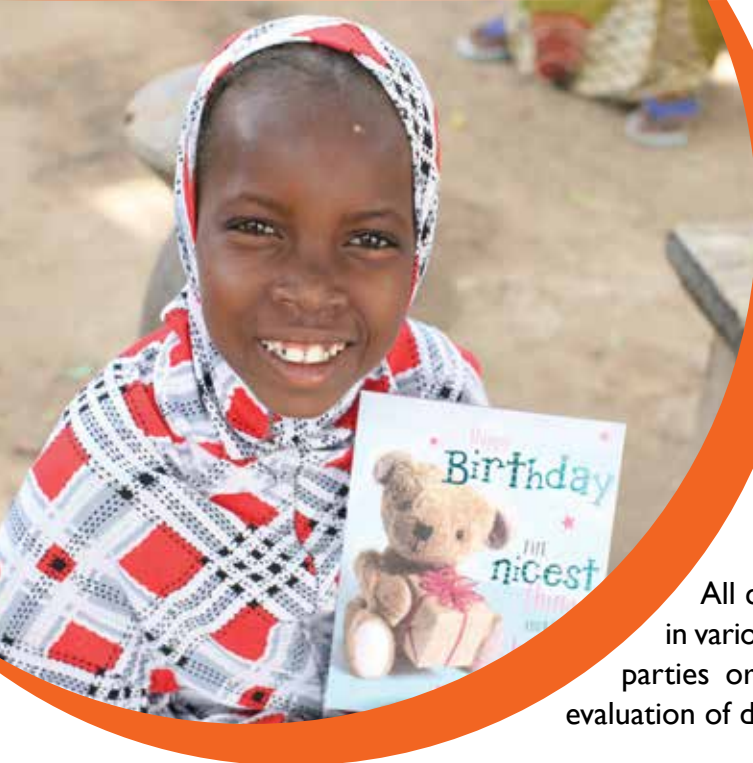
With the Ebola outbreak in West Africa, efforts have been focused on the training and education of religious leaders (imams, pastors and priests) from all regions of Niger.

Since 2003, World Vision has been using the approach called “channels of hope”. The approach consists in training religious leaders, faith-based organisations and staff, by sensitising them to reach out to their community on issues such as, the fight against HIV-AIDS, epidemics and child protection.

Achievements in 2015

- Three religious leaders (two imams and a pastor) participated on a training of trainers workshop in Dakar, on the “channels of hope” approach, for the fight against Ebola.
- 96 religious leaders were trained on Ebola prevention. These religious leaders have in turn sensitised 100 women leaders of savings groups, 120 school teachers, 210 religious leaders and 90 youth clubs in World Vision Niger areas of intervention;
- 2 religious leaders, (muslim and christian) participated in a training of trainers on the “hope channels” approach for children protection in Dakar.
- The support of churches and mosques in the “prayer for everyone” campaign to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) reached 40 000 people.
- World Vision supported the organisation of five holiday camps where 700 young people were sensitised on the topics, related to reproductive health, malaria and hand washing.





Sponsorship

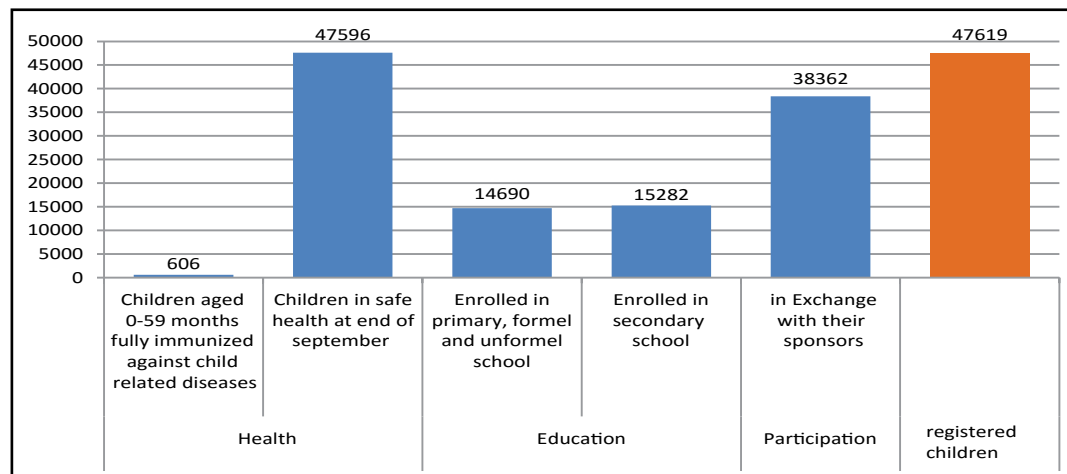
Sponsorship

At the end of 2015, World Vision Niger had 47 619 registered children in the sponsorship program, out of which about 51 percent were boys and 49 percent were girls. Child sponsorship connects children and sponsors from developed countries, as well as their families and communities. The goal of child sponsorship is to ensure sustainable child well-being. Moreover, the sponsorship program also aims to promote enriching life experiences for sponsors.

All children in the sponsorship program actively participate directly or indirectly in various activities (exchanges of correspondence between children and their sponsor, parties organised for them, their involvement in the planning, implementation and evaluation of development programs taking place in their community).

This participation is through children's clubs, school governments, and youth clubs. Through sponsorship, children's well-being monitoring, especially in the field of health (medical care to sick and malnourished children), is effective and provides immediate support. The involvement of communities in monitoring the well-being of their children is encouraged through a welfare committee set up in several programs.

Sponsorship's value in 2015



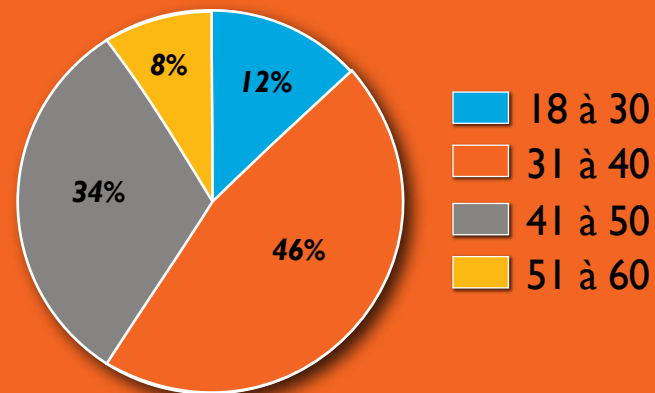
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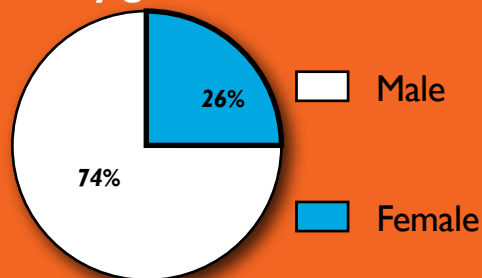
In 2015, World Vision Niger had employed 291 staff full time, including 75 women and it paid the amount of 772,219,252 FCFA in the form of income taxes and social security fund.



Staff by age group



Staff by gender in 2015

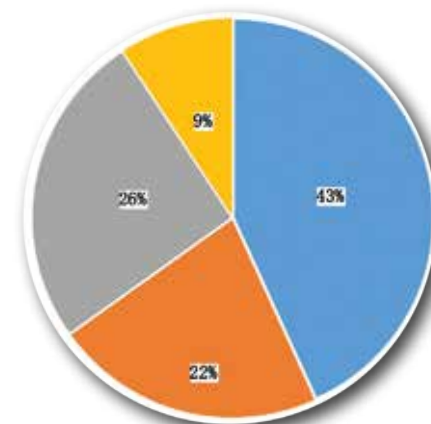


Taxes and social contributions paid in 2015 (CFA Francs)

(TSW) Tax on Salaries and Wages	322 403 532
NSSF (National Social Security Fund including ANPE)	347 474 766
Industrial and Commercial Profit	81 613 730
Property tax	15 711 524
Contracts registration fees	5 015 700
Total	772 219 252

Type of funding	Annual Budget in US \$	%
Sponsorship	9,712,216	43 %
Private	4,931,513	22 %
Government Grants	5,759,315	26 %
Multilateral subvention	2,084,324	9 %
Total	22,487,368	100%

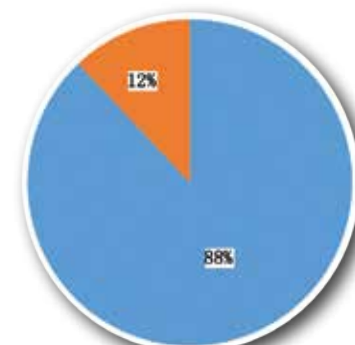
Type of funding



■ Sponsorship ■ Private ■ Government grants ■ Multilateral subvention

Type of Resources	Annual Budget in US \$	%
Cash	19,781,018	88%
Gift in Kind	2,706,350	12%
Total	22,487,368	100%

Type of resource



■ Cash ■ Gift in Kind

Distribution of funding by Support Office in USD (Australia)

Funding Office	Enfants Parrainés	Gift in Kind	Cash	Annual Total Budget in \$
Australia		10,297	23,779	34,076
Canada	10,050	243,173	4,788,251	5,031,424
Germany		1,079	19,180	20,259
Hong Kong		319,810	76,281	396,091
Korea	4,500	301,463	1,324,776	1,626,239
New Zealand	4,250	285,135	1,006,118	1,291,253
Niger			704,194	704,194
Switzerland	2,700	270,350	1,159,117	1,429,467
Taiwan	6,000	263,305	1,173,491	1,436,796
United Kingdom	9,250	34,246	1,855,592	1,889,838
United States	11,132	977,492	7,628,875	8,606,367
West Africa Regional Office			21,364	21,364
Total	47,882	2,706,350	19,781,018	22,487,368

Accountability and Transparency ↘

World Vision Niger's Internal Audit Department (WVN's IAD):

World Vision Niger has an internal audit function (IAD) since 2001. In Niger the function is under the joint supervision of the National Director and the Regional Audit Director, to help meet the requirement of independence and objectivity. World Vision Niger's internal auditors perform audits according to an annual plan, resulting from a risk analysis of selecting projects to be audited according to the level of risk. This risk based audit approach helps the organisation's leadership to identify and manage key risks, to allow the achievement of its strategic objectives. In addition, external audits are conducted by audit firms at the request of a donor.

In 2015, 14 units (program, projects ,departement) were audited, including three support functions, four grants special project and six integrated programs. In 2013, World Vision Niger IAD has passed the examination of the Quality Assurance Review (QAR) led by the International Global Audit Department. Historically, this is the second country in West Africa to be certified QAR. QAR is a strategic assessment of internal audit function, including its infrastructure, staff experience and performance, in aligning with best practices and standards applicable in audit industry.

The accountability and transparency framework

World Vision Niger, is committed to implement a corporate culture, that reflects the code of conduct and provides a work environment which promotes the following standards: a code of conduct for staff, the hierarchical supervision system and performance review, company policies, processes and controls, reporting procedures and compliance. In addition, a reporting procedure through policies (hotline, whistle-blower, anti-corruption policy or zero fraud tolerance) which were established to enable confidential reporting of allegations and fraud. These reporting procedures are applied when the other detection methods fail or prove inadequate, to ensure that the violation will be detected and corrective actions will be taken.



In memory of Darius Midah, Team Leader of Maradi II

Died August 13, 2015 in Maradi.

Darius, “le roi”, “chef Kaponda”, “tonton”, like we used to call you. Today we mourn your sudden death. In your lifetime, you were a colleague, an elder brother, an uncle and especially an advisor to many of us, a person very involved in your work and a man full of humility. We accept God's will, in calling you, with hope to see you again one day with our Father in Heaven. Great is the pain of all your colleagues, but the consolation is that you rest in peace in heaven.

World Vision Niger staff pays tribute to your commitment and your firm determination to accomplish the child well-being objectives in Niger.

Prospect: ↘

World Vision Niger strategy for the period 2016-2021

2 100 000 children, specially the most vulnerable report increased wellbeing by 2021		
All children live in households which are food secure and resilient to shocks	All children under 5 enjoy improved health	All children are educated for life
<p>All children live in households which have agro-sylvo-pastoral production improved</p> <p>All children live in communities which have adopted climate appropriate and environmental friendly practices</p> <p>All children live in households which have improved incomes</p>	<p>No child dies due to malaria , pneumonia and diarrhea</p> <p>All children have proper nutrition</p> <p>All children live in communities with Access to potable water</p> <p>All children have increased awareness on good hygiene practices</p> <p>All children are living in open defecation free certified communities</p>	<p>All children (girls and boys) can read with comprehension at the age of 11</p> <p>All children (girls and boys) are equipped with age appropriate life skills</p> <p>All children (girls and boys) are ready for productive life opportunities</p>



**Inauguration of the 1000th borehole at Séno
by the Regional Director of World Vision in West Africa and
Niger Minister of Hydraulics as part of World Vision Niger 20th anniversary celebration.**



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