



Manonga, Tanzania, Water And Sanitation Year Four of the Project

Water Scarcity Hurts Children and Families

Access to clean water is one of the most pressing needs in the rural Tanzanian communities of Manonga. More than 95% of families in the region have no choice but to use unsafe wells or draw their drinking water from polluted ponds. As a result, children suffer from various waterborne diseases including diarrhea — a leading cause of death among children younger than 5. Older children who are chronically ill suffer because they cannot play or attend school on a regular basis.

The situation grows worse during the seven-month dry season when creeks, rivers, and ponds dry up. In those months, nearly half of all women and children in Manonga must walk for more than an hour to collect dirty water — time that would be better spent at school or play. Because of the long distances, families are forced to conserve water and this means that sanitation practices and personal hygiene often suffer. Poor sanitation in turn leads to further illness and infection, impacting the health of children, families, and entire communities.

World Vision is working in seven communities in Tanzania to address urgent water and sanitation needs. The Manonga Water and Sanitation project will improve the health of 6,000 people, including almost 3,000 children, by drilling new borehole wells in each village.



Above: Manonga women fetching water from unprotected source

Testimony to Impact of Project So Far

A message from Water Committee Chairperson, Mrs. Rahel Machiya.

“Nota, nota, nota.” To us, this means ‘Thirsty’, and it was the song heard from Mwasungh’o dwellers as they wept in need of water. The rains are not reliable so to have a permanent source of water for us became a problem. We used to wake up early in the morning around four am and come back home around 2 pm. Fetching water in a distant place takes much of our time and sometimes we can not attend some other house hold chores and to our children due to the limited time we have as most of our

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time we use in fetching water. Even people suffered with bad smells (body odour) due to people have no water for cleaning ourselves and we had no toilets as well as water.

It took us time, but with the help of World Vision we came up with the critical solutions to our problem World Vision supported us greatly. They provided surveys that helped us in identifying water sources. Also, they supported us with a drilling company. During drilling, once water was pressurized and pumping into buckets with the hand pump, we sang a new song, "Nota yashilaga!" meaning 'the end of thirst!'

Helping Communities Access Clean Water

World Vision is responding to water and sanitation needs in Manonga by providing access to clean water for 1,000 households and helping the community practice safe hygiene and sanitation. The Manonga Water and Sanitation project will help reduce waterborne disease in children and release women and girls from the time-consuming task of water collection.

Your support of the Manonga Water and Sanitation project will also build the capacity of each community to take responsibility for their new water systems, continue promoting good hygiene practices and manage the health of the environment.

With your support, we will:

- Drill 10 borehole wells to bring clean water close to 6,000 people
- Provide improved sanitation facilities and teach good hygiene and sanitation practices to the heads of 94 vulnerable households and schoolchildren in seven primary schools
- Help people in these communities form water committees to oversee the water system
- Support water committees to plant fruit trees and vegetables around water sources to protect the environment, which will also create a stream of sales income and cover the cost of maintaining the well and hand pump

How You Can Help

Clean water makes a world of difference to children and their families. It improves their health, boosts family incomes, and brings vitality to the wider community. The gift of water supports a community's desire to raise healthy, well-educated children and strengthens the economic health of families. With your help, World Vision can help communities in Taghadoum realize their dreams of better health for children and families and bring vitality and a new hope for the future. And your gift is a tangible expression of God's love for them.

In 2012, our goal is to raise \$239,500 for this vital project. Please contact your Development Advisor to get more information or to support the project today.

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World Vision Canada anticipates raising over \$401 million per year in total revenue for its community development, emergency relief and advocacy work, of which 14.3% will be used for necessary fund-raising.

In cases where donations exceed what is needed or where local conditions prevent program implementation, World Vision Canada will redirect funds to similar activities to help needy people.

World Vision Canada is incorporated in Mississauga, Ontario.

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