saving lives in the wake of disaster

World Vision stands ready to protect children and families by delivering crucial assistance within 24 to 72 hours of a crisis. Our tens of thousands of staff spread across nearly 100 countries are committed to helping communities rebuild. In 2009, World Vision:

• Addressed 155 humanitarian emergencies around the world, including deadly typhoons in the Philippines, ongoing violence in Pakistan, and the massive earthquake in Indonesia.
• Assisted 81.6 million disaster survivors, refugees, and internally displaced people worldwide.
• Used $108 million in private donations and U.S. government grants for disaster relief and rebuilding work.
• Maintained $37.4 million in relief goods, available for immediate shipping.

creating hope for today—and tomorrow

Millions of children are trapped in a never-ending story of poverty. But what’s the best way to stop this cycle? World Vision’s six decades of work around the world have shown that the lives of children and families are most significantly improved when long-term investments are made throughout their communities. In 2009, World Vision:

• Helped change the lives of 3.8 million children registered in child sponsorship programs worldwide, including 314,000 who were supported by $414 million in caring sponsors in the U.S.
• Overseen the distribution of more than $224 million in food goods and 200 million metric tons of emergency food supplies—providing nourishment to children and families in need.
• Gave people access to clean water, including 82,000 more children and adults across West Africa through World Vision’s ongoing efforts in partnership with the West Africa Water Initiative.
• Distributed $181 million in small business loans to more than 425,000 poor but hardworking entrepreneurs—helping create or sustain 1,079,000 jobs.
• Taught HIV and AIDS prevention and education; stressing abstinence to more than 151,000 young people living in AIDS-affected areas.
• Equipped 34,000 people, including 8,000 faith leaders from 772 churches across Africa, to provide additional HIV prevention and AIDS care in their communities.
• Assisted 3.3 million children and adults in the United States with access to basic necessities like warm clothing, building materials, and school supplies.

working with diverse partners

World Vision offers its partners—individuals, churches, corporations, governments, and local and international organizations—powerful ways to impact the lives of children in need. We are able to effectively leverage gifts because of these multiple funding sources, helping to ensure efficiency and keep overhead low. In 2009, World Vision:

• Partnered with 773,000 individual donors in the U.S. to help care for the poor.
• Collaborated with 11,000 U.S. churches to bridge the gap between their communities and the world’s most impoverished areas.
• Deployed $134 million in grants of flood and cash from the U.S. government and other agencies.
• Accepted in-kind gifts of brand-new, top-quality products worth $413 million from generous corporations and manufacturers.

And whoever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me.” – Matthew 18:5 (NIV)
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“Learn to do right! Seek justice, encourage the oppressed. Defend the cause of the fatherless, plead the case of the widow.” —Micah 6:8

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and make a difference

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individuals

• Sponsor a child: Help one child reach her or his God
given potential, while helping an entire community
break free from poverty.
• Change lives through the GI Gift Catalog: Choose
from more than 100 gifts that have a lasting impact
for children in need, while honoring a loved one.
• Speak up for children: Ask our government leaders
to put the world’s vulnerable children first.
• Read the U.S.: Help children and youth in America’s
most distressed areas reach their full potential.
• Take a Whole Child Approach: Multiply your
donations through your company’s matching gift program
or enjoy the convenience of giving at work.
• Help one child reach his or her God-given
potentials and responsiblities: Become a corporate
corporate partner through our In-Kind Gift
and receive enhanced tax deductions for donating warehouse overstock.

students and youth leaders

• Do in action: Review: Open your student
eyes, feed hungry children and change our world
forever—by giving without food for 30 hours.
• Join ACT: Be part of a network of college students
committed to exploring what the Christian faith
says about justice, using creative actions to change
hearts on campuses, and advocating with elected leaders
to help alleviate poverty.
• Church, companies, and groups
• Attack Our Enemies: Unite your group and res
pond with compassion to those affected by AIDS.
• Create a Compassion Kit: Help your church
start a sponsorship program and bring
hope to the children and families
in poverty in the U.S. and around the world.
• Send a message of corporate social
responsibility: Become a corporate
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our prayer for every heart, the will to make it so.