

In 2007, World Vision served over **100 million people** in **98 countries**, including emergency responses in **65 countries**. Nearly **3.5 million children** benefited from child sponsorship programmes. World Vision employed **31,000 staff** and raised over **US\$ 2.1 billion** in cash and goods for its work.



## From the Director

This year marked the end of an era for World Vision Bosnia and Herzegovina as we completed our last return and housing reconstruction project. The end of post-war relief—but we are working hard on helping the people of this country to reconstruct not just their homes but also their lives: a means of earning a decent living, quality education for children, a renewed sense of community, and opportunities to explore their faith, whatever their religious tradition, and find significance and meaning for their lives.

Much of our work is about relationships. Our relationship with the communities in which we work is crucial; we are partners in development, not service-deliverers. We work to foster the connections that release people's energy and talents—between local producers and buyers, parents and teachers, and different citizens' groups.

We support the work of the Inter-Religious Council in building relationships of respect and tolerance between the four major faiths of Bosnia and Herzegovina. And we are nurturing relationships between children here and the growing number of supporters in countries as far away as Taiwan and Korea, who share our vision for a better future for the children of this country.

We hope you will join us too in our shared efforts for the children.

Sue Birchmore  
National Director  
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Health

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*World Vision is a Christian relief, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice.*



If you would like to support our work, you can donate through the following bank account. Your donation can make the difference for children in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Thank you!

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## World Vision Bosnia and Herzegovina 2007 Review

Hope for the most vulnerable

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Children  
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Transformation

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

Families  
Equality  
Hope  
Sustainability

# Transformation



## What We Do

### Relief, Development, and Advocacy

In Bosnia and Herzegovina, World Vision's relief work is diminishing, yet the need for development remains crucial in this struggling economy. Working closely with communities, advocacy efforts serve to strengthen them and help them find a voice in society.

**Relief:** In April 2007, World Vision completed the reconstruction of homes for 60 refugee families who had been displaced since the war of 1992-95, enabling them to be repatriated.

**Development:** In the past year, World Vision started two long-term community development projects with a special emphasis on children, doubling the number of these programmes running. While continuing to focus strongly on economic development, with micro-finance loans to poor rural families and other initiatives, World Vision is also assisting schools in isolated areas.

**Advocacy:** World Vision is supporting community-based groups to strengthen civil society and work for peace and tolerance across Bosnia and Herzegovina's bitterly contested entity lines. Roma communities are also supported to advocate for their human rights.



## This Year's Highlights



Through World Vision's Market Linkages Project, small rural farmers and producers were given training, networking opportunities and other support, which led to a bumper crop of medals and trophies in national Agricultural Fairs, as well as improved livelihoods.

Working with 20 local Roma Associations in collaboration with the government, World Vision contributed to the design of National Action Plans on housing, employment and health, thus furthering human rights for this vulnerable minority. It also supported the establishment of a fully-equipped National Roma Information Centre, run by the Roma Council—one of the first in the region.

Over 1,500 children were assisted with clothing, shoes, basic literacy support and extra classes to enable them to attend school. World Vision also repaired six schools in neglected rural areas, improving heating, sanitation, flooring and other facilities. Nineteen schools in all received educational supplies, and internet cafes were established in several of them.

Creative activities are being used to help children still suffering emotionally from the aftermath of war. World Vision has also worked with mobile teams to provide local health services in schools and communities including dental care, health education, HIV/AIDS prevention and anti-trafficking messages.



World Vision's peace education programmes help people of different religious groups to work together as friends. A year-long project with teachers and schoolchildren culminated in a very successful Winter Peace Camp in November 2007.

## Financial Profile

World Vision Bosnia and Herzegovina is funded by voluntary donations and grants, most from its international network of support offices. In the coming year, World Vision hopes to increase the amount of local support raised.

World Vision Support Offices in Financial Year 2007 have been World Vision Australia, Austria, Canada, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Korea, Japan, Malaysia, Switzerland, Taiwan, UK and US. Their help has been invaluable.

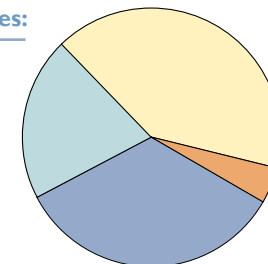
World Vision is grateful for its donors in 2007, which include CIDA, the City of Vienna, the European Commission, the Royal Netherlands Embassy, Sida, and the US Department of State.

World Vision also wants to thank its corporate donors, VOLKSBANK BH and the micro-credit agency EKI, as well as many generous private individuals.

The overall expenditure for World Vision Bosnia and Herzegovina in Financial Year 2007 was over 4.5 million US dollars.

### Funding came from these sources:

- Gifts In Kind
- Grant
- Voluntary funding
- Other



### Where funds were spent:

- Zonal Office Zenica
- Zonal Office Banja Luka;
- Zonal Office Tuzla
- Zonal Office Sarajevo
- Nationwide projects
- Admin/Management support
- Other

