



CHANGE BEGINS WITH SAFE WATER

I want to thank everyone who supported Village Water in 2018. In Zambia and Mozambique, improved access to safe water, decent sanitation and good hygiene are life changing. And it is because of you that we were able to reach 83,238 with our projects - more than ever before.

Data collected from those we work with proves our impact on health, which for many people is just the start. It means they can better provide for their families, start a business or go to school.

This review is our chance to share their stories, and show you the true impact of your support.

We are determined to reach 100% coverage in the districts of Zambia and Mozambique we work in, so that everyone enjoys the fundamental human right to safe water and sanitation.

I hope you will join us: together we can ensure that safe water flows everywhere.

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Andrew Picken, OBE. Chair of Trustees, Village Water.

2018 FINANCIALS

We raised....

We spent....







This information is a summary of activities taken from our fully audited accounts, available from Village Water or the Charity Commission website.

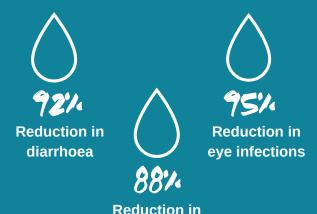


HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES

Our One Village at a Time model is simple, but it works! Through education we help communities to improve their hygiene and support them to build their own sanitation facilities. Then a safe water point is installed or repaired by drilling teams we have trained.

In 2018, 45 villages in Zambia and Mozambique took part in the project. We helped improve health, productivity and school attendance for everyone who lives there.

IMPACT DATA SHOWS



girls' school absenteeism

LIVES CHANGED

"Diseases have reduced, we are living a healthy life."
Mrs Limpo Nayambe

We worked with Limpo's village in Kaoma, Zambia in 2008. During our last visit in 2018 the pump was working well and there had been no recent cases of diarrhoea or eye infection.

To really make a difference to people's lives, the changes need to last long after we've left.

We focus on education and training so communities have the skills to maintain their own facilities. A decade later, Limpo's life is transformed:

"This has helped us to improve our living standards. We have the time to farm so we have more food. Our children go to school regularly.

Yes, our lives have really improved since the pump was installed."

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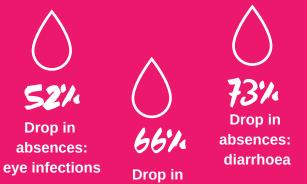
HELPING CHILDREN LEARN

Every child deserves a decent education and that starts with a healthy learning environment.

We worked with 17 schools in 2018 reaching 13,894 pupils. As well as safe water and proper sanitation they recieved hygiene lessons that will help them adopt healthy habits for life.

In 8 of the larger schools we installed solar or electric water systems, with taps around the school and in the villages nearby. Each system is linked to toilet blocks so the children finally have flushing toilets, sinks and showers.

IMPROVING ATTENDANCE



absences: overall

...ESPECIALLY GIRLS

"I was told menstruation is a secret thing, that it is unclean and not to talk about it. I was warned not to mix with boys at school during my period" Agnes, age 15, Zambia

1 in 10 girls in Africa misses school whilst on her period. Like Agnes, myths, stigma and a lack of washrooms mean they stay at home, or drop out.

Our menstrual health lessons for boys and girls have a huge impact on attitudes and attendance.

In 2018 we introduced sanitary pad workshops. Girls in 8 schools learnt how to make their own eco friendly, reusable pads.

Agnes' school now stocks the pads in the tuck shop. She told us:

"Even the boys know now that menstruation is just a natural process. I learnt how to make my own pads and it feels nice sharing that knowledge with others." DROP IN
ABSENCES DUE TO
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WE LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND

We are concentrating on 100% coverage in our focus areas and we know that different options are needed. To reach households in cut off areas with safe water, local well construction teams market affordable options to improve existing water sources. From basic upgrades like investing in a lid for an open well, to drilling a borehole for a pump.

Trained manual drillers service the demand for safe water and create income generating opportunities, giving people the chance to improve their lives.

In 2018, we trained 4 teams of men and women to start their own well construction business in Zambia. Team leader, Liswaniso Muleta used to be a farmer but after undergoing training he now earns **five times** as much.

DEVELOPING SKILLS

"Village Water provided training on how to drill wells, helped us establish our enterprise and learn the skills we need for a successful business." Alan Njamba, Director, Nada Enterprises

Alan used to dig wells for us way back in 2004 and was one of the first to take part in manual drilling training.

Now he employs 8 people who install around 50 wells a year and his life has changed.

"With this opportunity you changed my life. My family only used to eat one meal a day, now we always have three. My children are in school and my wife is in college. I am so proud to be able to help her achieve this."

SAFE WATER AND SANITATION FOR ALL APPEAL

You helped us raised an incredible £292,872 for the appeal which will be matched by the UK government. Thank you to everyone who supported and donated. You are life changers! UK government funding will support a two year project working with local people in Lusaka, Zambia, to develop water, sanitation and waste removal businesses. Find out more: villagewater.org/safewatersanitationappeal2019



WHAT'S NEXT?

In 2019-20, we will work with 133 communities in rural Zambia and Mozambique. Our two year UK government project starts and will reach 47,000 people in Lusaka.

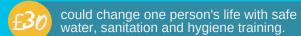
YOU CAN HELP

O Join our monthly givers 'The Pump Primers' to help us and our partners plan effectively. Even small gifts grow into something huge.



a month over a year could provide girls with training to make reusable sanitary towels

Make a donation at villagewater.org/donate, send a cheque or speak to the team on the phone.



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