



# Annual Report



2024





Dear Friends of World Hope International,

I would normally marvel at what a difference a year makes in the life of a global non-profit such as ours. But since this report is a look back at 2024, and I did not begin this journey as your President and CEO until Feb. 1, 2025, I find myself amazed at how quickly things change, and the new places God takes us each and every month!

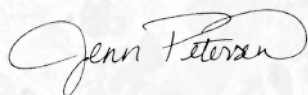
One of my first priorities after joining this amazing team dedicated to caring for people's physical, emotional and spiritual needs was to make it clear who we are, and where we are going. World Hope is, and will always be, a Christian organization focused on bringing dignity and hope. We do this by providing clean water & sanitation, critical health care, and protection and education to the most vulnerable. Our team is committed to doing everything in our power to ensure we can continue that mission started nearly 30 years ago by our amazing founder, Dr. Jo Anne Lyon.

That's one of the reasons we created the Hope Alliance this year so that we can re-engage with church partners to share the Gospel by serving the most vulnerable people and communities in Cambodia, Haiti, Liberia, Sierra Leone and the Philippines.

There is no denying it has been a challenging year due in no small part to the current political environment that brought immense funding pressures to us and our partners in the countries we serve. But it also has been a year of immense joy. The joy we felt in knowing we were capable of picking up the work that was abandoned by other international organizations in West Africa to bring safe, clean water and finishing it is indescribable. Or to see hope in the faces of women and children who were without life-giving medicines until we delivered them to some of the most remote regions is a sight ingrained on our hearts.

It is only because of our generous, kind-hearted donors that we have been able to stand in those gaps. And we will be relying on you, once again this year, to stand with us. And while so much is yet to be done and so many tough choices must be made to prioritize our limited resources, we know the God we serve. We know Jehovah Jirah IS the God who provides. We trust He will meet our needs again this year as we prepare to begin our thirtieth year of bringing hope in tangible ways to so many.

In His Service,



**Jenn Petersen**  
**President & Chief Executive Officer**  
**World Hope International**





# CLEAN WATER



**A COMMITMENT TO DRILLING CLEAN WATER WELLS, LAUNCHING MARKET-DRIVEN WATER SOLUTIONS, AND PROVIDING NECESSARY SANITATION FACILITIES**

## 65,300

**PEOPLE EMPOWERED**

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A groundbreaking climate risk assessment in Sierra Leone empowered 65,300 people in 30 communities to adapt through better infrastructure and collaboration.

## 2,506

**FAMILIES IMPACTED**

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At AK Brown School in Liberia, a solar-powered water system now serves 2,506 students and families, ensuring reliable access.

## 1,025

**RECEIVE IMPROVED HYGIENE**

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New sanitation facilities in Mondulkiri, Cambodia, improved hygiene for 1,025 students and staff, fostering a healthier environment.

# SCHOOL CHILDREN GAIN ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER

For many years, students at AK Brown School and families in the surrounding community relied on plastic sachets of water or untreated sources for drinking. Clean, safe water was not easy to access, and concerns about water quality were common. The heavy use of plastic sachets also created a growing waste problem that affected the school grounds and the wider neighborhood.

To address these challenges, World Hope International partnered with the community to renovate the school's nonfunctioning hand pump and upgrade it into a Stand-Alone Solar Pipe Water System. The new system includes enhanced filtration and purification processes that ensure the water meets safe drinking standards. Storage tanks and pipelines were installed to distribute the water efficiently, and a solar-powered pump now lifts clean water to an elevated tower, allowing it to flow by gravity to multiple access points.

## **Immediate Benefits for the School and Community**

As soon as the system became operational, the impact was clear. Families no longer needed to rely on plastic sachets for drinking water, reducing both environmental waste and household expenses.

Students gained easy access to clean, reliable water throughout the school day, lowering their risk of waterborne illnesses and helping them stay focused in class. The surrounding neighborhoods experienced similar improvements, with fewer health concerns related to unsafe or untreated water.

The availability of a steady, affordable water source has strengthened both health and well-being across the community. Parents no longer worry about where to find safe water, and children can learn and play with greater peace of mind.

## **A Lasting Impact**

The upgraded water system at AK Brown has brought lasting change. It has improved health, reduced reliance on harmful plastic waste, and restored community confidence in a dependable water source. This project is a reminder that access to clean water does more than quench thirst. It creates opportunity, strengthens resilience, and builds a healthier future for schools and communities alike.





# GLOBAL HEALTH



**A COMMITMENT TO HIGH-IMPACT INTERVENTIONS THAT IMPROVE THE HEALTH, WELL-BEING, AND SURVIVAL OF WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES.**

## 13,209

**WOMEN SCREENED**

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13,209 women screened in Sierra Leone for cervical cancer, improving their chances of survival.

## 1,724

**CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES**

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14,519 people in Sierra Leone received physiotherapy, counseling, and other Enable the Children services, including 1,724 children with disabilities.

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**MAINLAND HOSPITALS**

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A Tesla battery pack, solar array, and backup generator were installed at La Gonâve Wesleyan Hospital in Haiti to power a new oxygen plant, serving patients locally and clinics across the island, with potential support for four mainland hospitals.



## TWO JOURNEYS, ONE COMMUNITY OF HOPE

Every child deserves the chance to grow, learn, and belong. For children living with disabilities in Sierra Leone and Liberia, World Hope International's Enable the Children (ETC) program is opening doors to that possibility, one family, one story, and one courageous step forward at a time.

Janet Cooper's journey reflects this hope. Before turning 10, she had already overcome more challenges than many face in a lifetime. A childhood illness resulted in the loss of her limbs, and when her father, her family's provider, passed away, continuing her education felt out of reach. As the youngest of seven children in a family struggling to meet daily needs, Janet carried dreams that seemed impossible to realize. Through the support of partners and later ETC, her path changed. She returned to school and quickly blossomed. Teachers praised her determination, and classmates were inspired by her resilience. Today, Janet is a thriving sixth grader and the only child in her family to receive an education. Her journey shows the extraordinary difference that sustained care, encouragement, and opportunity can make for a child living with a disability.

Ramatu's story echoes that same impact. Now sixteen, she has been part of ETC since she was four months old. Her father, Mr. Kamara, explains how isolating it once felt to raise a child with complex needs and how ETC surrounded them with guidance, friendship, and a community that understands. "I know I can reach out on any day and receive advice I can trust," he shared. "You have truly made me feel less alone."

That spirit of belonging comes alive at ETC's annual Beach Day, where more than 550 children and their caregivers gather for a celebration of inclusion. Children showcase new abilities gained through therapy, families connect with one another, and leaders across Sierra Leone publicly affirm their commitment to disability inclusion. It is a joyful day that reminds every parent and child that they are seen, valued, and supported.

Through ETC, hope becomes tangible. Families find strength, children discover possibility, and communities witness the beauty of inclusion. Together, we are building a world where every child is given the chance to thrive.



# PROTECTION



**A COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS THROUGH PROJECTS THAT EXPAND EDUCATION, PREVENT TRAFFICKING AND VIOLENCE, AND ADDRESS ROOT CAUSES.**

**97%**

**SPONSORED CHILDREN**

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97% of children sponsored for education in Sierra Leone passed the national exams

**103**

**CARED FOR IN WEST AFRICA**

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71 survivors in Sierra Leone received holistic protection through the Recovery Centre, and 32 survivors of human trafficking and gender-based violence in Liberia received holistic aftercare services.

**140**

**FILIPINOS SUPPORTED**

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140 survivors of online sexual exploitation and abuse in the Philippines receive holistic aftercare services.



# HEALING BEGINS WITH SUPPORT

In February 2024, a young girl and her family sought help from WHI after she was used in child sexual abuse and exploitation material (CSAEM). The experience left her deeply hurt, and the bullying she faced at school made coping even more difficult. She eventually stopped attending school, unsure of how to move forward.

Her mother, determined to support her, approached the school to find a solution. They requested a homeschool setup so the girl could finish the school year despite her challenges. The school showed understanding and granted the request, which gave the family hope for her education. At the same time, the young girl began weekly counseling sessions with a WHI social worker. Over eight sessions, she slowly began to recover and rebuild her confidence. With the support of her mother and counselor, she found the strength to return to school.

When she felt ready, the family decided she would transfer to a new school for a fresh start. She found a supportive teacher and new friends who helped her feel welcome. She gradually adjusted and began to thrive in her new environment.

While the young girl worked on healing, WHI extended support to her family, who were facing financial

difficulties. Her father worked in a government office, but his salary was not enough to cover their eldest child's college tuition and the family's other expenses. They had also lost their piggery business during the pandemic, leaving them with no additional source of income.

In May 2024, WHI helped the family restart their livelihood by providing three piglets. The mother took charge of the business, caring for the piglets and ensuring they grew healthy. After the first cycle, they sold the piglets and reinvested in one more. By the second cycle, they sold four piglets and used the income to expand further, buying two additional piglets for the third cycle. This steady growth gave the family a much-needed source of income. The earnings helped cover daily school allowances and contributed to tuition fees. It brought a sense of stability that had been missing for so long.

Today, the young girl is back in school, surrounded by supportive friends and teachers. Her family's piggery business continues to grow, and they are slowly rebuilding their lives. With WHI's support and efforts, they have found a path forward filled with hope and new beginnings.





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2024 CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL SUMMARY

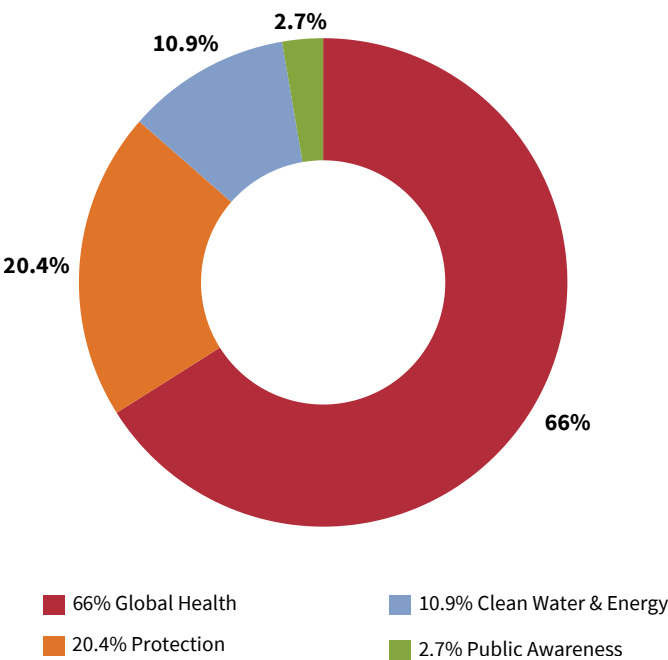
For the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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REVENUE AND SUPPORT

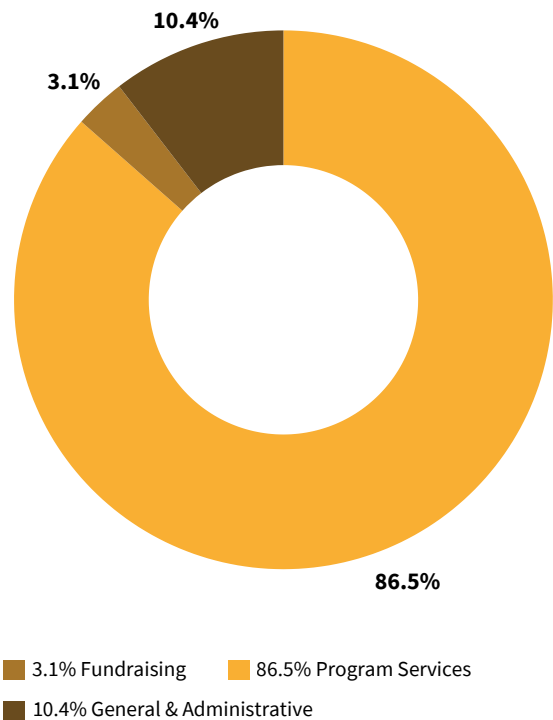
TOTAL (USD)	
Contributions	\$7,150,301
In-kind contributions	\$9,778,781
International grants	\$2,309,504
Federal grants	\$730,715
Program income	\$676,126
Other income	\$581,460
Investment income	\$136,003
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TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT	\$21,362,890

PROGRAM EXPENSES



EXPENSES

PROGRAM SERVICES	
Global Health	\$12,347,773
Protection	\$3,816,661
Clean Water	\$2,029,671
Public Awareness	\$504,727
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SUPPORTING SERVICES	
General administrative	\$2,258,078
Fundraising	\$662,302
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TOTAL EXPENSES	\$21,619,212
Change in net assets	(\$256,322)
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Total year-end net assets	\$1,833,931







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