77% of households now have handwashing devices
83% of households now have latrines
94% of water committees are active

2016 in numbers
72 communities
2,339 families
15,229 people

Zambia
525,268 raised
10 communities
649 families
3,246 people

Moambique

Healthier families
82% reduction in cases of diarrhoea
82% reduction in cases of eye infection
Girls’ absenteeism from school decreased by 81%

83% reduction in cases of eye infection
Good hygiene saves lives

We know that water alone is not enough to improve health. Our integrated approach ensures everyone has the facilities and the knowledge to lead healthier lives. Simple things like handwashing and using a latrine have a huge impact on people’s health.

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Well construction

19.72m was the average well depth

We are strong advocates of manual drilling as a technology. Over the years we have nurtured local enterprises to form manual drilling teams. Manual drilling is a low cost, high quality method of drilling boreholes. The portability of the tools used in this method also helps us reach communities where drilling is not possible with heavy mechanical rigs.

2016 efficiency rates are excellent. On average it takes 2 strokes to produce water and 52 to fill a 20 litre container.
Menstrual health

We reached 4,567 people with menstrual health promotion. After the lessons:

- Teachers saw a positive change in attitude in 100% of pupils.
- 55% of the girls reported a change in their practices.
- 93% of pupils felt free and confident to speak about menstruation.
- 86% of all pupils felt boys now understood menstruation and were more supportive.

Girls’ absenteeism due to menstruation 74%

72 communities in 2016

“Our life is changed because of Village Water. We thank everyone who participated in the improvement of our life. We are now drinking clean safe water.” Nela Mwasheka, Mongu District
Manual drilling pilot in North Western Province. All 6 wells were drilled successfully!

72 waterpoints; 15,229 people in 2,339 families; 28 plastic drum latrines installed in 3 schools and one permanent latrine block.

Completed permanent latrine block in Kamiheto School in Kaoma, Zambia

Previous water sources are on average 860m away.

10 waterpoints, 3246 people in 649 families.

Manual drilling technology used for the first time in the area for drinking water.

Marla, Joana and Ginoveva. The team responsible for hygiene and sanitation training in Mozambique
Sustainability

65% of communities have started collecting a maintenance fund

94% of communities have formed a water committee

We received 467 village reports during 2016 from old villages

Our local partners continue to work with communities long after the initial intervention. This ensures that our projects are sustainable and the benefits are long lasting. Of 530 communities that we have visited dating back to 2004, 98% are still functioning.

Our core work aligns with 3 of the sustainable development goals:

1. NO POVERTY
2. GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
3. CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS
1 in 10 people in the world lives **without** safe water.
9 in 10 people can change this.

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