Thank you!

In 2017, you helped us transform the lives of thousands of people in Africa through improved water, decent sanitation and better hygiene (WASH).

We couldn’t have done it without you! A huge thank you to all who supported, donated or volunteered – you are change makers.

2017 Financials

We raised....

£ 506,997

We spent....

£ 495,282

The difference we made

We reached 19,539 people in Zambia with our integrated WASH programme and continued our support for 4,208 people in Mozambique. In total we helped improve health, productivity and school attendance for 23,747 people.

Impact data shows

We spent 86p of every £1 on charitable activities, 11p on raising the funds and 3p on governance.

We raised £9.43 for every £1 invested in fundraising

Cases of eye infections dropped by 90%

Cases of diarrhoea dropped by 93%

Girls’ school attendance dropped by 83%

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

"Village Water has taught us lots of things. Now we have toilets, and this prevents diseases. We’re living a healthy life. Our children don’t miss school and we’re able to work more” - Bronah Liswaniso

Bronah’s village in Kaoma is home to 167 people. In 2004, we supported hygiene and sanitation promotion and provision of a new well, fourteen years later the community is still benefiting. During our last visit in August 2017, the pump was working well and every household had a latrine. This has resulted in big improvements in health. Our new menstrual health project is encouraging positive attitudes to periods, leading to a reduction in girls missing school.

**Mozambique**

"We take water from the Mussangadze river, we suffer and lose relatives because of crocodiles. This is why I want water” - Paulo Angara

Jose Castro is 7 years old and lost part of his arm in an attack. Almost everyone we speak to talks of the dangers of their existing water source. 312 people in Chinete now enjoy safe water far from the risk of crocodiles. Across the project diarrhoea has dropped by 97% and people are healthier and happier.

"Our health has improved greatly, we no longer suffer from waterborne diseases. Sanitation has improved. Now we are not attacked by crocodiles because we have a pump near.” - Joao Josias
Liliachi school

In 2017, to celebrate our 1000th water point – we funded the first Village Water solar powered pump!

Thanks to our supporters, 889 pupils at Liliachi School have safe water to drink. Taps around the school can also be used by local villages.

“We used to draw water from the scoop hole and had high rates of diarrhoea. We’re so thankful to Village Water for the training - it will bring about development in our school in terms of hygiene and sanitation.” – Headmaster Mr Mbunmbi Kashini

The school has built more latrines and handwashing devices. These are a great, no-cost solution to prevent waterborne diseases, but they’re not ideal in such a large school. Mr Kashini told us:

“We have 12 pit latrines but they do not last long and are being constructed every term.”

In 2018 we will fund permanent facilities with flushing toilets, urinals, sinks and private shower rooms, all fed from the solar powered pump.

What’s next?

Here’s what we’re hoping to achieve in 2018, our most ambitious year yet.

We have some exciting new projects and aim to reach more than 57,000 people.

Solar schools

Solar or electric pump, permanent toilet facilities, hygiene promotion and menstrual health in 9 large schools and 1 health centre. Local communities will also have access to the water.

Self supply

Training local people in well construction and business skills so they can promote household water options to prospective clients and install 8 new public wells.

WASH

Supporting communities with hygiene education, sanitation and safe water in... 37 new communities in Zambia and Mozambique. 20 older communities with broken pumps in Zambia.
“We achieved so much in 2017. Completing our pilot project to bring safe water to 10 communities in Mozambique was a real highlight, as was funding our 1000th water-point in Zambia.

Safe water, hygiene promotion and sanitation facilities improve health, giving people the chance to study or work. Please join us to help a further 57,000 people in 2018”

Andrew Picken OBE, Chair of Trustees, Village Water

Get involved

📍 DONATE securely at www.villagewater.org/donate or ring 01743 241563.

📍 FUNDRAISE for us. Why not do something fun to raise funds for safe water?

📍 VOLUNTEER in the office, at events or give a talk to community groups about our work.

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