

This provides an update on World Vision water efforts to address the global water crisis.

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## *World Vision Water Update:* June 2017



### **Update: 2017 World Vision Global 6K Results**

We're grateful to our many Water Warriors who participated in the Team World Vision Global 6K for Water on May 6. We picked six kilometers for the event because it's the average distance that people in the developing world walk for water. On my last trip to Zambia, I met Regina Muchanga, a 62 year old woman who used to walk 6K every day to fetch water (right). She carried 40 pounds of water every day for 49 years of her life for a total of more than 100,000 kilometers! Everyone in our group visiting Regina tried to carry the 40 pounds of water and no one made it very far. Regina has had a clean water source provided by World Vision near her home for 4 years and now she has time to enjoy her grandchildren and has become a pastor in her church. The Global 6K provides a way for us to walk so people like Regina don't have to. The results are in from the 2017 Global 6K and they're impressive. About 28,000 people walked in 18 countries and at 800 sites. They provided more than \$2 million for clean water from 40,000 donations. Thank you to everyone who participated, and please mark your calendars to participate next year!



## Focus on Health Care Facilities

The lack of soap and water in health care facilities is compromising health and spreading infections in the developing world. In fact, the World Health Organization estimates that the lives of 400,000 babies each year could be saved if health care facilities had clean water, soap, and good hygiene practices. World Vision is co-leading an effort to build awareness of this need and to respond. As part of our 2020 business plan, we'll reach thousands of health care facilities with clean water on the premises, hand-washing areas, and improved sanitation. At the 2017 World Water Week in Stockholm, World Vision will co-host an event with the World Health Organization, the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and WaterAid that shares specific, simple actions that can be taken to improve water, sanitation, and hygiene safely, effectively, and sustainably in health care facilities.

For those of you attending the Stockholm meeting, here's our flyer with the details.



### Event: Providing Safe Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Health Care Facilities



**Thursday, 31 August, 1600-1730, Pillar Hall in Norra Latin**

This session will explore the current status of WASH in health care facilities (HCFs) and share specific, simple actions that can be taken to improve WASH in HCFs safely, effectively and sustainably. Successful examples will be shared and participants will be given resources to help them participate in the improvement in WASH in HCFs.

*Convenors: Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, WaterAid, WHO and World Vision*

Kendall Dye won the Four Winds International golf tournament on June 12 and used the opportunity to promote Golf Fore Africa, World Vision's partner to fund water wells in Zambia. Kendall even managed to convince a stranger to fund a water well on a recent flight. Thank you and congratulations Kendall! ([Read more](#)).



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