UNICEF Programmes

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Global Trends

**Environmental crises exacerbated by climate change**
- Number of climate-related disasters increased by 35% since 1990s; 500 million children live in areas with high flood occurrence, and almost 160 million in areas with high drought severity

**Socio-economic crises, poverty, increasing and pervasive inequalities**
- Children living in multidimensional poverty has soared to approximately 1.2 billion as a result of COVID-19

**Health epidemics including COVID pandemic**
- Pandemic, infectious disease and outbreaks cause loss of life and livelihoods of up to $60 billion per year.

**Fragility and conflict, protracted humanitarian crises**
- 1.8 billion people live in fragile contexts (23% of the world population); expected to increase to 25% by 2030 and 31% by 2050. As of 2019, nearly 33 million children had been displaced as result of conflict or violence.

**Persistent patterns of exclusion**
- Including around gender, ethnicity, race, socio-economic

**Migration and displacement**
- An expanding global reality, increasing in scale, complexity and political importance. An estimated 272 million persons are international migrants of which 51 percent are children and young people.

**Demographic**
- By 2030, 63% of the world’s children will be living in low-income countries (LICs) and in lower-middle-income countries (LMICs).

**Urbanization**
- Today, more than 55% of the world’s population (7.7 billion people) live in urban areas, a proportion that is expected to increase to 68% by 2050.

**Globalization, digital connectivity**
- Health, education and food choices + personal behavior being influenced by global tendencies
- Misinformation, online violence
Towards 2030: An ambition renewed

**CROSS-CUTTING PROGRAMMES**
- Climate Action
- Disability
- Gender
- Peacebuilding
- Resilience

**Enablers**
- Advocacy and Communications
- Community Engagement, Social and Behaviour Change
- Data, Research, Evaluation and Knowledge Management
- Digital Transformation
- Gender Transformative Programming
- Innovation
- Partnership and Engagement: Public and Private
- Risk-informed Humanitarian and Development Nexus Programming
- Systems Strengthening to Leave No One Behind

**Change Strategies**

**Medium-Term Changes (by 2025)**
- Country level
  - Catalytic Child, Adolescent, Youth Engagement and Empowerment
  - Child-friendly Governance, Institutions, Policies and Laws
  - Comprehensive and Predictable Financing for Children
  - Decision-making Based on Data and Evidence
  - Equitable and Inclusive Access to Essential Supplies and Services
  - Full Implementation of the Core Commitments for Children in Humanitarian and Fragile Settings
  - Greater Public Engagement and Support to Child Rights
  - Positive Behaviours, Social and Gender Norms
  - Programmes that Reduce Fragility, Prevent Crisis and Build Peace
  - Strategically Mobilized Business for Results

**Long-Term Results (by 2030)**
- Goal Area 1.
  - Every child, including adolescents, survives and thrives with access to nutritious diets, quality primary health care, nurturing practices and essential supplies

- Goal Area 2.
  - Every child, including adolescents, learns and acquires skills for the future

- Goal Area 3.
  - Every child, including adolescents, is protected from violence, exploitation, abuse, neglect and harmful practices

- Goal Area 4.
  - Every child, including adolescents, has access to safe and equitable water, sanitation and hygiene services and supplies, and lives in a safe and sustainable climate and environment

- Goal Area 5.
  - Every child, including adolescents, has access to inclusive social protection and lives free from poverty

**Impact**
- Realizing the rights of every child, including adolescents, especially the most excluded

**Sphere of control and accountability**
- Sphere of influence
- Vision

**Goal Area 1.**
- CRC

**Goal Area 2.**
- CEDAW

**Goal Area 3.**
- CRPD
Why UNICEF?

**Global Leader**

- Intellectual leadership and agenda setting; shaping global discourse, policy and knowledge on child rights
- Trusted brand, extensive reach and voice
- Strategic partner, convener, broker and alliance builder (including some hosted partnerships i.e. Sanitation and Water for All, GenU, Education Cannot Wait etc).
- Lead in Humanitarian: Global WASH Cluster Lead for WASH, Nutrition and Education and the Child Protection Area of Responsibility
- Lead on Data & custodian of several SDG indicators
- Integral to the development and humanitarian sector ‘architecture’ i.e., Vice Chair of UN-Water coordination platform, co-Chair of the SUN etc.

**Country Leader**

- Largest footprint- programming
- Sector (inc. SWAp) and cluster lead in many countries
- Biggest technical workforce globally in Education, WASH, Nutrition and SBC
- Partner of choice; privileged relationship with government working at national, sub-national, and community levels.
- Trusted partner (public, academia, CSOs)
SELECT PROGRAMME RESULTS

30.5 million live births delivered in health facilities through UNICEF-supported programmes

92 low- and middle-income countries financed for COVID-19 vaccines, support provided to prepare for vaccines (COVAX)

<244 million children reached with services to prevent stunting and other forms of malnutrition

7.2 million adolescents participated in or led civic engagement interventions through UNICEF-supported programmes in humanitarian and development settings

106 million people, including 58 million children provided critical water, sanitation and hygiene services and supplies

87 countries have established enabling policy environment for ECD with national policy or action plan in place

4.1 million children participated in skills development programmes

17.8 million people reached with gender-based violence risk mitigation, prevention or response

48 million out-of-school children participated in early learning, primary or secondary education

43 million children received learning materials

3 billion people reached through risk communication dissemination, community engagement information and activities.

130 million children and adolescents were reached by UNICEF-supported cash-transfer programmes

2.2 million children with disabilities were reached with programmes and services


This map does not reflect a position by UNICEF on the legal status of any country or territory or the delimitation of any frontiers.
The Mission

All children to return to school safely and to learn in a supportive environment.

Three Priorities

1. All children and youth are back in school and receive the tailored services needed to meet their learning, health, psychosocial well-being, and other needs.

2. All children receive support to catch up on lost learning.

3. All teachers are prepared and supported to address learning losses among their students and to incorporate digital technology into their teaching.
Climate change, environment and DRR (disaster risk reduction)

- UNICEF’s new strategic plan embeds targets for climate and environmental action within our goal areas as well as promoting cross-sectoral action.

2020 Results:

- UNICEF supported governments in developing child-sensitive climate and environmental actions and plans in 65 countries

- In 74 countries, UNICEF supported child-sensitive climate and environmental programming in areas such as resilient water and sanitation systems, the use of renewable energy in health-care facilities and social protection systems that are responsive to climate and environmental shocks

- more than 750,000 children and young people participate in, or lead, offline and online civic initiatives on climate and environmental action in 106 countries

- Supported the development of child-sensitive national and local risk management plans in 56 countries
Mental Health

• Articulation of UNICEF’s MHPSS direction across GAs in its new Strategic Plan (2022-2025)

• Advancing multi-sectoral community-based MHPSS services to address the burden of mental health problems on children, adolescents, caregivers and families.

• In 2020, reached 47.2 million children, adolescents and caregivers with community-based mental health and psychosocial support, including targeted community awareness campaigns in 116 countries.
UNFPA-UNICEF Global Programme to End Child Marriage

- 8x as many adolescent girls supported with life skills and comprehensive sexuality education compared to 2016.
- 6.3 million boys and men reached with messages addressing harmful masculinities and gender norms.
- 92% of the targeted countries have costed national action plans compared to 42% in 2016.
- 10 million additional girls at risk of child marriage by 2030 due to COVID-19.
- 20.4 million people reached through education, sensitization and social mobilization and 78.4 million people reached through radio, TV and social media.
Spotlight on Social Protection: Jordan

A swift operational response to strengthen the shock-responsiveness of the national social protection system:

- **Generate evidence and analysis** identifying the devastating impact of the crisis on refugees and vulnerable Jordanians with WFP and UNHCR
- **Support coordination and preparedness of the national system**, as co-Chair of the Common Cash Facility promoted an interagency cash delivery platform facilitating effective to reach 400,000 beneficiaries with WB
- **System building and effective delivery** supporting the government to enhance their MIS system to identify and enroll 240,000 unregistered families for the COVID-19 response
- **Expand the Hajati-Cash Transfer Programme** to reach over 30,000 vulnerable refugee families
- **Systematically integrate cash transfers with services**, such as learning support services, early childhood services and community-based child protection.

Sidra, 13 years, is in sixth grade and a recipient of the Hajati cash transfer. “Mom bought us shoes, notebooks, pens, sharpeners and erasers,” says Sidra excitedly.

Source: Jordan: BEING PREPARED AND ACTING FAST: A series of case studies on UNICEF’s role in the delivery of effective social protection responses to COVID-19

140+ countries supported by UNICEF to build inclusive, social protection systems

130.7 million children reached through UNICEF-supported cash transfers
Thank you