

Keeping kids healthy in El Alto, Bolivia

PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL



WATER AND SANITATION

2021



“Forty-two per cent of the rural population in Bolivia practices open defecation. This is the highest rate in the region and one of the main causes of child morbidity and mortality in the country.”

UNICEF, 2019

COVER: Child development centres in Bolivia are encouraging hygiene practices such as hand washing among Compassion assisted children, but need improved facilities to implement them correctly.



Project overview

Thank you for considering this generous and life-changing partnership opportunity with Compassion Australia. Your generosity would help to fund the repair and renovation of sanitation facilities at five child development centres in Bolivia, supporting the health of thousands of Compassion assisted children.

Supporting:

1,956 Compassion assisted children, plus hundreds more family members, staff, volunteers and community members

Location:

Five child development centres in El Alto, Bolivia

Project timeframe:

February 2021 – July 2021

Project code:

BO INT-22541

Estimated local contribution:

US\$7341*

Funding required:

AU\$31,000

*Our local church partners would also like to make a financial contribution towards this project—a demonstration of their commitment to the project's sustainability and their community's ongoing development.

This Water and Sanitation project has been initiated to combat waterborne diseases prevalent among Compassion assisted children in El Alto, Bolivia.

Your support would help to fund the repair and renovation of sanitation facilities at five child development centres, supporting the health and wellbeing of thousands of Compassion assisted children, as well as countless caregivers, staff and community members.

To commence the work, both a project committee and a construction committee will be mobilised to oversee repairs and renovations. They will then hire a skilled plumber and an electrician who will reinstall the water tanks for the toilets and sinks, and complete the electrical installations.

Once construction work has been completed, local church partners will conduct hygiene training with Compassion assisted children and caregivers, teaching them how to make the most of the improved sanitation facilities in order to protect themselves from waterborne diseases. As COVID-19 sweeps across the developing world, this hygiene training will help to protect children's and the community's health and wellbeing.



Why is this project critical?

For the five child development centres identified in this Water and Sanitation project, sanitation facilities are currently in dilapidated conditions and have deteriorated over time, making them a source for waterborne diseases.

Many families in impoverished communities also aren't aware of the impact hygiene has on overall health, adding to further infections in communities like those in El Alto, Bolivia. Most caregivers grew up without proper toilets and sinks, leading to the unhealthy practice of open defecation. Since they weren't taught how to use toilets and the importance of washing your hands afterwards, they can't pass this information on to their children.

Access to quality drinking water and a connection to the sewage system are among the significant factors that impact the prevalence of waterborne diseases. Most of the families drink water at home that has been stored in open, empty oil barrels or containers, exposing them to the elements. And without access to the sewage system in their homes, many are forced to relieve themselves in nearby streams, further contaminating the water supply.

As caregivers are forced to be away from the home most of the day to work and provide for their families, children are often left unsupervised and aren't able to be encouraged in hygiene practices such as hand washing.

Improved sanitation facilities at the five child development centres in El Alto, Bolivia, will allow Compassion assisted children, caregivers and the community to practise healthy hygiene habits that can then be implemented at home, protecting them from contracting further waterborne diseases.

This project would help Bolivia work towards achieving the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goal 6.2, which seeks to achieve access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all by 2030.

Project objectives:

#1

Repair and renovate sanitation facilities at five child development centres in El Alto, Bolivia, ensuring children can maintain their hygiene and health

#2

Provide hygiene training on healthy habits such as hand washing and proper toilet use to protect children from waterborne diseases



With improved sanitation facilities, Compassion assisted children will be protected from waterborne diseases.

*Good health, clean
water and nutritious
food are a child's right.*

ARTICLE 19, CONVENTION
ON THE RIGHTS OF THE
CHILD, 1989

The Compassion difference

Compassion's approach to poverty is unique. Our program doesn't just address children's physical needs, but the needs of their heart, mind and soul. We work with more than 7000 local church partners around the world to implement our child development program where it is most needed, in a way that best suits each community. With deep roots in their communities, our church partners are best placed to identify children's needs and respond with contextual solutions that change lives long-term.

INVESTING IN LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT

Compassion is committed to sustainable child development. For this reason, our projects are always carried out as long-term collaborations with maximum community engagement.

Your support will equip local community leaders with the information and skills to drive the implementation of this project and respond confidently to any project changes along the way.

With strong community investment, this project will also have effects far beyond the physical work, touching all aspects of community life: building the local economy, investing in the community's skilled workers, and giving children a strong support network as they grow.

WILL COVID-19 AFFECT MY PROJECT?

Where possible, Critical Needs projects will continue as planned. However, as some countries we work in currently have strict quarantine measures, regulations and curfews, there may be delays with some Critical Needs projects. Should there be a delay in the one you are supporting, you will be informed when the information becomes available. Please understand that there may be a delay in receiving this information during this time.

KEEPING YOU UPDATED

You will be kept updated on the project's activities and successes through children and staff letters, interviews and photos. Your Relationship Manager will also be available to answer your questions and provide information.



Financial integrity

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Compassion Australia relies on the tax-deductible donations from foundations, trusts, businesses and individuals from our community to fund our child development program.

Your donations are tax-deductible (excluding donations to the Bible Fund). Compassion Australia has Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status for its Overseas Aid and Development Fund, as listed on the Australian Business Register under our ABN 67 001 692 566.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

Transparency is important to us; we are committed to earning, and keeping, the trust and confidence of our donors and sponsors. In its 2018 assessment, Charity Navigator—the USA's largest charity evaluator—awarded Compassion International 100 marks out of 100 for accountability and transparency, as well as 78.46 for its financial score, earning us an overall three-out-of-four-star rating!

Approximately 80 per cent of your donations will directly benefit the children in our program. The remaining 20 per cent is allocated to fundraising that grows our ministry, and administration to ensure the safe transfer and management of your gifts.



80% *Program development and delivery*

20% *Administration and fundraising costs*

ETHICAL FUNDRAISING



The Professional Body for Australian Fundraising

Using a small portion of donations for fundraising allows Compassion to provide even greater support to the children in our program. For every dollar spent on fundraising, we receive more than seven times that in return which allows us to assist even more children with a much wider range of development activities.

Compassion Australia is an active member of Fundraising Institute Australia (FIA). As an FIA Organisational Member, Compassion Australia is a signatory to the FIA's Principles and Standards of Fundraising Practice, and therefore upholds the highest ethical and professional standards for fundraising.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Compassion Australia's annual report, available on our website, provides a comprehensive overview of our financial position, progress and goals. Visit compassion.com.au/about-us/financials

While we know that important financial decisions take time, we don't like to keep our local church partners waiting too long for a response. One month after you receive this proposal, this project will become available for other supporters to fund.

Ready to support this project or have further questions?

Please contact your Compassion Relationship Manager.

Proposed project budget

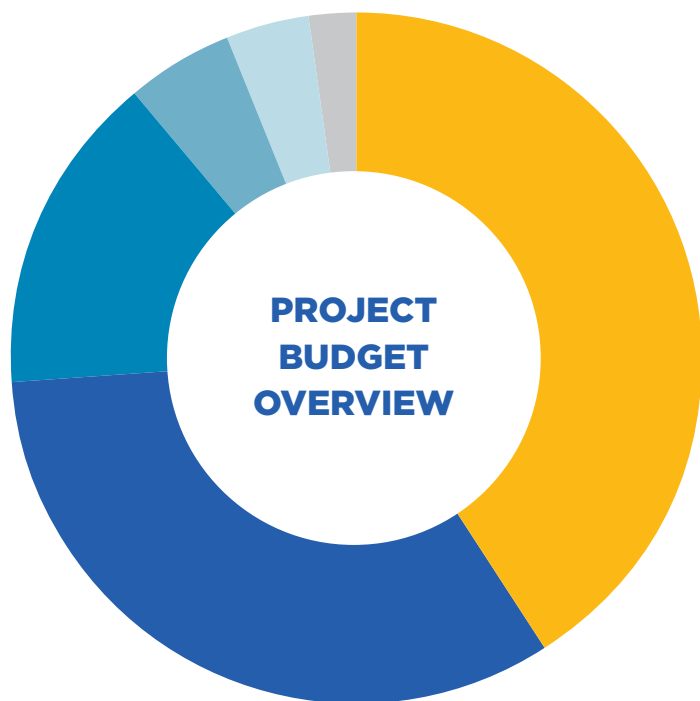
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With your support, our local church partners will receive a grant to implement this project over the coming months.

Below is an overview of how our church partners plan to distribute those funds. Where possible, goods and services are sourced locally, investing in the community's economy.



41%

Bathroom fittings and accessories

4%

Electrical installations

33%

Local contribution

2%

Follow-up and monitoring

15%

Construction materials

5%

Workshops and training

The percentages displayed above are approximations provided by our local church partners. They may include local contributions from the community, or other funds allocated for this project. The distribution of funds is subject to change as required.

Expanded budget details

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Your support will help our local church partners cover the costs of the following required items and services.

These items may change over the course of the project at the discretion of the project committee.

Bathroom fittings and accessories

- Sinks
- Faucets
- Toilets
- Showers
- Sanitation materials
- Mirrors
- Doors
- Urinals
- Plates
- Locks
- Signage
- Plumbing materials

Local contribution

- Labour
- Septic tank

Construction materials

- Sand
- Cement
- Bricks
- Stucco
- Paint
- Tiles
- Cement glue

Workshops and training

- Training materials

Electrical installations

- Accessories for electrical renovations

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Follow-up and monitoring

- Administrative costs around monitoring and reporting

Proposed project timeline

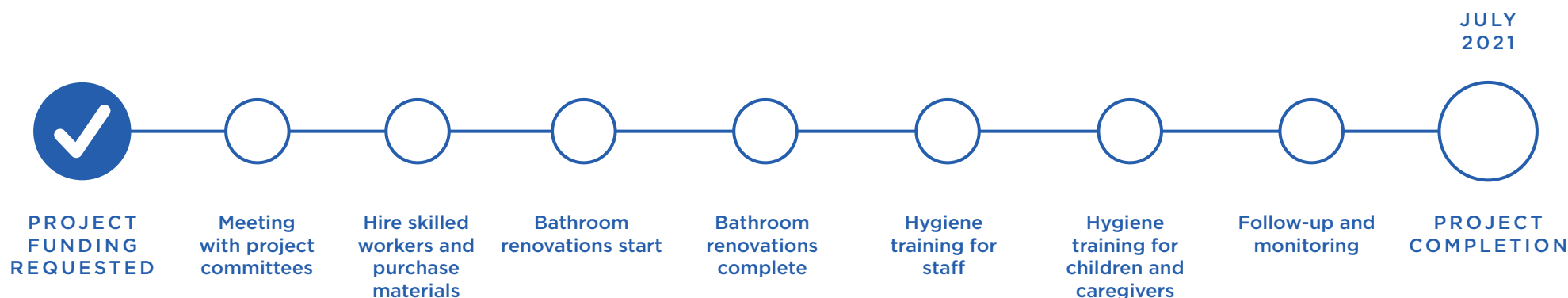
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Your Water and Sanitation project will be implemented by our church partners using local services and resources.

Here's what you can expect to take place during the course of this project.



The milestones and dates displayed above are estimations only and are subject to change.



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