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Water for Women: Vietnam

Improving the health, equality and wellbeing of communities in Vietnam with Women-Led Output Based Aid (WOBA)

Access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) is essential to health and wellbeing.

Water for Women is partnering with Thrive Networks to deliver Women-Led Output Based Aid (WOBA) to some of the poorest and most vulnerable people in 5 provinces of Vietnam, benefitting an estimated 276,000 people.

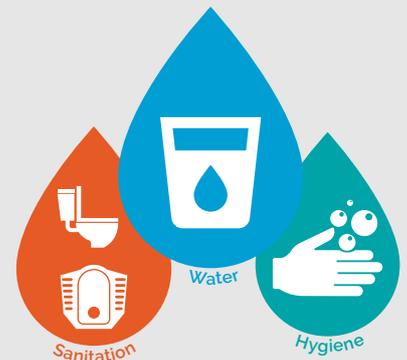
Gender equality and social inclusion are central to Water for Women. Actively involving all people within communities (women, men, marginalised groups, people with disabilities) ensures more equitable and inclusive processes, which lead to more effective and sustainable outcomes in WASH.

Water for Women is the Australian Government's flagship WASH program and will be delivered over five years from 2018 to 2022.



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Women-Led Output Based Aid (WOBA)

The benefits of improved, safe access to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) are clear. Not only does access to WASH prevent disease and death, it also has profound, lasting socio-economic impacts on a community and its ability to prosper, particularly for women and girls.

The Australian Government is committed to delivering effective and sustainable WASH access. Water for Women will contribute to Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG6), water and sanitation for all.

Access to clean water and sanitation has improved dramatically in Vietnam over the past decade. In 2015, 78% of the country had access to improved sanitation facilities, and over 90% had access to improved water sources.

Despite this progress, key barriers remain when it comes to equitable, WASH delivery in Vietnam. Major inequalities still exist, and the quality of basic services remains a problem. There are urban-rural disparities as well as significant inequalities between richer and poorer populations.

- Only 45% of the rural population has access to piped water supply that meets quality standards;
- While 95% of the richest urban quintile has a piped water connection on premises, only 35% of the poorest have access to this service.
- In rural areas, only 3% of the poorest quintile has a household connection.

Women-Led Output Based Aid will support opportunities and benefits in WASH for everyone in the community, with its emphasis on gender equality and social inclusion (GESI).

Project activities will reach rural, low-income and marginalised households with improved access to clean water and improved sanitation and hygiene education.

WOBA will target the following direct beneficiaries for sanitation improvement:

- 2,000 non poor households
- 15,000 government-identified poor and near poor households
- 3,000 vulnerable households

WOBA also aims to increase access to clean water for 8,000 poor, near poor and GESI households in 4 provinces.

Australia understands that equitable WASH access is crucial in developing countries. Water for Women and our partners will provide innovative solutions to WASH delivery in Vietnam, and contribute to global WASH evidence and research.



The Australian aid program is investing in Vietnam over a five-year period. Water for Women is proud to be partnering with Thrive Networks and other local partners including the Vietnam Women's Union.

