

WORLD VISION AUSTRALIA SUPPLIED THE FOLLOWING SUMMARY:

International Development Assistance Program 2012-13

Aid budget commitment of 0.5% GNI delayed by one year to 2016-17.

2012-13 budget increased by \$315 million which means the GNI ratio is static at 0.35%.

Key figures

In 2012-13, Australian aid will **increase to \$5.2 billion**. This is an increase of **\$315 million** from 2011-12.

However, the **ODA/GNI ratio will remain at 0.35%** and the **commitment to reach 0.5% by 2015-16 has been deferred** by one year to **2016-17**. This deferral will mean **\$2.9 billion less** for Australia's aid program over four years.

NGO expenditure: Funding for NGOs under the **ANCP** will increase to **\$110 million** in **2012-13** and to \$165 million by 2015-16.

Year	% GNI from 2012-13 forward estimates
2012-2013	0.35
2013-2014	0.37
2014-2015	0.41
2015-2016	0.45
2016-2017	0.50

Key points

The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Senator the Hon Bob Carr, reported that the aid budget had been **significantly protected as a result of sector-led advocacy**.

New measures totalling \$1.5 billion over the next four years will cover health, education and agricultural productivity in Asia and the Pacific, and increase funding to humanitarian crises.

70 percent of the program will be expended in the **Asia-Pacific region**, with **Indonesia** and **PNG** the largest programs by a significant margin.

A **continued commitment to AusAID's five strategic goals** announced last year of saving lives, promoting opportunities for all, sustainable economic development, effective governance and humanitarian and disaster response.

Continued increase in funding to education (forecast to be 21% in 2012-13), with only a **small increase to health** (15% excluding WASH).

Release of Australia's **Comprehensive Aid Policy Framework** to 2015-16, which sets the strategic direction and reporting framework for Australia's aid program over the next four years.