




Côte d'Ivoire

In Côte d'Ivoire, Helen Keller Intl partners with key government ministries—including the Ministries of Agriculture, Education and Social Literacy, Employment and Social Protection, and Health—to strengthen local systems and improve access to vision, health, and nutrition services for the people we serve. Our work is rooted in evidence-based approaches that help ensure communities have access to healthy food and vital care.



 Number of staff: **35**
 People reached annually: **5 million**

 Office opened: **2001**
 Operating budget: **\$5.4 million**

Challenges



60% of children under the age of 5 suffer from vitamin A deficiency, putting their vision, health, and lives at risk.

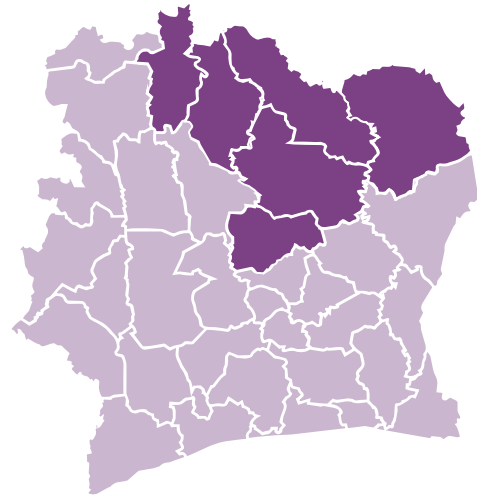


Over 27% of people in rural areas of Côte d'Ivoire are malnourished due to low incomes and poor nutritional quality of local foods.



An estimated 14% of the population has a preventable visual impairment, including a 3% blindness rate that is largely due to cataracts.

Where We Work



- Bagoué
- Bounkani
- Gbekè
- Hambol
- Poro
- Tchologo

Our Solutions



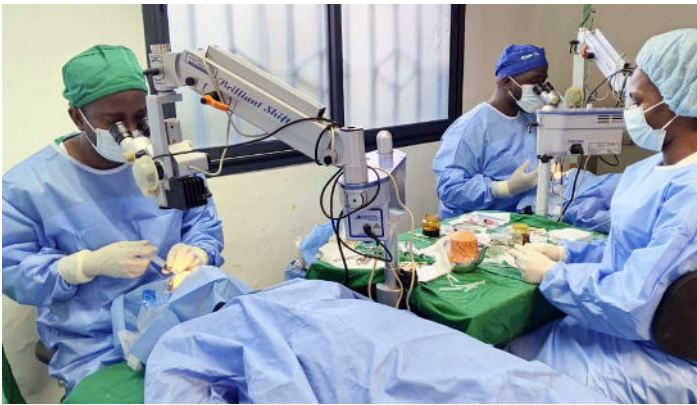
Support the distribution of vitamin A and deworming medication through campaigns and routine care throughout the country, including remote and hard-to-reach areas.



Empower women to grow nutritious foods and build financial security through the creation of microbusinesses.



Provide free cataract surgery for patients in the Bélier, Hautassandra, and Tonkpi health regions.



Our Impact

- ✓ Reached more than 4.7 million children with a full dose of vitamin A, reaching an average of 96% of eligible children.
- ✓ Provided agricultural tools, training, and education to nearly 50,000 women to build healthier futures for themselves and their families.
- ✓ Performed free cataract surgeries for more than 500 people to prevent blindness and restore their vision.

Key partners: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Buddhist Global Relief, Cure Blindness Project

About Helen Keller Intl

Guided by our founder's remarkable legacy, Helen Keller Intl works to improve the lives of people around the world by protecting vision, enhancing nutrition, and fighting disease. Working in 20 countries—across Africa, Asia, Europe, and the United States—we help families grow and eat nutritious food, stave off malnutrition, strengthen their immune systems, access life-saving medical treatments, avoid blindness, and protect their vision. Together, with a global community of supporters, we're building a world where every person can live a healthy life filled with potential.

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