

How does climate change affect poverty?

- Natural disasters hit poor people hardest. Extreme weather events such as storms, flood and droughts are increasing as a result of climate change.
- Roughly 70 percent of the world's extreme poverty is found in agricultural areas where farmers depend on rain for their harvests. Climate change is changing established patterns of rainfall.
- Across Africa, up to 250 million people could face severe water shortages by 2020, due to climate change.
- Food and water-borne illnesses as well as parasitic diseases such as malaria will increase as sea levels rise.
- Women make up 70 percent of the world's poor and are disproportionately dependent on natural resources that are threatened by climate change.

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Who is ActionAid?

ActionAid Australia is a rights based anti-poverty agency addressing the root causes of poverty and injustice – not just the effects.

At the heart of our work is the belief that each of us - rich or poor - is entitled to the same basic human rights. Our mission is to work alongside poor, excluded and vulnerable people to end poverty and injustice together.

Visit our website at www.actionaid.org.au to find out more about the work of ActionAid, across the world.

Child sponsorship

A smile can cheer you up all day. Especially the smile of a child. Today you have the chance to make one of the poorest children in the world happy - by sponsoring them for just over a dollar a day.

Child sponsorship is a wonderful way to bring hope and change to a child living in poverty. Just over a dollar a day through ActionAid child sponsorship could bring a child an education, and help their whole community access safe clean water, nourishing food and the opportunities they need to change their future, for good.

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