Canada also supports improved access to water in underserved areas, as well as sanitation and hygiene services as a means of advancing the dignity of the poorest and vulnerable. Canada also contributes to improved health and nutrition indicators. Programming across all sectors targets women and aims to address the key barriers to the attainment of their full rights.

Key results

Canada helped 93,000 farmers, including 65,000 women farmers, from across northern Ghana to increase their agricultural production and more than double their incomes. These achievements included a 700% increase in groundnut yields per acre, a 250% increase in maize yields and a 380% increase in soy production.

Canada also helped 226,000 people living in dry and underserved communities gain access to safe drinking water. In the area of hygiene, Canada worked to help over 89,000 students, including 58,000 girls, receive information and training on menstrual hygiene management. These programs target both girls and boys to address socio-cultural beliefs and taboos surrounding menstruation, and also provide basic education on sexual and reproductive health. Canada's investment ensured that 23,000 girls had increased access to appropriate gender-divided sanitation facilities at school. This allows them to attend school during their menstrual cycle.

