

Mission: Deliver sustainable quality-of-life services to and with the people of South Sudan by efficiently providing access to clean, safe water, and improving hygiene and sanitation practices in areas of great need.

Who we are:

- Wau State, South Sudan: 41 year-round and 44 seasonal operations staff
- Rochester, NY, USA Headquarters: 6 full-time staff members, 1 part-time employee, and 15 Board of Directors members











628New wells drilled











About our founder

Salva Dut is a former "Lost Boy of Su dan" who came to the US as a refugee. After his father almost died from a waterborne illness, Salva started WFSS with a dream to drill one well for his father. Once he drilled that well, he kept going. Read Salva's story in Linda Sue Park's bestselling novel A Long Walk to Water.

2003: Founded as 501(c)(3) US not-for-profit in Rochester, NY

2005: Drilled first water well in South Sudan2014: Launched hygiene education teams2017: Established well rehabilitation team

2018: Implemented latrine project at Zogolona Primary School

2020: Obtained NNGO registration status in South Sudan 2021: Completed first solar-powered water storage system

2021: Partnered with UNICEF, Oxfam, ACF, and IOM in WASH 2022: Partnered with Carter Center and Norwegian Church Aid

2023: WFSS becomes Sudan refugee camp WASH responder



Pictured: UNICEF partnership project hygiene training