World Toilet Day 2026 Facts and Action Sheet

Thu., Nov. 19, 2026: Safe toilets. Equal futures.

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Facts

- The 2026 campaign, 'Safe toilets. Equal futures.', is about sanitation and gender equality.
- In 2024, 3.4 billion people still lacked safely managed sanitation.
- Of them, 354 million practice open defecation.
- In 2024, 58% of people (4.8 billion) used a safely managed sanitation service.

THE UN'S CALLS TO ACTION

- [ ] Raise awareness of the link between sanitation and gender equality
- [ ] Invest in gender-responsive sanitation
- [ ] Make toilets a force for equality
- [ ] Help women shape sanitation solutions, alongside men

Not yet confirmed

World Water Day 2027 theme: the 2027 theme was not announced as of Nov. 4, 2026

The action I will take for World Toilet Day 2026

Source: United Nations, World Toilet Day; World Health Organization, Sanitation fact sheet, Nov. 3, 2026; World Health Organization and UNICEF, Aug. 26, 2025.