



COVID-19 RESOURCE TRACKER

OVERVIEW

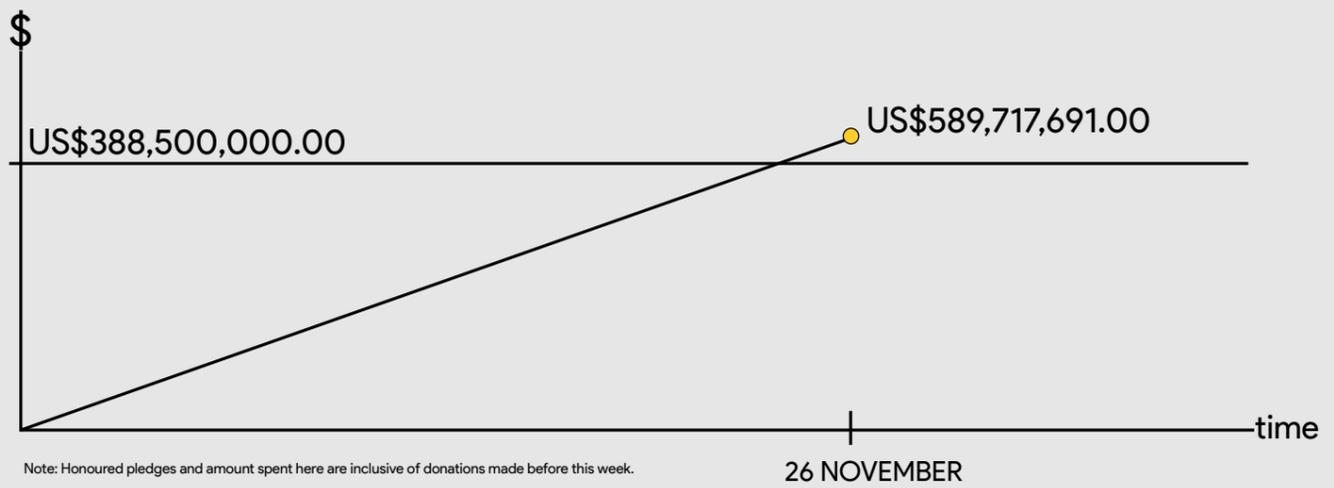
Zimbabwe has been trying to mobilise resources to respond in the best way possible to the devastating social and economic effects of corona virus. The Zimbabwe COVID-19 resource tracker is a civil society initiative by ZIMCODD to keep track of all resources pledged, received and utilised by the government of Zimbabwe in the COVID-19 response. ZIMCODD notes with concern that accountability for these resources is equally important as the resources themselves. This tracker has been developed to strengthen transparency and accountability by the government on COVID-19 resources while empowering citizens with information to hold the government to account on allocation and utilisation of COVID-19 resources. The tracker is updated on a weekly basis to show pledges honoured, resources received and resources expended.



THIS WEEK



TOTALS



Illustrated below are sources of the resources pledged, honoured and utilised, All other forms of contributions have been converted into monetary value. All currencies were converted to USD at Government of Zimbabwe interbank rate. Percentage (%) indicates resources utilized

GOVERNMENT OF ZIMBABWE

TREASURY	US\$38,172,000.00	99%
SOCIAL SAFETY FUND	US\$24,000,000.00	20.8%

EMBASSIES

SOUTH KOREA EMBASSY	US\$300,000.00	100%
INDIAN EMBASSY	US\$350,000.00	100%
CHINESE EMBASSY	US\$500,000.00	100%
SWEDISH EMBASSY	US\$25,000.00	100%

DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

GLOBAL FUND	US\$25,000,000.00	76.6%
EUROPEAN UNION	US\$45,000,000.00	88%
FAO	US\$1,000,000.00	
THE US PRESIDENT'S EMERGENCY PLAN FOR AIDS RELIEF	US\$150,000.00	100%
UNITED NATIONS	US\$17,789,611.00	50%
ILO	US\$20,000.00	
WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME	US\$5,250,000.00	100%
INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF RED CROSS	US\$200,000.00	90%
WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION	US\$40,000.00	100%
UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	US\$4,153,940.00	60%
GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR EDUCATION	US\$7,000,000.00	
WORLD BANK	US\$7,400,000.00	32.4%
CHINESE FOUNDATION	US\$5,000,000.00	100%

Note: Projected Need was calculated using ZIMCODD financial modelling
Find the projection at: <http://zimcodd.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/COVID-19-Response-Mechanism.pdf>

ANGEL OF HOPE FOUNDATION	US\$63,133.00	100%
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AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE	US\$7,193.00	100%
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USAID	US\$3,045,000.00	65.6%
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OTHER GOVERNMENTS

UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT	US\$46,373,340.00	4.5%
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT	US\$ 78,500,000.00	60%
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SWISS GOVERNMENT	US\$1,530,000.00	50%
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CHINA (NANNING CITY)	US\$172,000.00	100%
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INDIA	US\$400,000.00	100%
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NAMIBIA	US\$157,465.00	100%
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CANADA	US\$2,938,020.00	
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GERMANY	US\$1,180,000.00	
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CHINA GVT <small>(state owned companies)</small>	US\$55,000.00	100%
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JAPAN	US\$19,100,000.00	
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CORPORATES

HIGHER LIFE FOUNDATION	US\$6,925,000.00	9.7%
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TONGAAT HULLET	US\$480,000.00	100%
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AFRICAN MEDALLION	US\$5,000,000.00	100%
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LOCAL PRIVATE COMPANIES	US\$1,734,000.00	100%
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TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION OF ZIMBABWE	US\$472,000.00	
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KING DAVID GLOBAL	US\$2,000,000.00	100%
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ARAB BANK FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA	US\$10,000,000.00	25%
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ECONET	US\$29,230.00	100%
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TELONE AND NETONE	US\$121,065.00	
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AFRICA DEVELOPMENT BANK	US\$13,700,000.00	8%
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NATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY AUTHORITY	US\$614,250.00	100%
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GAVI	US\$1,016,560.00	100%
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STANDARD CHARTERED GROUP	US\$444,000.00	
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CBZ & SOLIDARITY TRUST ZIM	US\$735 211.00	
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CITIZEN INITIATIVES

GOFUNDME	US\$40,000.00	75%
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OTHER INDIVIDUALS	US\$164,206.00	100%
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MAJOR CONCERNS

- The 2021 national budget has been received with mixed feelings. The budget has allocated ZWL\$6.9billion (approximately USD\$84.8million) towards social services and the fear is on whether the budget will adequately respond to the current needs of marginalised and vulnerable citizens whose livelihoods were ravaged by some of the COVID-19 containment measures.
- Concerns have also been registered that the 2021 budget is still not pro-poor against citizens' expectations. Worrisome to note is the extent to which the ZWL\$54.7billion allocated to the health sector is going to resuscitate that sector and better prepare for future disasters.
- The phased re-opening of schools which started on 28 September 2020 has not achieved much in curbing the spread of COVID-19. Parents and guardians bemoan the increase in COVID-19 cases among learners within a short period of time.
- Citizens lament the presentation of a second budget in a row before undertaking an audit on previous year's expenditure. Hope continues to be pinned on the release of the findings of the COVID-19 resources audit from the Office of the Auditor General. The hope is that the process will unearth and address irregularities in the mismanagement and misappropriation of public funds in disaster contexts.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT

- The 2021 national budget has to do more towards strengthening social safety nets so as to cushion citizens from the socioeconomic impacts of COVID-19. From the constrained budget allocation presented by the Finance Minister, the government through the social welfare must ensure that deserving vulnerable citizens benefit from the aid. In this regard, the ministry should desist from using political structures to identify and distribute aid.
- More needs to be done to resource, safeguard and improve the country's healthcare system and health service delivery in general. There is need to strengthen the primary healthcare and to enhance the capacity of existing public health facilities in the face of a second COVID-19 phase.
- It is commendable that the 2021 national budget exceeded the 12% Dakar framework threshold. However, there should be deliberate effort by the government to ensure that the budget lines allocated to Primary and Secondary and Higher Education enables the education sector to provide adequate PPEs to protect teachers and learners from the deadly virus while providing more resources towards COVID-19 testing and quarantine services in schools to curb further spread of COVID-19 cases.
- The government must expedite the uptake and implementation of the Auditor General's findings and recommendations to safeguard public resources. This will inculcate transparency and accountability in public resource governance and ensure progressive realisation of social and economic justice.



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