



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.



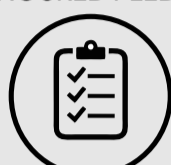
THIS WEEK

PLEDGES



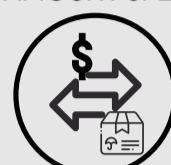
US\$134,000.00

HONOURED PLEDGES



US\$2,593,880.00

AMOUNT SPENT



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TOTALS

PLEDGES



US\$590,251,691.00

HONOURED PLEDGES

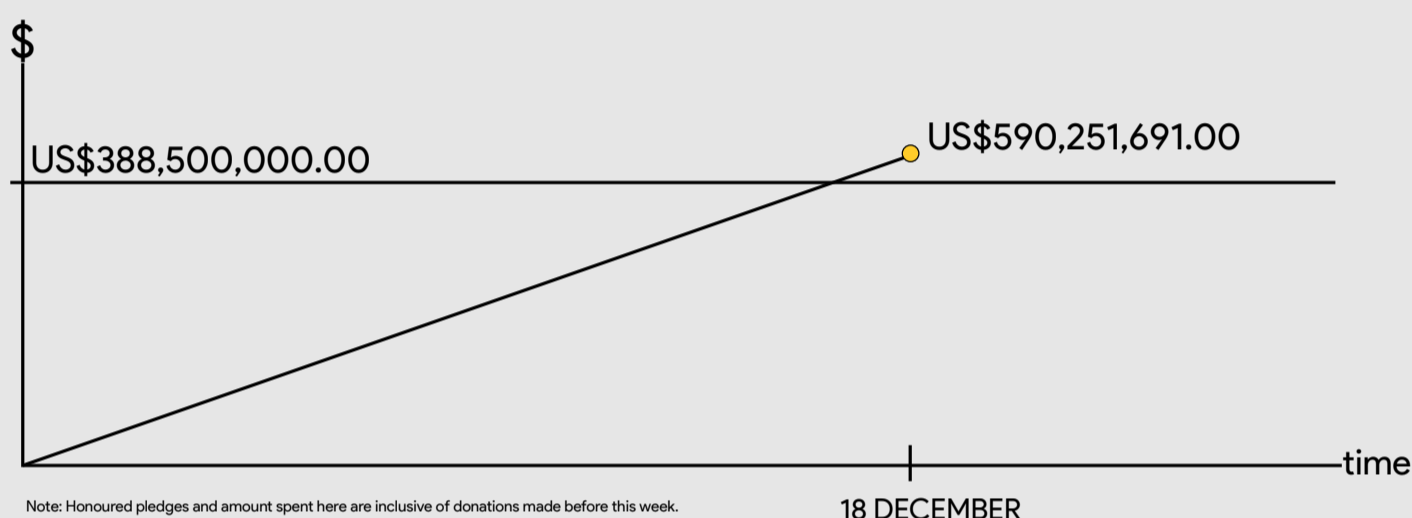


US\$348,784,541.00

AMOUNT SPENT



US\$245,102,159.00



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	37%

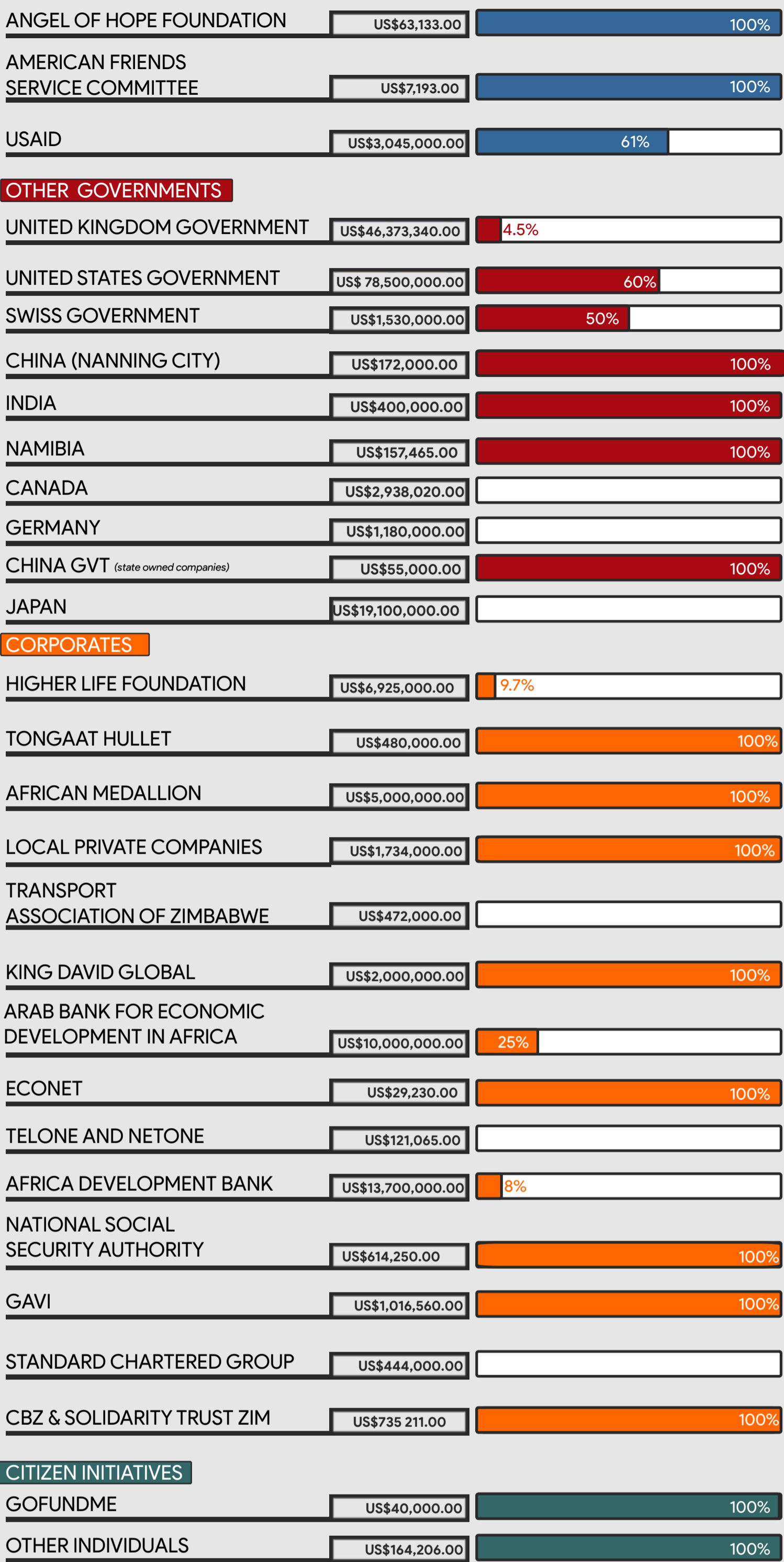
EMBASSIES

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	75%
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	100%
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>



MAJOR CONCERNS

- There has been a growing concern over the increase in urban poverty as citizens battle socioeconomic woes brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic. Most people are surviving well below the poverty datum line due to high poverty levels coupled with food insecurity. The WFP forecasts that by March 2021, at least 3,3 million people constituting about 47% of the urban populace, will be food insecure.
- With COVID-19 cases on the rise, citizens bemoan the unavailability of resources to enable testing and screening of travellers at all ports of entry into the country. This is very worrying considering the increase in number of travellers flocking into the country for the festive season.
- While acknowledging the scientific breakthroughs in COVID-19 vaccine at global level, citizens are concerned about availability and accessibility particularly to vulnerable communities.
- Citizens await in anticipation, the release of COVID-19 resources audit findings. Of major concern is the recurring gross financial malpractices and non-compliance to public finance management procedures by the public sector as successively revealed by the office of the Auditor General.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT

- To cushion vulnerable members of the country, the government should complete the disbursement of the allocated social safety cushioning funds from the update provided in the 2021 national budget and ensure that all deserving vulnerable citizens benefit from the aid.
- The government must avail resources to equip all ports of entry with facilities to adequately screen, test, isolate and/ or quarantine travellers depending on their COVID 19 status upon arrival.
- In light of the second wave of COVID-19, the government must budget and allocate resources towards nationwide free provision of the COVID-19 vaccine to all citizens. A framework for acquisition, distribution and monitoring of the vaccine should be developed.
- 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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