



# COVID-19 RESOURCE TRACKER

## OVERVIEW

The COVID-19 Resource tracker is a ZIMCODD initiative to keep track of all resources pledged, received and expended by the Government of Zimbabwe in response to the COVID-19 pandemic from March 2020 to date. The aim of the COVID-19 Resources Tracker is to strengthen transparency and accountability by the government on COVID-19 resources while empowering citizens with information to hold the government to account for the allocation and utilisation of COVID-19 resources. The tracker is updated on a weekly basis.

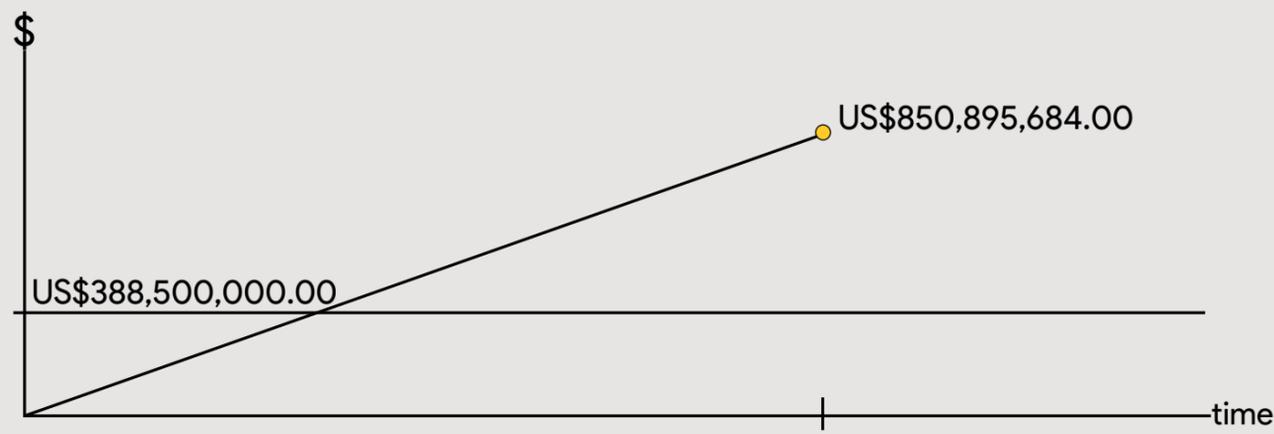
Zimbabwe continues to mobilise resources internally and externally to respond to the devastating socioeconomic effects of COVID-19. Among other efforts, the government in the 2021 national budget has set aside ZWL7 billion to recruit more health personnel, procure PPEs, testing kits and sundries required in fighting COVID-19. The government has also budgeted ZWL3.5 billion to cushion 500 000 vulnerable households whose beneficiaries comprise of members in the informal sector, returning residents and children living on the streets. On 18 February 2021, the Government through the Ministry of Health and Child Care launched the vaccination program and as at 2 August 2021, a total of 1 674 710 Zimbabweans had been inoculated.



## TOTALS



## THIS WEEK 03 AUGUST 2021



Note: Honoured pledges and amount spent here are inclusive of donations made before this week.

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\$100,000,000.00	93%
SOCIAL SAFETY FUND	US\$24,000,000.00	37%
MIN. OF SOCIAL WELFARE	US\$42,792,51.00	

## EMBASSIES

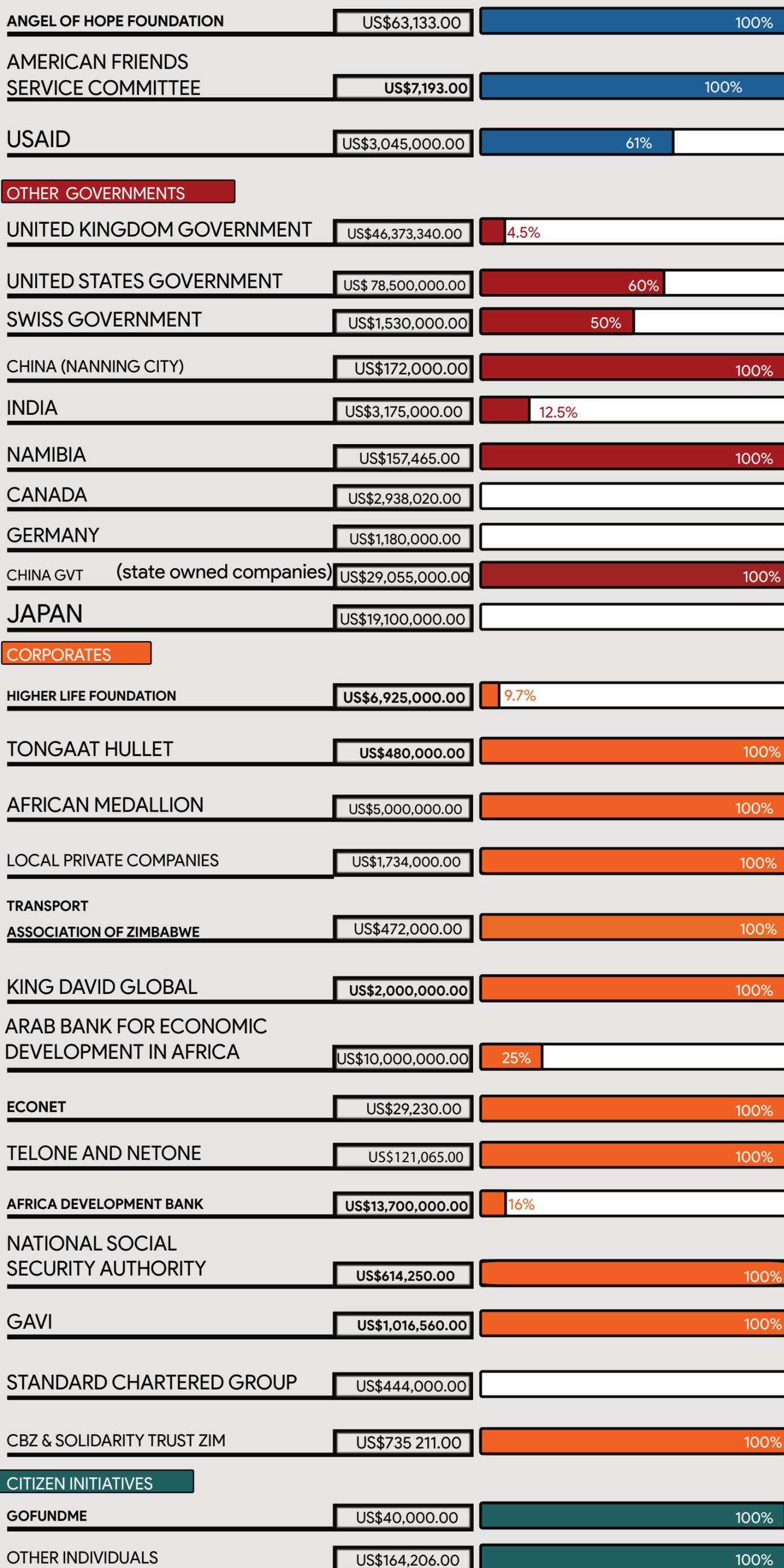
SOUTH KOREA EMBASSY	US\$300,000.00	100%
INDIAN EMBASSY	US\$350 000.00	100%
CHINESE EMBASSY	US\$500,000.00	100%
SWEDISH EMBASSY	US\$25,000.00	100%

## DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

GLOBAL FUND	US\$120,000,000.00	92%
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	77.5%
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://imcodd.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/COVID-19-Response-Mechanism.pdf>



## MAJOR CONCERNS

- ZIMCODD notes with concern the gross corruption and mismanagement of COVID-19 resources in local authorities as reported by the Ministry of Information and various media houses. Zvishavane District Hospital is a case in point for issuing COVID-19 vaccination cards to unvaccinated people at a cost of US\$20 - US\$30/per card.
- Further revelation on abuse and misuse of public resources as illustrated by the failure of local authorities such as Chitungwiza Municipality and Harare City Council to account for financial resources availed by treasury towards the COVID-19 response is disturbing. This signals citizen betrayal by supposed stewards and continued violation of the social contract.
- Rural areas bemoan growing inequalities in terms of vaccine availability and accessibility. Communities such as Gokwe, Bubi, Tsholotsho, people are still have few vaccination centres with people travelling long distances in search of the vaccine while in other areas such as Buhera and Bindura first timers for the vaccines are being turned away from vaccination points as the centres are running out of stock. The recent Mid-Term Fiscal Review presented on 29th July is not sufficient without a supplement. It should be noted that the measures which continue to be enforced in order to mitigate the spread of the pandemic has had a serious impact on the livelihoods of communities.

## RECOMMENDATIONS.

- Parliamentary oversight and scrutiny of COVID-19 earmarked resources, vaccine roll-out and major public procurement processes is vital to safeguard against corruption.
- All local authorities should be mandated to provide detailed reports on COVID-19 expenditure for accountability purposes and better service delivery in the COVID-19 era.
- In line with the herd immunity goal, there is an urgent need to strengthen and implement mobile vaccination centres in rural areas for people to easily access the vaccines while at the same time sustainably mobilize resources to procure more vaccines. Vaccines should be made affordable and available to all so as to leave no one behind.
- It is imperative for treasury to work a supplementary budget in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Drawing a budget that will meaningfully address social protection in form of cash transfers and funds for the vulnerable is an urgent need.