



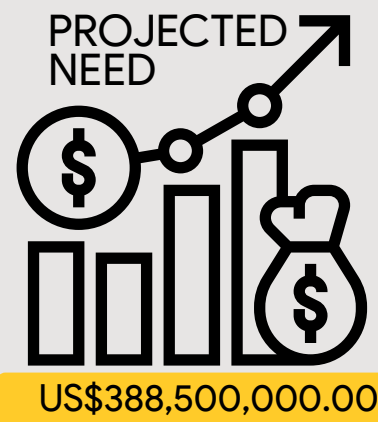
COVID-19

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.

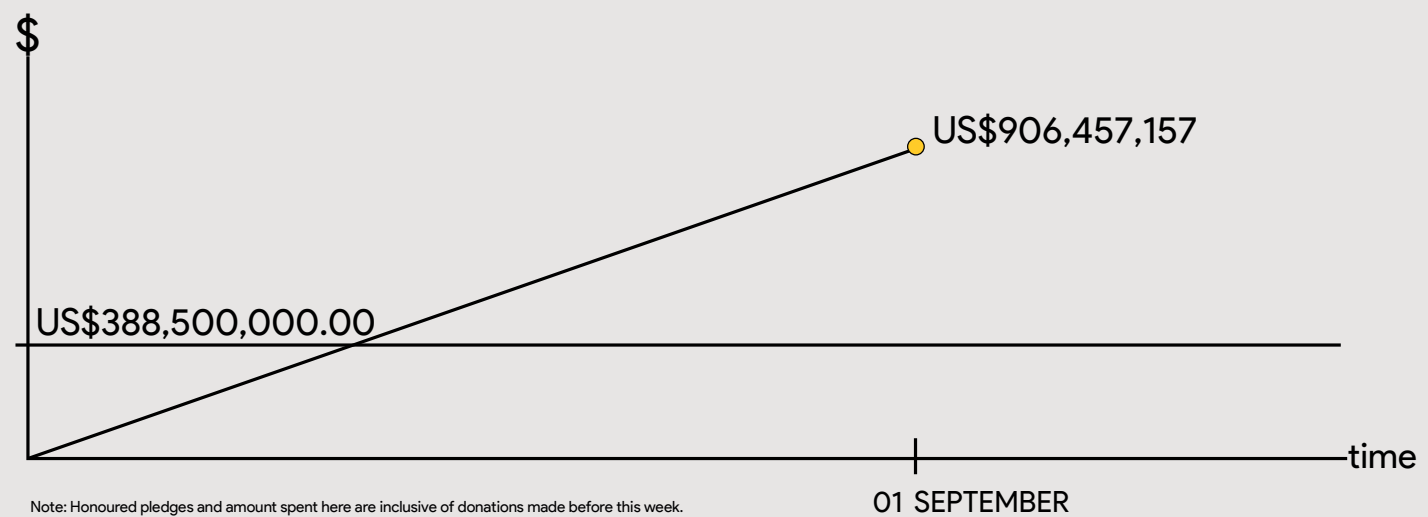
Zimbabwe continues to mobilise resources internally and externally to respond to the devastating socioeconomic effects of COVID-19. Among other efforts, the government in the 2021 national budget has set aside ZWL7 billion to recruit more health personnel, procure PPEs, testing kits and sundries required 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 31 August 2021, a total of 2 582 705 Zimbabweans had been inoculated.



TOTALS



THIS WEEK 24 AUGUST 2021



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

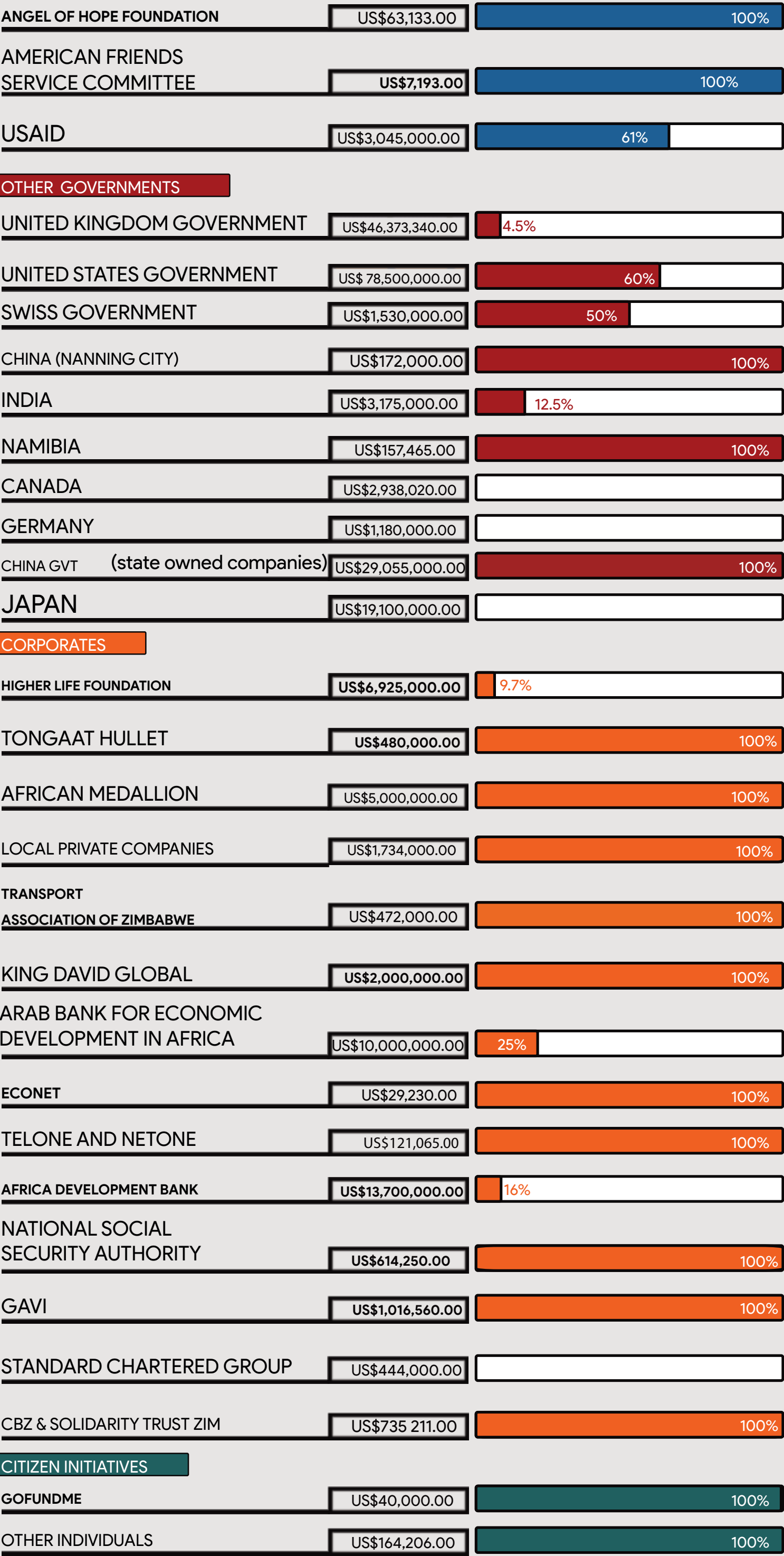
SOUTH KOREA EMBASSY	US\$300,000.00	100%
INDIAN EMBASSY	US\$350 000.00	100%
CHINESE EMBASSY	US\$500,000.00	100%
SWEDISH EMBASSY	US\$25,000.00	100%

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

- Cases of fraud where vaccination cards are being sold to unvaccinated people are on the rise. This has been recorded in Chitungwiza, Marondera and Gutu among other areas. In Gutu alone, at Cheshuro Rural Health Centre, 250 COVID-19 vaccination cards went missing. This comes against a backdrop of the “alleged” forced vaccination of citizens by the government. This presents a fraud risk as citizens jostle for access to social and economic services and may undermine the government’s efforts to combat the pandemic and to achieve herd immunity.
- ZUPCO buses and commuter omnibuses registered under ZUPCO remain the only permitted mode of public transport. This monopolisation of the public transport system has led to high demand and overcrowding in queues and buses as the number of buses does not meet the demand.
- The reopening of schools, brings with it more commuters who rely on an already over populated and underfunded public transport system. Thus, ZUPCO busses and pick-up points remain a cause for concern as they pose a health hazard and potential COVID-19 super spreader especially to unvaccinated minors.
- Communication regarding COVID-19 remains important. While many COVID-19 measures, protocols and announcements are announced on radio and TV, those who use sign language are often left out. It us also alleged that vaccination sites across the country are not disability friendly.
- As Zimbabwe continues to grapple with effects of COVID-19 pandemic, ZIMCODD notes with concern the government’s failure to prioritize social protection mechanisms to cushion the vulnerable against a staggering ZWL\$4,517 food poverty line for one person (August 2021).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- The Zimbabwe Anti-Corruption Commission and the Zimbabwe Republic Police must be hands on investing all cases of fraud and bring perpetrators to book.
- The Government needs to open up the playing field to other regulated public transport service providers, as it does not have adequate, efficient and road worthy ZUPCO buses to accommodate the masses who rely on public transport. There is also need to ensure that buses are only carrying the stipulated number of passengers as this not only poses a risk in COVID-19 infections but it is also a hazard to the passengers and other motorists on the road.
- Effective communication must be prioritised. It is important that government comes up with a disability inclusion vaccination plan that includes sign language and disability friendly vaccination sites.
- As the country prepares for the 2022 national budget, there is need to ensure that allocation to social sectors is prioritized and adequately budgeted for. The government should follow in letter and spirit, the allocation of a portion of the SDR to social sectors as indicated by the Finance Minister.