



# COVID-19 RESOURCE TRACKER

## OVERVIEW

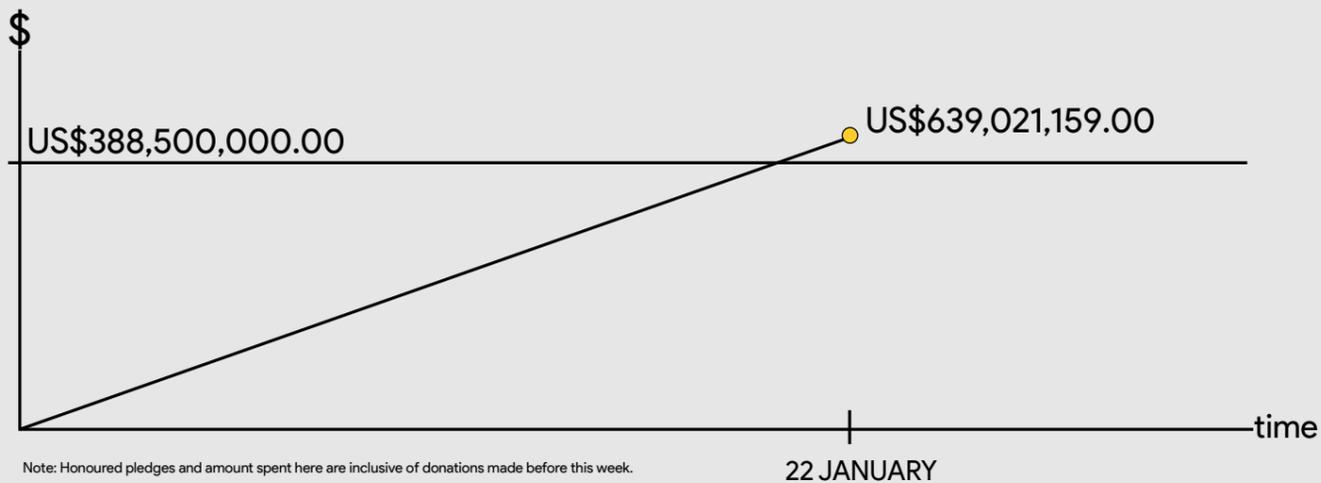
The second wave of COVID-19 is hitting hard in the country with a spike in infection and death cases. Zimbabwe like other countries, has continued to put in place measures to curtail the spread of COVID-19 and to avert the effects of the pandemic on the economy and its citizens. As such, from the 5th of January 2021, Zimbabwe entered into a 30-day level 4 lockdown, to curb the spread of the pandemic. Zimbabwe continues to mobilise resources internally and externally to respond to the devastating socioeconomic effects of COVID-19 in the best way possible. 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 the informal sector, returning residents and children living in the streets. The COVID-19 resources tracker is a ZIMCODD initiative to keep track of all resources pledged, received and utilised 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 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	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\$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	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  
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ANGEL OF HOPE FOUNDATION US\$63,133.00 100%

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE US\$7,193.00 100%

USAID US\$3,045,000.00 61%

**OTHER GOVERNMENTS**

UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT US\$46,373,340.00 4.5%

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT US\$ 78,500,000.00 60%

SWISS GOVERNMENT US\$1,530,000.00 50%

CHINA (NANNING CITY) US\$172,000.00 100%

INDIA US\$400,000.00 100%

NAMIBIA US\$157,465.00 100%

CANADA US\$2,938,020.00

GERMANY US\$1,180,000.00

CHINA GVT (state owned companies) US\$55,000.00 100%

JAPAN US\$19,100,000.00

**CORPORATES**

HIGHER LIFE FOUNDATION US\$6,925,000.00 9.7%

TONGAAT HULLET US\$480,000.00 100%

AFRICAN MEDALLION US\$5,000,000.00 100%

LOCAL PRIVATE COMPANIES US\$1,734,000.00 100%

TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION OF ZIMBABWE US\$472,000.00

KING DAVID GLOBAL US\$2,000,000.00 100%

ARAB BANK FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA US\$10,000,000.00 25%

ECONET US\$29,230.00 100%

TELONE AND NETONE US\$121,065.00

AFRICA DEVELOPMENT BANK US\$13,700,000.00 16%

NATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY AUTHORITY US\$614,250.00 100%

GAVI US\$1,016,560.00 100%

STANDARD CHARTERED GROUP US\$444,000.00

CBZ & SOLIDARITY TRUST ZIM US\$735 211.00 100%

**CITIZEN INITIATIVES**

GOFUNDME US\$40,000.00 100%

OTHER INDIVIDUALS US\$164,206.00 100%

**MAJOR CONCERNS**

- Given that COVID-19 is still the biggest health crisis facing the country with threatening social and economic impacts, citizens are concerned that very little has been done on neither disseminating information on the new strain of COVID-19 nor on testing for the new strain which emanated from South Africa. Zimbabweans bemoan the reactive nature of the government in its COVID-19 response mechanisms.
- Despite Zimbabwe's resource mobilisation efforts to tackle the challenges brought about in the education sector as a result of the pandemic, little has been done to ensure that learners in public schools continue with their education during the nationwide lockdown. It remains worrisome to note that the majority of the learners have not attended school for approximately 10 months, since the initial lockdown was implemented.
- With the rising COVID-19 infection and death rates since the onset of the second wave of the pandemic, citizens bemoan the infrastructural decay and lack of basic supplies at public health institutions. Limited COVID-19 testing in public health institutions across Zimbabwe remains worrying and citizens have been left at the mercy of private health institutions who are charging prohibitive fees for both rapid and PCR tests.
- The national lockdowns have led to a disruption of economic activities and livelihoods resulting in increased poverty and vulnerability. While the government is commended for allocating zwl3.5billion to cushion the vulnerable, the distribution of Covid19 relief funds, the stringent conditions and lack of accountability remain a cause for concern.

**RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT**

- A fundamental pillar in containing the spread of COVID-19 is for people to have accurate information about the virus, it is therefore imperative for the government to be proactive and keep citizens informed and aware of new developments regarding the pandemic, especially with the COVID-19 vaccine that is being rolled out amidst reports of a new COVID-19 strain.
- The government must prioritise funding for development and institutionalisation of an effective home-learning system for all learners, starting with the most vulnerable.
- The need for an urgent and comprehensive response to address the infrastructural inadequacies in the public health service delivery system remains central in flattening the curve. The government should prioritise refurbishment of public health institutions, procurement of necessary testing and treatment facilities so as to provide equal access to healthcare by all.
- All COVID-19 relief funds should be accompanied by clear access and distribution framework. The International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) guidelines for enhancing efficiency of social safety nets should be adopted.
- Of importance in restoring public confidence and trust in the government's COVID-19 relief funds, distribution of the funds should be supported by regular public feedback on how the funds are being rolled out.



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