

COVID-19 RESOURCE TRACKER

OVERVIEW

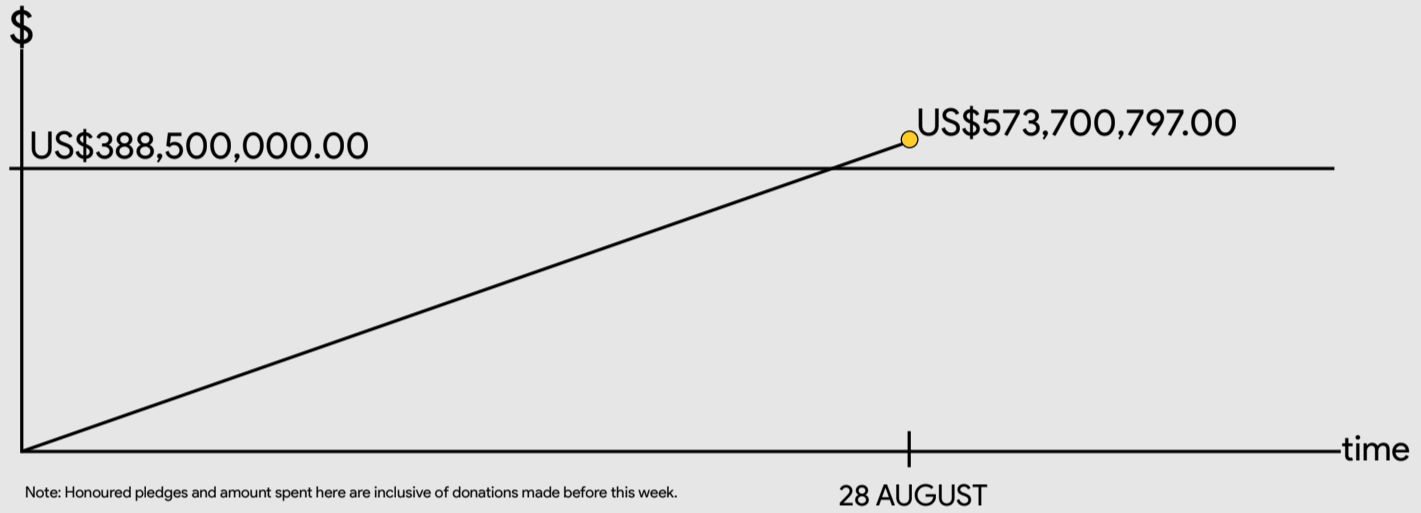
Zimbabwe has been trying to mobilise resources to respond in the best way possible to the devastating social and economic effects of corona virus. The Zimbabwe COVID-19 resource tracker is a civil society initiative by ZIMCODD to keep track of all resources pledged, received and utilised by the government 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%
DISASTER FUND	US\$4,850,288.00	
ZIMFUND	US\$1,087.00	100%

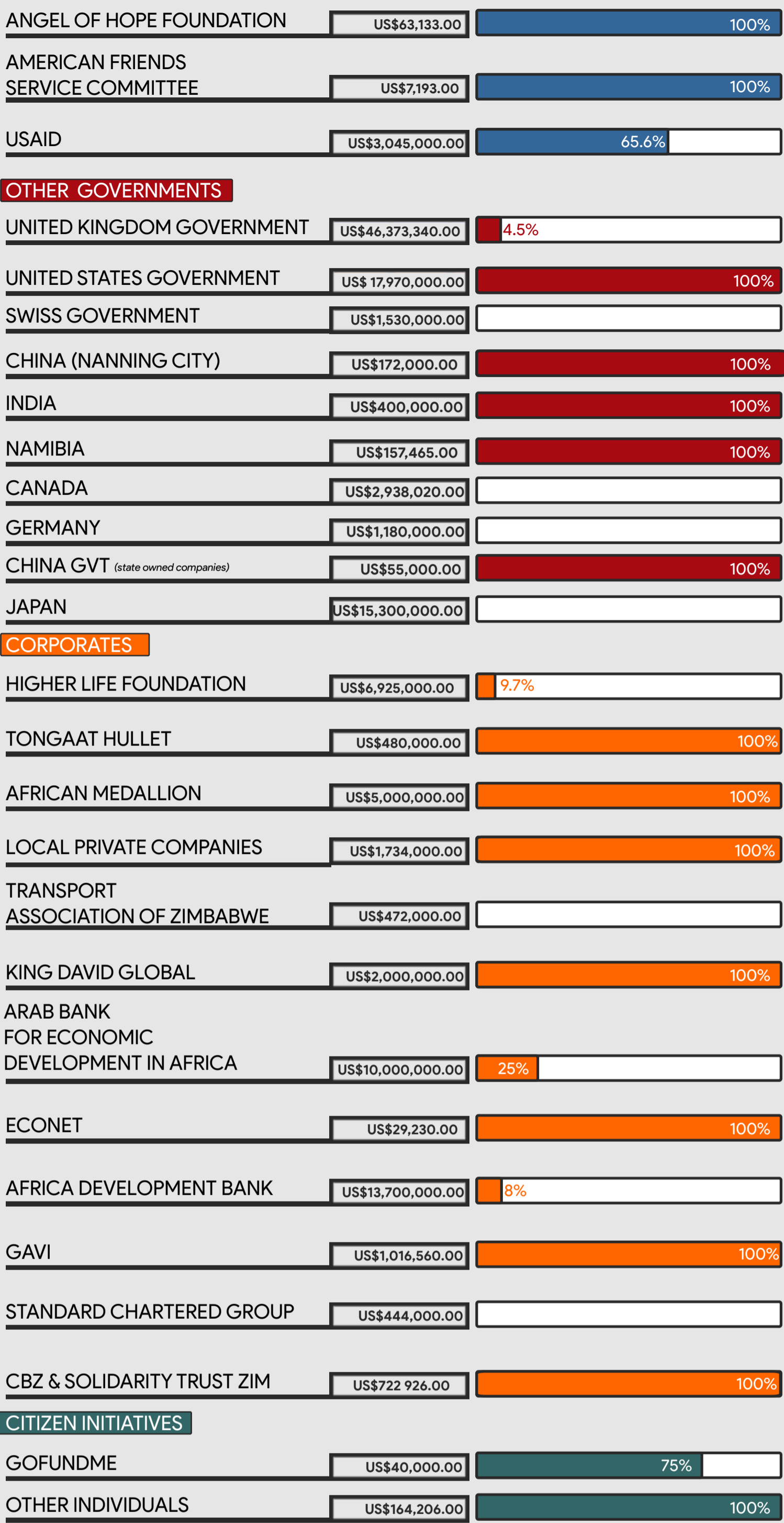
EMBASSIES

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	70%

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

- The poor management and embezzlement of COVID-19 funds through procurement and other nefarious means has undermined the government's capacity to allocate resources effectively and deliver public services.
- This has caused unbearable suffering for citizens who have not yet received cushioning for the vulnerable (ZWL\$200 million under the social protection and cash transfers) promised by the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development in the 30 March 2020 Press statement.
- The deplorable state of public service delivery in Zimbabwe is a cause for concern in the COVID-19 context. The crippled public health sector, lack of availability of safe and clean water and deplorable sanitation infrastructure is exposing citizens to more infectious diseases.
- Citizens bemoan the lack of integrity, transparency and accountability in COVID-19 resource allocation and expenditure at both central and local government level which has been the breeding ground for corruption, resource leakages, abuses and mismanagement of COVID-19 earmarked resources.
- Citizens are concerned about the incapacity of health institutions to manage COVID-19, shortages of PPEs poorly located and under resourced quarantine centres which is further exposing citizens to contracting the novel virus.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT

- Strengthen oversight and accountability institutions and anticorruption agencies to alleviate the abuse of COVID-19 earmarked resources.
- To prioritise effective public service delivery as it plays a greater role in protecting citizens from the deadly coronavirus. This will ensure that citizens' right to quality healthcare, safe and portable water are guaranteed.
- Drawing lessons from South Africa, the government must disclose and publish all the beneficial owners of the companies that won COVID-19 related contracts in order to track down on corruption.
- Government to publish all COVID-19 funds received to date including a clear breakdown of allocations, disbursements and outstanding pledges.
- Resuscitate and reform the health service delivery system to address the capacity, equipment and infrastructure gaps in the health sector. Personal protective equipment should be prioritised for frontline workers.



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