

**ChildFund International  
Humanitarian Situation Report Template**

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**COVID-19 – Zambia**

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Part 1: The Overall Situation

COUNTRY

|  |                  |                             |
|--|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total Number of COVID-19 Cases Reported  | Number of Deaths | Number of Cases Recuperated |
| <b>12</b>  | <b>00</b>        | <b>00</b>                   |
| SOURCE:<br><a href="https://www.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6">https://www.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6</a> |                  |                             |

ChildFund-supported areas (Provide only if you have reliable data on this. You can report on a consolidated basis or by program state/region/province/etc. if you have this detail.)

| Geographical area (country or state/region/province)  | Total Number of COVID19 Cases Reported | Number of Deaths | Number of Cases Recuperated |
|---|--|------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Lusaka Province</b>  | <b>12</b>                              | <b>00</b>        | <b>00</b>                   |
|   |  |                  |                             |
| SOURCE: Presidential Statement, Minster of Health Press Statements and Zambia National Public Health Institute COVID-19 Situational Reports |  |                  |                             |

- Any relevant background information about areas affected.  
The **Zambian government confirmed the outbreak of COVID-19 in Zambia on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020 with two confirmed cases. The number increased to three (3) on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 and escalated to 12 on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Eleven of the twelve cases concerns returning Zambians who travelled to affected countries while one person was infected in-country.**
- Host government posture: Have they declared a state of emergency and/or requested outside assistance? Which nationwide measures has the government taken, e.g., limitation on meetings, internal travel, school closures etc.  
The **Zambian government closed all schools, colleges and Universities as of 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The government also limited the hours of church service to one (1) hour with smaller groups of congregants. All bars, night clubs, cinemas, gyms and casinos have been closed. The government also banned large gatherings such as workshops, weddings and funerals or any event that may pull a large crowd of people above 50. Restaurants are operating on take-away and delivery basis.**

- What responses has the government put into place to address the health crisis and/or the economic impact?

Two centers in Lusaka have been set up for testing. Two quarantine centers have been established in Lusaka as well as one in each boarder district and each provincial center. The boarders are still open for now. To date the government has argued that closing the boarders will negatively impact the economy and the people given that Zambia is a landlocked country.

What travel restrictions has the government put in place for travelers entering the country? Government has suspended all none-essential foreign travel. Travelers entering the country without symptoms should be quarantined for at least 14 days at their own cost.

Part 2: The Situation in Areas Where ChildFund Works

| Partner Organization (Use Salesforce identifying code/name.) | # of Enrolled and Sponsored Children |          | COVID19 Cases Reported in ChildFund Communities (Y/N/Unknown) Provide number if available. | Number of Enrolled Children Reported with COVID19 (If available.) | Number of enrolled children diseased as result of COVID19 |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------|--|---|---|
|  | Sponsored                            | Enrolled |  |   |   |
| <b>Chibombo Child Development Agency</b>                     | 2,959                                | 4,472    | 00   | 00  | 00  |
| <b>Chongwe Child Development Agency</b>                      | 3,627                                | 5,944    | 00   | 00  | 00  |
| <b>Kafue Child Development Agency</b>                        | 3,936                                | 5,794    | 00   | 00  | 00  |
| <b>Luangwa Child Development agency</b>                      | 3,493                                | 5,822    | 00   | 00  | 00  |
| <b>Lusaka Child Development Agency</b>                       | 1,489                                | 2,173    | 00   | 00  | 00  |
| <b>Mumbwa Child Development Agency</b>                       | 3,131                                | 4,537    | 00   | 00  | 00  |

Child deaths: List any sponsored child (with Partner organization and child ID from salesforce) diseased as a result of COVID19. (Note: These need to be reported immediately following the regular sponsorship protocols.)

| Partner Organization (Use Salesforce identifying code/name.) | What is the status of the program/sponsorship processes (operational/suspended)? |           |             |                            |                           |             |
|--|--|-----------|-------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
|  | Program Implementation   | CVS       | M&E Level 2 | Enrollment /Disaffiliation | Sponsorship Communication | DFC         |
| <b>Chibombo</b>  | Operation  | Suspended | Suspended   | Operational                | Operational               | Operational |
| <b>Chongwe</b>   | Operation  | Suspended | Suspended   | Operational                | Operational               | Operational |
| <b>Kafue</b>   | Operation  | Suspended | Suspended   | Operational                | Operational               | Operational |
| <b>Luangwa</b>   | Operation  | Suspended | Suspended   | Operational                | Operational               | Operational |
| <b>Lusaka</b>  | Operation  | Suspended | Suspended   | Operational                | Operational               | Operational |
| <b>Mumbwa</b>  | Operation  | Suspended | Suspended   | Operational                | Operational               | Operational |

Note: As a global measure, all sponsor visits have been suspended.

- What issues are children in these areas facing (food shortages, safety concerns, school closure, etc.)?  
All schools were closed as of March 20, 2020.
- Child protection risks caused or exacerbated by crisis situation.
- Most children are worried of the risk of contracting COVID 19

### **Part 3: ChildFund's Response**

- i. Who is or will be leading/managing the response?

The CD with support from the COVID 19 Task Force that has been put in place

- ii. Planned, desired or ongoing response – inside or outside current operational areas.

Mounted community sensitizations in all operational areas & putting up of posters and distributing fliers on COVID-19 in local languages.

- iii. Who are we partnering or collaborating with to provide our response?

National and District level government agencies especially Ministry of Health and Zambia Information Services

- iv. What kind of response activities or interventions are being provided? What support items are needed or have been collected/distributed? How is ChildFund linked with humanitarian coordination structures, i.e., in which clusters or working groups do we participate? The most recent/next meeting and who is representing ChildFund? Donor meetings we have attended, or missions that we are aware of related to the response?

ChildFund is part of the National Education Working Group. The working group is composed of all INGOs and Local NGOs working in the Education sub-sector such as Save The Children, Plan International, World Vision. The platform also includes UN agencies such as UNICEF, WHO, WFP, UNESCO and other agencies such as USAID. These meeting are attended by the Education Technical Manager. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and will explore how the children will be supported to continue learning for the next eight weeks during the time that schools will be closed due to COVID-19.

- v. Next steps

ChildFund is working with its six LPs to support community sensitizations in all the ten operational districts in collaboration with Ministry of Health and Zambian Information Services.

- vi. For sitreps submitted after ChildFund response has been initiated, what is the current progress of implementation vs. the established response plan?

This is our initial report. Progress will be addressed in the next report.

**Below Sections for Internal Use Only**

**Part 4: Office and Staff Status**

| Office Status<br>(Open/Closed) | Number of Staff:          |                             |                        |                      |                     |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
|                                | Diagnosed with<br>COVID19 | Diseased<br>from<br>COVID19 | Working from<br>Office | Working from<br>Home | On Special<br>Leave |
| Open                           | 00                        | 00                          | 48                     | 01                   | 00                  |

Notes:

- Any cases of staff diseased need to be reported immediately to RD and GHR.
- Special leave as per [COVID19 Administrative Guidelines](#).

Number of staff/partner organization staff completed WHO COVID online training  
<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/training/online-training>.

**Part 5 Human Resources**

- Which visitors are there in the country? Please include names, functions, contact information and arrival/departure dates for both IO and RO staff (note: due to the travel ban, this will apply only once the ban has been lifted)  
None.
- Any gaps in staffing/need for deployment from other COs or Global Teams?  
None for now.
- Are there any other major HR issues?  
None for now

**Part 6 Safety & Security**

- Are police and other services functioning in the normal manner?  
Yes.
- Are the courts still operating?  
Yes
- Are there reports of looting or increased criminality?  
No
- Have military personal being deployed to patrol towns or cities?  
No
- Confirm the safety of staff and their families in the affected area.  
All our staff members are safe as of today.
- Have Safety and security risks/mitigation plans been updated to current environment?  
Yes.
- Recommendations around any upcoming travel planned for staff or donors (note: Only once global travel ban has been lifted)  
No unnecessary field travels. Only travels sanctioned by the Department Lead.

**Part 7 Grants**

List all active grants:

| Grant Job Code | Grant Name                | Donor                               | Status of Implementation (Normal/Reduced/Suspended) | Any specific guidance received from donor? (Yes/No) |
|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| 12-0383D       | Cfger-Cfs3-Zam            |                                     | Reduced   |   |
| 2-0357D        | Ire- Kakonge prjct- Zam   | Irish embassy                       | Normal  | No  |
| 25-040D        | Hilton- Multi Co Ecd- Zam | Conrad Hilton Foundation            | Suspended   | Yes   |
| 25-054D        | Gcf/Pg-Safe H2O P2- Zam   | P & G                               | Suspended   | No  |
| 3-0375D        | Unicef- Cbiedcd P2- Zam   | UNICEF                              | Suspended   | Yes   |
| 99-0243D       | Chaz- Ftec- Zam           | CHAZ (Church Association of Zambia) | Suspended   | No  |

Government has suspended gatherings until further notice, and some of our grants have activities that require Community gatherings.

**Part 8 Funding**

Provide information about potential sources of funding, including grant donors, subsidy, Emergency Action Fund, Alliance members, GIK, etc., for these emergency response efforts using the chart below:

| Donor                 | Program        | Amount (USD)    | Requested? (Y/N) | Confirmed? (Y/N) |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|
| <u>CHILDFUND</u>      | <u>PEF</u>     | <u>\$5,000</u>  | <u>Y</u>         | <u>Y</u>         |
| <u>CONRALD HILTON</u> | <u>ECD</u>     | <u>\$3,000</u>  | <u>Y</u>         | <u>N</u>         |
|                       |                |                 |                  |                  |
| <u>CHILDFUND</u>      | <u>SUBSIDY</u> | <u>\$15,000</u> | <u>N</u>         | <u>N</u>         |

- Budget
  - **Outline how we will use this funding with a rough topline budget.**  
 The main interventions are being planned around community sensitization materials, printing and distribution of IEC materials, Public address announcements through the Zambia News & Information services.  
 Other planned activities are to create community response mechanism that will link the affected individuals in the communities to health centers for immediate assistance

### Part 9 Media/Communications

- List of media who will be or have been contacted with press releases.

Zambia National Broadcasting Co-operation, Zambia Daily Mail, Times of Zambia, One Love Radio, NGO news

- List of emergency CO spokespeople, including name, location, contact information, and languages spoken.

Simba Machingaidze -The Country Director (0977173992)- Lusaka- English  
Harriet Chewe- Human Resource Manager (0977760715)- Lusaka- English  
Priscilla Chama- Communications Manager (0977450009) – Lusaka- English  
Godwin Nsofu-Partnership Portfolio Specialist (0966748729)-Lusaka- English

- Plans for collecting photos/videos/stories, e.g., should an outside photographer be hired?

We are planning to collect these from our LPs that are doing sensitizations as regards the preventive measures. No plan to hire outside photographer. We will take photos internally.

- Key points for messaging and visibility, particularly any host-government sensibilities that must be considered.

For now, Government has produced IEC materials and translated them in different languages for use during the sensitizations. We will reproduce these when the need arises. We will focus on the press releases and other programs on community radio stations. We will follow MOH guidelines on messaging.

- Support needed or requested from IO, GSS or Global Teams – whether onsite or remote.

None for now