



# Humanity First Switzerland

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# Mission Statement

Humanity First is a charity established to promote and safeguard human life and dignity. It is a non-political, non-religious, non-sectarian international relief and development agency that works with the world's poorest and most vulnerable people. Humanity First was established in 1995, and now has registered operations in more than 50 countries and projects in many more. Most of our aid workers and the management of Humanity First are unpaid volunteers and our administrative expenses are negligible. We are able to deliver significantly more aid value in the field from the funds we raise through volunteers, collaboration and global sourcing.



<b>Community Care</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries</b>	<b>62,839</b>
<b>Food Security</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries</b>	<b>2,593,841</b>
<b>Meals Provided over Covid Period</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries</b>	<b>10,200,000</b>
<b>Knowledge for Life Schools-43</b>	<b>Number of children supported at school to date</b>	<b>220,496</b>
<b>Training Centres- 33</b>	<b>Graduates from vocational training</b>	<b>67,499</b>
<b>Hospitals &amp; Clinics</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Medical Camps</b>	<b>Number of centers</b>	<b>505</b>
<b>Medical services</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries</b>	<b>460,537</b>
<b>Gift of Sight</b>	<b>Number of operations</b>	<b>39,696</b>
<b>Water for Life</b>	<b>Number of wells/pumps</b>	<b>3,622</b>
<b>Water for Life (Beneficiaries daily)</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries daily</b>	<b>4,558,797</b>
<b>Orphan Care</b>	<b>Number of orphans in assisted</b>	<b>6,749</b>
<b>Disaster Responded to 158</b>	<b>Number of beneficiaries</b>	<b>2,059,266</b>

## Humanity First Switzerland projects

Humanity First Switzerland has been supporting projects in Zimbabwe and other African countries.





## 1. Food Security

Zimbabwe has faced severe economic conditions since 2000, struggling to even feed its population. There are continued economic challenges due to inflation and there has been little progress due to international sanctions. Long-term droughts have had a huge impact on

harvests affecting the vast population in the rural areas who solely rely on agriculture. Food and commodities were distributed to nearly 800 vulnerable (elderly people, widows, orphans and destitute) and poor families in rural communities of Zimbabwe - 78000 meals.

## 2. Water for Life

In many African countries people face challenges to improve water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH). HF supports to installation and/or repair of water pumps, hand pumps, bore holes and water wells to provide clean drinking water in remote villages and poor communities.

One well was bored in Ilorin, Nigeria and one well was repaired in the suburbs of Harare, Zimbabwe, which serve over 500 families.

Two wells are being supported to be bored, one each in Chwiti, and Glen Norah, Zimbabwe, which will benefit over 1000 people. Women walk up to 40 minutes to fetch water for drinking and daily use in Chwiti.





### 3. Disaster Relief

Cyclone Idai affected a part of Zimbabwe in 2019 and many families were affected. This area is about five hours drive from Harare. Commodities and food were distributed - two weeks ration to 250 families in Zimbabwe affected in the Cyclone Idai equivalent to about 50,000 meals.



### 4. Gift of Sight

Zimbabwe has over one million blind people. HF Switzerland collaborated with the Council for the Blind in Zimbabwe to support an eye camp at Chivi District Hospital, which is over 300 kilometers away from the capital Harare. Provisions and supplies were prepared to perform 100 cataract surgeries. Around 100 blind people were identified and registered for the eye camp from the surrounding communities and towns, but in some surgery

couldn't be performed due to some pre-existing problem identified by ophthalmologists. 71 cataract surgeries were conducted successfully over a period of two days. HF Switzerland is raising funds to support more eye camps.





## 5. Learn a skill and community support

In order to help income generation and skill development, six new manual Singer sewing machines were donated to establish two sewing training and arts and craft centers, one in Glen Norah with three sewing machines and another in Chiwiti with three sewing machines. This helped train women to improve their livelihood. Experienced ladies trained other girls and women in sewing and other crafts in these centers.

## 6. Global Health

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected rich and poor countries alike, but unfortunately poor communities all over the world continue to suffer tremendous hardships due to enforced lockdowns to control the spread of disease. Zimbabwe is no exception and poor people are facing incredible adversities.

Food was distributed to more than 665 families with about 3400 members, equivalent to about 77,700 meals. The volunteers spend more than 231 hour doing voluntary work and they travelled more than 800 km to distribute food in poor communities which included Glen-Norah, Trelawney, Murombedzi and Chiwiti.





### **Distribution of face masks**

Volunteer women working in the sewing centers established under community support have made over 700 cloth masks with three layers, which have been distributed to the needy people. More are being made.

### **Distribution of COVID information pamphlets**

Three thousand pamphlets to promote prevention and protection from COVID prepared in local languages have been distributed in the various communities to inform the people on how to protect themselves.

### **Assistance during COVID in Switzerland**

Over 80 volunteers helped about 400 vulnerable people and asylum seekers either through food donation, help with shopping and assistance in other ways in several cities and towns in Switzerland. Approximately 150 hours for online dissemination of WHO guidance, technical updates; and educational material and messages for health and safety during this pandemic crisis.



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