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Project Title- Multisector emergency intervention for vulnerable Zimbabweans affected by climatic shocks and socioeconomic crisis	
Objective of the Project: Supporting the health system to reduce the risk of hospital-associated infections and to enhance infection prevention and control (IPC) through improvement of critical WASH facilities and also enabling at risk communities to use COVID-19 protection and prevention measures	
Project Start: 15 February 2020 Project End: 14 February 2021	Project Location: Chiredzi and Mutare
Implementing Partner(s): ACF and NAZ	Donor: EU Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO) funded initiative
Project Budget: USD284,177.70	Program Staff on the Project: Agrippa Chingono: Programme Manager Witness M. Nkomo: MEAL Officer Ngoni C Chirindo : WASH Engineer Beauty Dzingirai: Hygiene Promotion Officer Morgan Haiza: Hygiene Promotion Officer
Project Beneficiaries: Overall- 46 000 Male- 14 580 Female- 31 420	Key Government/Local Authority Departments Involved: Respective City/Town Councils, PWSSCs, Public Works Departments and DWSSCs for Chiredzi and Mutare, City/Town Health Departments, District Medical Officers (DMOs)

Project Targets and Achievements

Activity	Target	Actual	% Achievement	Comments
Number of local leaders trained	40	43	108%	Local leaders were trained on IPC at the beginning of the project. (31M; 12F)
Number of community health workers active in disseminating messages	100	30	30%	There were multiple partners implementing similar projects with the same CBF and target could not be met. (6M;24F)
Number of HCF WASH assessments conducted	4	7	175%	As there were a number of facilities earmarked for Covid 19 Isolation centres, all the earmarked facilities were assessed, surpassing the set target of 2 each for Mutare and Chiredzi.
Number of health facilities rehabilitated	4	3	75%	WASH related rehabilitation works at Mutare Provincial Hospital, Chiredzi Poly Clinic and Chiredzi General Hospital COVID 19 Isolation Centres were completed. These included re-partitioning of some rooms to meet WASH requirements at Mutare Provincial and Chiredzi Poly. At Chiredzi General, a Borehole was drilled and equipped with solar pumping equipment but at the very end, the water could not be connected to the Isolation Centre's system owing to some by-laws cited by the Public works team. The incinerator earmarked for Mutare Infectious Diseases Hospital could not take off due to



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				prolonged discussions around the design, and was then moved to Sakubva District Hospital and is expected to be completed during the first quarter of 2021.
Number of HCF staff trained on COVID-19 IPC	80	103	129%	Being front liners in the fight against the COVID 19 pandemic, Health Care staff received training on COVID 19 Infection, Prevention and Control as well as how to remove anger, fear, anxiety and how to protect themselves during this COVID 19 pandemic. (40M; 63F)
Number of EHTs trained on water quality monitoring	20	20	100%	To update the skills of Environmental Health Technicians, who are responsible for water quality monitoring, trainings were conducted in both Chiredzi and Mutare which included theory and practical sessions, where actual collection of samples, laboratory analysis and finally the interpretation of laboratory results were done.
Percentage of water collection points tested monthly	80	100	120%	Following the training of EHTs, action plans were drawn, which included mapping or water points from which samples were to be collected. A target of 80% was set and the EHTs managed to collect samples from all points. Water points found to be contaminated in July 2020 Chiredzi were attended to and by September 2020, the water was safe.
Number of returnees in COVID-19 quarantine centres receiving WASH NFI kits	600	288	48%	One of the behaviours communities had to adopt in order to reduce the risk of contracting and/or spreading the COVID 19 virus was handwashing. Further to creating awareness on the need to regularly wash hands, the intervention had a component of Distributing Hygiene kits to anticipated returnees in Chiredzi and Mutare's quarantine centres. As there were no returnees being housed in the centres when the kits were procured, a change in approach were adopted during the month of December 2020 with individuals admitted at the respective general hospitals, meeting set vulnerability criteria becoming eligible. (46M; 242F)
Number of methods used to disseminate hygiene promotion messaging	3	3	100%	With various COVID 19 containment measures being put in place, including movement restrictions, the intervention had to employ strategies which would allow for dissemination of messages to the communities. This was done through Posters that were placed in public places, Public hailing/Road shows and through Radio (Diamond FM).



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Pictures

Before



After



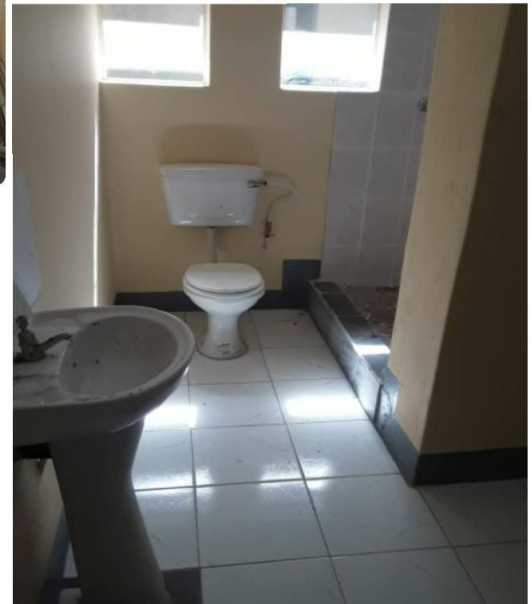
Urinal converted to a 2-compartment shower for patients at Mutare Provincial Hospital.

Empty room converted to combined toilet/shower for staff at Mutare Provincial Hospital.



Before

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Additional Storage Tank at Chiredzi Poly Clinic to boost water storage capacity at the Health Care Facility.

Hygiene Promotion through public hailing by Mutare City Council Health Promotion Officer.

