



# Crisis Response Project Report

## Purpose of the Project

Since November 2019, the people of Tanzania have been facing a multiplicity of challenges. Massive and unusual rainfalls have destroyed harvests and led to flooding in April 2020. The worldwide Corona crisis has also led to a temporary shutdown of schools and businesses in April 2020. The precarious socio-economic and housing situation of Good Hope's students and their families leads to a high risk of exposure to the virus; and hence, it influences the well-being of the students and community we serve.

As Good Hope has become an important center for support and advice in the community of Majengo, many families approached us, asking for help in these difficult times. While Good Hope has kept its classrooms closed during lockdown, we responded to the urgent need for basic support and crisis prevention in the community. The purpose of the Crisis Response Project is to ensure the safety and well-being of our students in times of unprecedented national crisis.

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## Who Received Support?

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We focused the Crisis Response Project specifically towards the students of Good Hope who are in our Stepping Stone Program: either in the on-site schooling or a sponsorship program. In order to ensure safety and well-being, it was necessary to provide support to the entire household of the students who were affected. We have also provided support to the few people in our social work program who are affected by sickness and absolute poverty.

We have provided 54 students, patients, and their families with support. In total, the Crisis Response Project has provided 221 people with crisis aid.

## Flood Response

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On April 21, a flood hit the community surrounding Good Hope. Homes were broken apart and devastated by flood water and rivers of mud. Five of our students and their families faced unexpected homelessness and indigence.

With the combination of a natural disaster and the high risk for infection from Coronavirus, Good Hope acted swiftly to provide each one of those five families in dire need with a temporary emergency shelter, utilizing the closed classrooms and office to keep them safe.

The families stayed at Good Hope for 2-4 weeks, until they were able to mobilize financial and social resources and find new homes. The families received immediate basic living provisions, including food, blankets and mattresses, along with Corona-protection items.



## Corona Response

First reports of Corona cases in Tanzania reached us in March, and soon the first case of Corona was also reported in Good Hope's neighborhood. All our students come from marginalized families whose precarious living situations have increased drastically due to the recent economic challenges. Although the lockdown suggested a quarantine for our students, their families had to continue going to markets and doing petty jobs in order to survive. Our students often live in cramped housing on shared compounds, where up to ten families share bathrooms and water access. This leads to an extremely high risk toward Corona since physical distancing is nearly impossible, considering these unstable living conditions. During crisis time, our students were also at risk for exposure to psychosocial stress, due to the immense economic insecurity and crowded living conditions. In accordance with WHO guidelines, Good Hope took great measures to ensure the students' economic and psychological safety as described below:

- **Education, Training, and Counseling:** There had been a lot of misinformation about measures against Corona, such as the suggestion of using insecticides in the hope to kill the virus. Good Hope provided training to all students, patients, and their families concerning hygienic measures, prevention, and course of action with suspected cases.
- **Materials for Protection:** In order to ensure regular and extensive washing of hands, each family has been provided with water buckets, liquid soap, face masks and hand sanitizer, especially for those who are working and/or going to the markets. After the re-opening of Tanzanian schools, each sponsored student had to be provided with additional masks in the school's colors, as part of the school uniform and to adhere to new safety protocol.
- **Food Security:** In this acute pandemic and natural disaster crisis, many families have lost their jobs, which leads to extreme food insecurity. Good Hope provided each family with a one-month food supply, based on household size, of items such as rice, corn, beans, oil, and sugar.

With an average size of **five people**, each family has received approximately the following:

- 1 bucket, 1-liter soap (incl. soap dispenser), 2 hand sanitizers, 6 cotton face masks
- 30 kilo corn, 10 kilo rice, 9 kilo beans, 1 liter oil, ½ kilo sugar

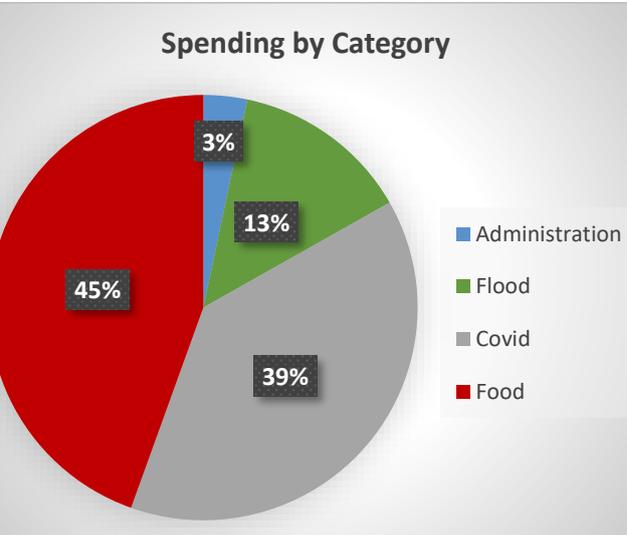


# Donations Received

We have received a total of 9,298,000 TSH; via GoFundMe and an American donor (2,200 USD) and Aktion Vorwärts e.V. (1,800 EUR).

We received also an additional donation from Miriam Tandiko (World Unite!)  
 25 Liters Liquid Soap, 15 Kilo Washing Powder, 25 Kilo Sugar

# Project Spending



Administration Costs (Transportation, Communication, etc.)

Immediate Aid after Flood	50,000
5 Mattresses	1,300,000
5 Blankets	125,000
192 Cotton Face Masks	960,000
84 Face Masks for School	504,000
103 Hand Sanitizers	515,000
0,5 Liter Hand Sanitizer	10,000
49 Liquid Soap Bottles	270,000
20 Liter Liquid Soap	44,000
52 Tap Buckets	1,300,000
490 Kilo Rice	1,225,000
1800 Kilo White Maize	1,800,000
400 Kilo Black Beans	880,000
60 Liter Cooking Oil	240,000
Administration Costs (Transportation, Communication, etc.)	307,000
25 Liters Liquid Soap	Donation
15 Kilo Washing Powder	Donation
25 Kilo Sugar	Donation
<b>SUM</b>	<b>9,530,000 TSH</b>

