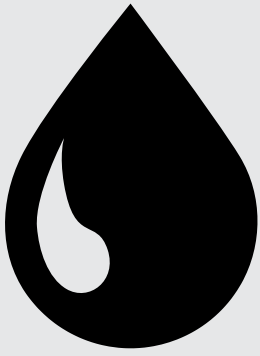


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THE WATER FUND

A specific fund to
provide access to clean
water for families in
rural Zimbabwe

Drought means
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with no choice but to
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FACT

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In Southern Zimbabwe, people continue to face more frequent and more severe droughts. This, along with the devastating drought of 2016 has left this part of the country reeling, with rural Zimbabweans feeling the presence of poverty and food scarcity the most acutely.

Rural women are particularly affected as they are responsible for 80% of agriculture production. Most families can only produce enough food for their families for 7 months of the year – the remaining 5 months are known as the **hungry months**.

THE 5 HUNGRY MONTHS OF DROUGHT DEPRIVES THE RURAL POOR OF FOOD, OF ANIMALS, OF INCOME AND CHILDREN ARE DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL WITH MALNUTRITION.

- **62%** of all Zimbabweans live below the poverty line – This figure is much higher in the rural areas of the south where Trócaire works (Up to 90% in some areas).
- **70%** of Zimbabwe's poor and vulnerable live in the rural areas. Lack of access to clean water means families have to resort to using dirty water, leading to spread of disease particularly in the young and elderly.
- **4 million people** are now struggling to meet basic food needs as a result of the second most recent drought to hit this area.
- Rural Women are particularly affected as they are responsible for approximately **80% of agricultural** production on their homesteads.



THE TARGET

To raise €160,000 over the next three years for drought stricken Matebeland and Masvingo in Southern Zimbabwe to provide:

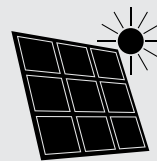
WHAT WE HOPE TO ACHIEVE



7 Boreholes



1 Dam construction



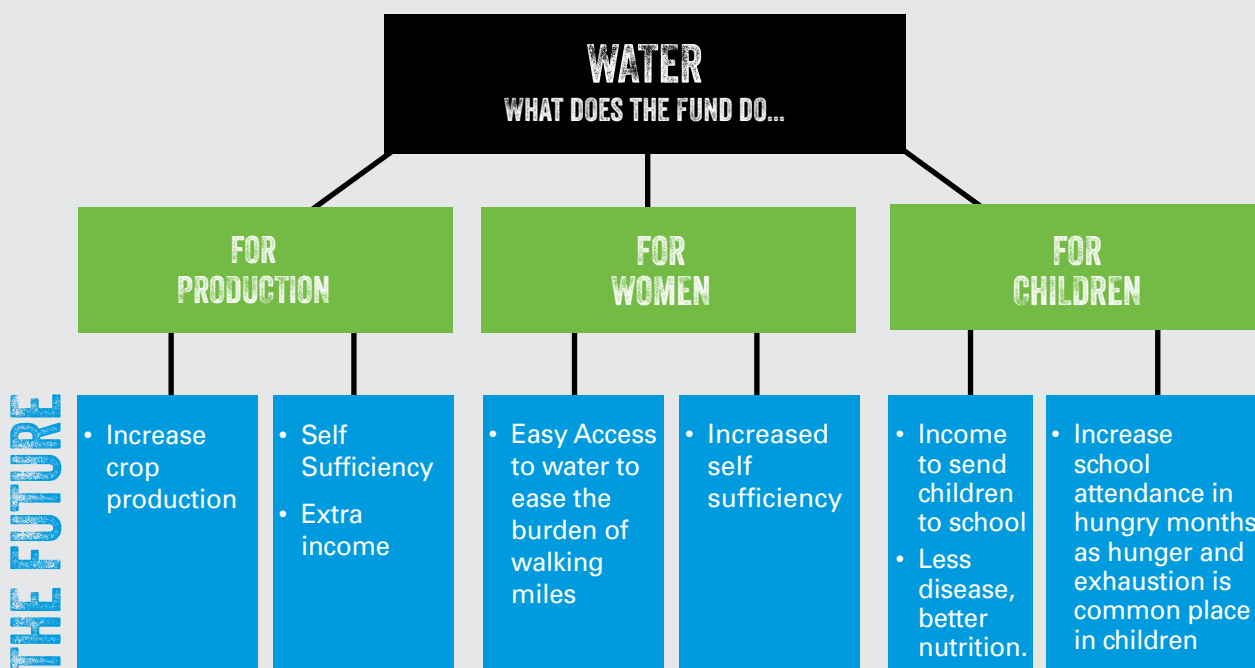
5 Solar powered pumps to take water from river beds to fields and gardens



1500 To receive seeds, tools and training

COST & IMPACT	Target	Cost	Impact	Possible Gifts
	1 Construction of a Dam	€35,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase access to water for agricultural production 1,500 families 	<p>€50,000 will provide 5 solar powered irrigation systems and seeds for 150 farmers</p>
	7 Boreholes and maintenance training	€50,000		
	5 Solar Powered Irrigation Systems	€40,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase crop production and diversification leading to increased income sources for 1,500 families 	<p>€20,000 will provide 8 farm field schools</p>
	8 Farm Field Schools	€20,000		
	150 families drought resistant seeds	€10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction in hunger and increase in nutrition for 3,600 Women and 2,400 Men 	<p>€10,000 will provide seeds to 150 families</p>
600 farmers trained in new practices and access to marketing	€5,000	<p>€5000 will train 600 farmers</p>		

BY SUPPORTING THE WATER FUND - YOUR GIFT CAN BUILD LIVELIHOODS, BY PROVIDING THE BASICS TO ALLOW FAMILIES TO FARM THEIR LAND WITH GREATER PRODUCTIVITY BRINGING REAL CHANGE FOR THE FUTURE



Trócaire's Work in Zimbabwe

WHERE

Trócaire's work is focused primarily in Matebelan South and Masvingo, and in the Eastern Districts of Mutasa and Muare.



Thoselihle (6y) and Anesu (8y), Zimbabwe in the kitchen of their home. Access to water is the essential ingredient to building sustainable livelihoods and food supplies.

OUR WORK

In these areas, we focus on building sustainable livelihoods in a very challenging environment where climate change is leading to recurring drought, food shortages and ongoing poverty.

CAN YOU HELP US?

The Water Fund has been set up to raise **€160,000** in additional funding for Zimbabwe where life is harrowing for those trapped in the cycle of extreme poverty.

We know by providing access to water comes better health, crop production, income opportunity and increased school attendance. We cannot do this without your help.



HOW TO DONATE

NAME:

ADDRESS:

LANDLINE:

MOBILE:

EMAIL:

Yes, I would like to support Trócaire's Water Fund by pledging:

€/£ 5,000 €/£10,000 €/£ 20,000 €/£ 50,000 My own amount €/£

To be spent towards in Zimbabwe or where most needed.

Each year for years (This is not a legally binding pledge, but helps us plan ahead)

As a once off gift

Cheques or Bank Drafts should be made payable to 'Trócaire'. You can send first payment when returning this form if appropriate.

Follow on:

We normally send a yearly update of how your donation is working.

Please let us know if you wish to receive more regular updates or if you do not wish to receive any updates.

Signature:

Date:

Please return completed form (with payment if appropriate) to: Trócaire Head Office, Maynooth, Co. Kildare