

CURE International UK

(CURE UK) is a UK-registered charity and member of the international consortium of Christian organisations and hospitals that is the CURE International Network. CURE's charitable children's hospitals provide world-class surgical services for children with disabilities living in poverty in developing countries. **CURE UK's current focus is supporting CURE Children's Hospital of Zimbabwe through a strategic plan called OPERATION ZIM.**

CURE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF ZIMBABWE

Opened in May 2021, CURE Zimbabwe is the first and only hospital in the country that is dedicated to serve vulnerable children and families through the provision of free orthopaedic, plastic, reconstructive, and rehabilitative care. **With your help, we can ensure that every child in Zimbabwe has access to the life-changing healthcare they desperately need.**

THE NEED: Children with disabilities and their families represent one of the most chronically vulnerable and marginalised populations in Zimbabwe. We estimate that there are around 300,000 Zimbabwean children suffering from such disabilities.

After two successful years of operation, CURE Zimbabwe is expanding its services to reach and help more children. The hospital has seen an increasing number of patients seeking treatment as word spreads about its unique capabilities. *However, the surgical waitlist is growing, currently at 5 months, highlighting the need for immediate and future capacity expansion.* To address this, the hospital is expanding its team of surgical specialists and facilities.

The hospital aims to increase its surgical capacity, enhance infrastructure, and reduce waiting times for children in urgent need of specialised surgical healthcare. The goal is to perform 2,000 paediatric surgical procedures annually within five years.

THE CURE NETWORK

The CURE network is a global non-profit network of charitable children's hospitals in developing countries that provide surgical care in a compassionate, gospel-centred environment. At our eight hospitals, we provide world-class surgical services for children with disabilities living in poverty. We also provide training and support for families, communities, and local healthcare systems to alleviate barriers facing children with disabilities.



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OPERATION ZIM is a strategic plan by CURE UK to support CURE Zimbabwe over the next three years.* Specifically, the plan aims to sponsor 400 surgeries for children in need of specialised surgical care at the hospital.

CURE UK has been a key partner for CURE Zimbabwe since its inception. We and our donors have helped to build, equip and open the hospital. Now, we plan to use this support to fund life-changing paediatric surgeries there.

**FY24-FY26 – 1st July 2023 – 30th June 2026*

GOAL 1 *Life-Changing surgeries for children in Zimbabwe:*

OPERATION ZIM's main goal is to provide surgery sponsorship for 500 children receiving treatment at CURE Zimbabwe.

GOAL 2 *Supporting CURE Zimbabwe to build its capacity:*

A secondary goal to support projects and activities to build the hospital's capacity and also healthcare services in Zimbabwe in general.

GOAL 3 *A strong CURE UK to better support the needs of*

CURE Zimbabwe: Through our strategic focus we can provide more impactful fundraising, communications and project activity, responsibly using charitable funds for improved outcomes for children with disabilities in Zimbabwe.

To achieve its goals, CURE UK will implement its strategic plan, diversify its financial support base, develop impactful campaigns, build partnerships, prioritise funds, provide meaningful communications, advocate for CURE Zimbabwe, and adhere to good governance practices.

CONCLUSION

Overall, CURE International UK, as part of the global CURE network, strives to make a meaningful impact by providing life-changing surgical care to vulnerable children in Zimbabwe and supporting their physical, emotional and spiritual well-being.

Surgical procedures performed at CURE Zimbabwe not only help transform the lives of children by empowering them through increased mobility and functionality, but they also help restore respect and dignity to both the child and their family. As we provide sponsorship for this care available, children and their families can focus on one thing: healing.

Thank you for your continued dedication to our mission; **to heal the sick and proclaim the kingdom of God.** Let us embark on OPERATION ZIM with passion, determination, and an unwavering commitment to changing lives, one surgery at a time.

