



I am happy to share with you the 10th edition of the UNICEF Zimbabwe Newsletter. The focus of the newsletter is on the humanitarian challenges faced by Zimbabwe. Under the leadership of the Ministry of Health and Child Care, UNICEF and partners are responding to the cholera and polio outbreaks. Thanks to the support of our donors encouraging progress has been made. Our humanitarian work continues with the prevailing health emergencies not yet over. The country is now also faced with the consequences of the El Nino creating scarcity of food and water. El Nino reminds us of the importance of tackling the climate challenges, and their impact on children and their rights. UNICEF Zimbabwe's current campaign Invest in Climate, Invest in Children is advocating for more child centred climate investment. As we work hand in hand with the Government to tackle the humanitarian challenges, UNICEF and partners continue to roll-out long-term development programmes to ensure access to basic social services for those most in need, guided by the Province and District Profiles ZIMSTAT and UNICEF recently launched. Happy reading!

Dr Nicholas Alipui



Humanly Possible: It's time for immunization for all



Invest in Climate, Invest in Children

The Climate Crisis is a Child Rights Crisis. UNICEF Zimbabwe launched a campaign on climate to generate awareness on the impact of climate change on children and the need for more child centred climate policies, strategies and investments.



Faith Leaders sign Declaration to fight cholera and polio

In the response to the cholera and polio outbreak, UNICEF works with the Government and partners to mobilize Faith Leaders to promote behaviour that can prevent infection prevention among their constituencies. Faith Leaders signed a Declaration confirming their engagement to fight cholera and polio.



Zimbabwe's drive to vaccinate 4.6 million children polio

In response to the nationwide outbreak Zimbabwe launched with support of UNICEF, WHO and partners a nationwide campaign to interrupt virus transmission. The campaign also targeted children in hard-to-reach places, like the Burma Valley at the border with Mozambique.



Climate Crisis Poses Grave Risks to Children in Eastern and Southern Africa

As a prolonged heatwave and drought grip several countries in Eastern and Southern Africa - including Zimbabwe - UNICEF is sounding the alarm on the dire situation faced by vulnerable communities who are bearing the brunt of climate change, particularly children.



Chiredzi Care Groups protecting children's nutrition from the impact of El Nino

UNICEF is concerned about the impact of El Niño on the population of Zimbabwe. Children are particularly vulnerable. UNICEF and partners work with community care groups to prevent malnutrition among children.



UNICEF Zimbabwe and ZIMSTAT launch Provincial and District Data Profiles

The Provincial and District Data Profiles will serve as a cornerstone for evidence-based decision-making across Government ministries, local authorities, development partners, and the broader Zimbabwean population, and promote policies and programmes aimed at ensuring access to basic services for the most in need, including the most vulnerable children.



Building a dream school for children

As we celebrate the African Union Year of Education in 2024, make a visual journey through a dream school, and discover what a dream school in Zimbabwe consists of, and how UNICEF works with the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education and partners to ensure access to quality and safe education for children.



Remote population is happy with the change Health Resilience Funds is bringing

The Health Resilience Fund strengthens access to primary health care in the most remote places in Zimbabwe, throughout the country. To ensure Universal Health Coverage the Health Resilience Fund rolls out outreach activities that bring health services to the people.



UNICEF promotes the voices of children at ZITF

At the recent Zimbabwe International Trade Fair UNICEF provided children with a yet another platform to share their voices on issues that matter to them, promoting the U Report programme and the FairChance Initiative conducted in collaboration with SPAR and Wild Horizons.