

The team behind Christian Aid Zimbabwe



Nicholas Shamano

Country Manager



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Nicholas provides overall leadership to the Zimbabwe programme. Nicholas has a wealth of experience in the development sector spanning nearly 20 years. In the past, he has worked for international organisations such as Care International, Oxfam and Christian Aid across the sectors of resilience-building, economic empowerment, emergency preparedness and response, gender, inclusive markets development and conflict transformation in Zimbabwe and Southern Africa.

Nicholas holds a BSc. Honours Degree in Regional and Urban Planning majoring in Project Planning and Management, an Advanced Diploma in Disaster Management, a Master's Degree in Disaster Management.



Tapiwa Mbutsa

Programme Manager



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Tapiwa has overall oversight for all programmes in Zimbabwe. He has experience spanning over 16 years in the development sector, encompassing Humanitarian work, HIV and AIDS programming.

Prior to joining Christian Aid, he held various programming positions in International, Regional and local NGOs in Zimbabwe.

Tapiwa holds a Master of Science in Demography and Population Studies, Bachelor of Arts (Hon) in Development Studies and a Diploma in Education.

David Kanonuwa

Finance Manager



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David is head of finance and administration for Christian Aid in Zimbabwe. He has strong financial and administration management experience in the development sector having worked for local, regional, international NGOs and the UN in the SADC region.

David is passionate about reaching to the very poor and at the same time ensuring financial compliance in the stewardship of resources entrusted by stakeholders. He leads a team of finance experts, each responsible for financial management of projects under their portfolio.



Rutendo Kandawasvika

Programme Development and Funding Manager Southern Africa



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Rutendo has overall oversight for the programme development, resourcing and fundraising, donor relations and compliance covering Southern Africa.

Prior to joining Christian Aid, Rutendo was Programme Director with a local NGO that she built over the years. With over 10 years' experience in the development sector, Rutendo has led successful resource mobilization efforts from institutional donors and development partners, developed and resourced large and complex programmes from various donors such as USAID, European Union and the Global Fund and has also led programme implementation.

Rutendo is the first point of call for any contractual issues established with Christian Aid in Zimbabwe.

Tafadzwa Muropa

Social & Economic Justice Lead



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Tafadzwa leads the Social and Economic Justice Thematic Unit. She plays a leading role in mainstreaming gender in Zimbabwe as well as fundraising and implementing projects in gender equality, transparency and accountability, human rights and peacebuilding. She has worked with local and international organisations in Eastern and Southern Africa for over 16 years.

Tafadzwa has a BA Degree in Economic History and Philosophy with University of Zimbabwe, has received post graduate short course training in public policy, human rights, gender equality, project management and macroeconomic policy with local, regional and international institutions. She is currently completing her dissertation in a Master's in Public Policy and Governance with Africa University, Zimbabwe.

Tirivafi Shuro

Team Leader – ZRBP BRAC



Tiri manages a 5 year, multi donor funded resilience building project, ZRBF BRAC, leading a diverse project team from Christian Aid and 4 consortium partners.

He has over 18 years' experience working in the international development sector, with stints in private and public sectors.

Tiri is passionate about innovative and pragmatic approaches to transforming people's lives. He has programming experience and expertise in inclusive market and enterprise development, resilience building, partnership management and program management.

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