

## WASH in HCF/COVID-19 Funding Updates: 8 May 2020

Dear Colleagues,

More funding opportunities for COVID-19 response in LMICs have been announced and applications windows for others have closed. As such, we have reorganized our [funding opportunities spreadsheet](#). There are currently **17 open opportunities** of varying amounts, program focuses, and geographies. Highlighted details below.

Next week we will share the trends and buzzwords we have identified after sorting through these funding opportunities. Do you have feedback on how we can make this information even more useful? Feel free to send our team a note.

### OPPORTUNITIES WITH CLOSING DATE APPROACHING

- [WSSCC Civil Society Strengthening, Accountability and Voice Grants](#) for Togo, Uganda, Cambodia and Madagascar  
The grant focuses on ensuring that the voice of people in vulnerable situations is heard in policy dialogue and debates on sanitation, hygiene and menstrual health and hygiene (MHH).  
**DEADLINE: Sunday (10 May 2020)**
- [Government of Canada's COVID-19 Rapid Research Funding Opportunity](#)  
These grants are for research on health and COVID-19. Areas of study include infection prevention and control measures and public health communications and citizen engagement. See list of specific eligibility requirements.  
**DEADLINE: Monday (11 May 2020)**
- [The Lion's Share - COVID-19 Response Resilience in Wildlife Community Small Grants](#)  
Grants are available for COVID-19 response initiatives conducted in wildlife rich areas (prone to wildlife-based tourism) in developing countries – these initiatives should demonstrate innovative local-level action to increase resilience and well-being of communities against external shocks such as pandemic crises.  
**DEADLINE: next Friday (15 May 2020)**

### SPOTLIGHT FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

- [Islamic Development Bank Group's Transform Fund 2020](#)  
The Transform Fund 2020 is supporting proposals for long-term solutions to COVID-19 in IsDB member countries. Applications will be considered based on their ability to address COVID-19 in relation to six of the SDGs including SDG 6 (water and sanitation).  
**DEADLINE: 1 June 2020**

### UPCOMING: INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY – TUESDAY, MAY 12

A reminder that this Tuesday is [International Nurses Day](#). It is also the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of [Florence Nightingale](#) – an early advocate for handwashing among nurses.

Join us in **raising our voices on social media** to not only thank nurses on the frontlines, but also recognize the poor WASH conditions where many of these nurses in LMICs work.

### SWA VIDEO ON WASH IN HCF

Thanks to SWA for [spotlighting WASH in HCF](#) today in their video series on COVID and WASH!

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All for now,

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