

FNBB extends a helping hand towards COVID-19 relief



COVID-19 has presented a global threat to healthcare and the livelihoods of people, businesses and the economy at large. It is imperative now more than ever that corporate citizens play a role in the fight against this pandemic to minimize its after effects.

First National Bank Botswana (FNBB) will contribute **P10 million** to support government's interventions that address and minimise the impact COVID-19.

Our contribution seeks to address critical and immediate health care needs that the country is facing; capacitate local manufacturers and suppliers to play an active role in the supply value chain, as well as help communities through this COVID-19 period.

In Partnership with the Community

The Bank donated **P5 million** directly to the COVID-19 Relief Fund to assist government and the Ministry of Health and Wellness in their efforts towards combating the impact of COVID-19. The other **P5 million** will be funded through the Bank's corporate social responsibility arm, FNBB Foundation, with special focus on the following;

- Providing support services and supplies to health workers and other essential services workers;
- Providing food and necessities to underprivileged members of the community;
- Providing shelter and necessities for gender-based violence survivors; and
- Supporting the local creative industry and SMMEs.

Health Care Support

FNBB will assist local companies with financial resources for the production and supply of essential medical and personal protective equipment for the prevention, detection, control and containment of the virus. To this end, the bank has issued **P40 million** working capital facility to a local medical equipment supplier, who will supply government with COVID-19 testing kits and lung function testing machines. The Bank will continue to explore other funding structures for its clients to fight COVID-19.

In Partnership with SMMEs

To minimise economic fall-out and ensure that SMMEs and local suppliers can stay afloat, FNBB will partner with SMMEs to help disinfect public areas like borders, quarantine camp, and public transport zones.

FNBB is committed to providing help to all its stakeholders and the community at large, and believes that we are stronger together in the fight against COVID-19.

The Government of Botswana has set up accounts across selected commercial banks for members of the public who wish to donate towards the Covid relief fund. Account details for members who wish to contribute can be found below:

First National Bank Botswana

Account Name: **Covid-19 (Corona Virus) Relief Fund**

Branch Name: **First Place**

Branch Code: **281467**

Account Number: **62848017720**

Swift Code: **FIRNBWGX**

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