

## TFN Impact Report

<b>Name of your Organisation</b>	Epilepsy Support Foundation
<b>Date of TFN event you pitched at</b>	07/12/2018
<b>Name of the Project TFN Funded</b>	Epilepsy Support Foundation (Zimbabwe)
<b>Were you able to undertake your project as outlined in the Application?</b>	<p>No - We were hoping to be further on with this project but political issues and other factors in Zimbabwe have delayed this project. Initial approval from the Ministry of Health and Child Care, Provincial Medical Directors (Mashonaland West Province) and the District Medical Officer (Zvimba District) has been sought. A consultative workshop for all the key stakeholders from the medical sector, service providers in Zimbabwe has been held. Additionally, a training manual has been developed along with other education materials to support the training of nurses and community health workers.</p> <p>The project is targeted to cover four provinces with a high prevalence of Epilepsy. Zvimba District has been chosen as a pilot project because it has the highest prevalence of epilepsy and also because of its close proximity to health facilities such as the district hospital in Banket. Training staff in one pilot area will facilitate a research approach so when further training is rolled out it will enable us to use the learning and support from the pilot to support future research. This is key so that this project could be potentially scaled up and will also support applying for future grants.</p> <p>The project is currently formalising dates with the identified Province and District for the training of nurses and village health workers, with the first training due to begin next month. Forty nurses will be trained who will then support the training of 40 village health workers.</p> <p>A pre-questioner will be administered to the nurses and village health workers. Following training, a post-training questioner for both Nurses and Village Health Workers Monitoring and Evaluation of project (ZHTS) will also be administered.</p>
<b>Can you describe and/or demonstrate the specific impact that TFN funding has had against your initial objectives?</b>	So far the project has focussed on the preparatory work needed so the actual training phase has not yet begun. We will be a position to report on the impact of the training in the next 6 months.
<b>What portion of the project did TFN fund?</b>	60%
<b>How many direct beneficiaries did the TFN funded project reach?</b>	As stated above, the training itself is yet to begin.
<b>How many indirect beneficiaries did the TFN funded project reach?</b>	As above.

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<b>Were you able to leverage further funding as a result of TFN support?</b>	Yes - We raised an additional £7500 from the BMA charitable fund
<b>Did you receive any pro-bono support, volunteer offers or introductions as a result of the event?</b>	No
<b>How important was TFN funding in helping you achieve your objectives?</b>	We wouldn't have been able to achieve our objectives without TFN funding
<b>Since presenting at TFN, has your organisation undergone any other significant changes?</b>	No
<b>Do you have any other comments or feedback on the experience of the TFN process?</b>	The process was very supportive, affirming , and accommodating of small organisations and projects that struggle to get finances to support project work because they are deemed "too small"
<b>Can you tell us any personal stories to highlight the value of the project?</b>	We will be able to do this once the project is more advanced