

SAVING THE LIVES OF WOMEN, GIRLS AND NEWBORN BABIES



HELP DIRECT FUNDING TO WHERE IT HAS THE MOST IMPACT

Across East and Southern Africa, more than

49 million

women who want to plan their families cannot get access to modern family planning.



830 women and adolescent girls die needlessly every day

because of complications in pregnancy and childbirth.



PROJECTIONS FOR THE UNFPA SUPPLIES PROGRAMME SHOW THAT OUR NEW APPROACH CAN:



Cut unintended pregnancies by

32%



Prevent an additional

32%

unsafe abortions



Lower maternal and child deaths by

33%



These investments will save more than **31% in direct health-care costs**



To achieve this, the region would need to spend **\$1.5 billion¹**



To reduce this risk, the right resources must be directed to the right programmes

Policy and decision-makers can contribute by understanding the impact of changes to our country-level programming. These changes include:

- A new country groupings model
- A mandatory domestic financing contribution
- The introduction of Compact agreements
- Match funding for family planning and reproductive health commodities.

These changes came into effect in 2022 and aim to maximize impact and improve the sustainability of the UNFPA Supplies Programme. This will be achieved by directing the right resources to countries, according to indicators that measure each country's ability to finance commodities through domestic resources.

Changes to the financing model

Under the new operational model, partner governments will need to make a **minimum domestic financing contribution** towards the cost of commodities provided by UNFPA Supplies.

This means we are moving from a model of product donation to one of product subsidization. With your support, we can

strengthen domestic capacity and financing for the procurement of quality-assured reproductive health commodities, including contraceptives.

More equitable distribution of resources

Depending on your country's classification, your government will need to contribute a minimum initial portion of the programme's cost, plus an annual escalation, as follows:

- **Group 1 & 2 countries:** a minimum of 1% towards the cost of commodities provided by the UNFPA Supplies Partnership in 2023, rising by at least 1 percentage point every year.
- **Group 3 countries:** a minimum of 5% towards the cost of commodities provided by the UNFPA Supplies Partnership in 2023, rising by at least 1 percentage point every year.
- **Group 4 countries:** a minimum of 10% towards the cost of commodities provided by the UNFPA Supplies Partnership in 2023, rising by at least 5 percentage points every year.
- **Carry-over Group countries:** a minimum of 10% towards the cost of commodities provided by the UNFPA Supplies Partnership every year, rising by either 5 or 10 percentage points each year, depending on the economic context.

¹Country-specific expenditure: Angola \$55m, Burundi \$15.5m, Comoros \$1.1m, DRC \$89m, Eritrea \$4.6m, Ethiopia \$245m, Kenya \$226m, Lesotho \$14m, Madagascar \$89m, Malawi \$77m, Mozambique \$105m, Rwanda \$38m, South Sudan \$6.4m, Tanzania \$185m, Uganda \$114m, Zambia \$65m, Zimbabwe \$167m.

STEPS THAT POLICY AND DECISION-MAKERS CAN TAKE

DRIVING HOME THE MESSAGE

Communities rely on policies that are clear and decisive in directing resources to where they are needed the most. Our work shows that sexual and reproductive health is an area that remains deeply in need.

You can make a difference by helping to ensure that the funding changes are communicated to and understood by lawmakers in your country. The success of the programme and the lives of thousands of people are in your hands.



UNFPA SUPPLIES PRODUCES STRONG RESULTS



Since the programme's inception in 2007, UNFPA has organized more than US\$1.8 billion for family planning and maternal health supplies. Between 2008 and 2020, the Supplies Programme in the East and Southern Africa region has helped avoid an estimated:

37 million
unintended pregnancies

12 million
unsafe abortions

107,000
maternal deaths

832,000
child deaths

WHAT YOU CAN DO

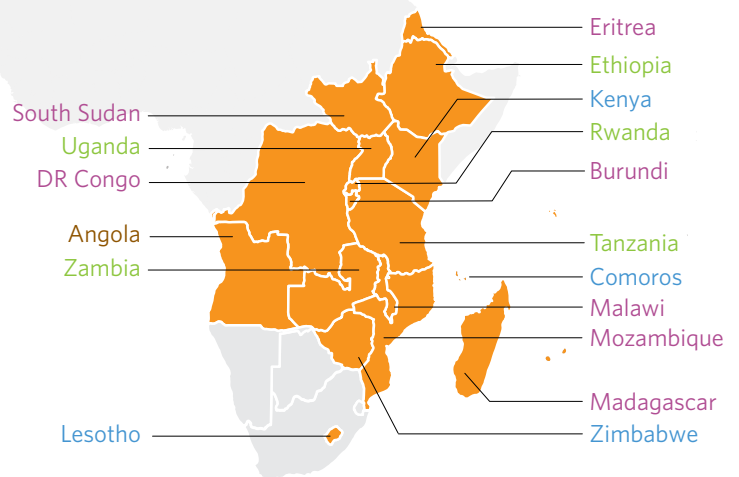
Phase III of the UNFPA Supplies Programme (2021-2030) is about strengthening partnerships, and improving transparency and accountability.

You are in a unique position as a policy influencer to improve the lives of your communities by advocating for funding to promote better sexual and reproductive health practices.

You have the power to:

- Influence policy on import laws and regulations for contraceptives, such as removing restrictive duties, import taxes, or other fees.
- Promote family planning in development strategies and contraceptive security in policy instruments.
- Create policies that support the private sector and civil society to provide contraceptives.

COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING IN PHASE III OF THE UNFPA SUPPLIES PROGRAMME:



■ Group 1 ■ Group 2 ■ Group 3 ■ Group 4

CALL TO ACTION

- Rally support from your government, the private sector and other partners for the procurement and distribution of family planning and maternal health supplies to the last-mile end user.
- Incorporate the cost of your government's support to the Family Planning and Supply Chain Management Systems into ongoing policies and strategies.
- Work with your Ministries of Health and Finance to maximize the impact of family planning interventions.