

NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the special issue of the UN Voluntary Trust Fund for Victims of Trafficking in Persons (UNVTF) Newsletter focusing on recent developments of the Trust Fund and responses to the unprecedented Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) in the spring of 2020.

10 NGO PROJECTS SELECTED FOR NEW EMERGENCY AID WINDOW OF 4TH GRANT CYCLE



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UNVTF has announced the results of its fourth call for proposals for subgrant programme one in the **first ever, fast-track emergency aid window** under its small grants programme. The new short-term, compact programme focuses on delivering swift humanitarian aid to victims of human trafficking in or fleeing from imperative crisis scenarios.

In total, **10 NGO projects that provide emergency aid to human trafficking survivors globally** have been selected for awards under sub-programme one.

UNVTF remains at the forefront of global emergency crises in supporting grassroots organisations worldwide to respond exclusively to the immediate needs of human trafficking victims in regions hardest-hit by humanitarian and natural disasters, such as armed conflict, COVID-19, and other crisis scenarios, through the provision of vital aid.

IMPACT SURVEY ON TIP SURVIVORS & MITIGATION OF NGOS AMID COVID-19

UNVTF is supporting its partners to identify and plan mitigation against risks related to COVID-19 in line with UN processes. As part of its risk assessment and Contingency Plan, the Trust Fund is working closely with NGOs grantees to **collect country-specific information to minimise the risks and impact** of Covid-19 on project implementation.

The Trust Fund **aims to launch a second emergency call** in the near future that would require a replenishment of the fund on the basis of the growing demand in 2020.

With your support, we can give back to victims what human traffickers have stolen from them: DIGNITY! Donate online via the [UN Foundation](#).

SUCCESS STORIES TO COME

Stories from NGO partners assisting TIP survivors on the frontlines amid COVID-19 will be released soon in the upcoming issues of Human Faces-UNVTF Web story.