

# COVID-19 Funding Timeline

**Feb 27**



**K10 million made available by GoPNG**

National Government made available K10 million (initial NDoH submission was for K45 million).

**Mar 18**



**World Bank Talks USD\$20 million offer**

World Bank issues willingness to give government US\$20 million (K68.3 million).

**Mar 21**



**KPHL gives K5 million**

National State Agency supports COVID-19 response.

**Mar 23**



**PNG requests K860 million from dev partners**

GoPNG approaches World Bank, IMF and Asian Dev Banks for funding support following first confirmed case.

**Mar 30**



**TIPNG issues statement on procurement**

TIPNG urges government to establish transparent procurement protocols open to external scrutiny.

**Mar 31**



**GoPNG disburses K38 million for awareness**

The department of Implementation and Rural Development (DIRD) released K38,750,000 for an awareness campaign to fight and contain COVID-19.

**Apr 02**



**GoPNG seeks 2 month extension on SoE**

PM Marape reveals in Parliament GoPNG plans to extend SoE plus added commitment of K43.33 million for SoE and K150 million for risk mitigation.

**Apr 03**



**Newcrest sets up K20 million support fund**

Newcrest sets up support fund for essential goods and services to communities in which they operate.

**Apr 03**



**Australian High Com donates K1.9 million to Morobe**

Australian High Commission donates funds to Morobe Provincial Authority following first confirmed case.

**Apr 13**



**Media Council of PNG calls on GoPNG to publish spending**

Media council calls of all state agencies involved to regularly publish all spending of emergency funds to maintain transparency of emergency funding processes.

**Apr 17**



**World Bank approves K70 million project**

The World Bank has approved an emergency K70 million project to provide rapid support to PNG COVID-19 response.

**NDoH**

**Feb 28**

**Australian High Com gives equipment**

A/Secretary of Health Dr Paison Dakulala received 15 personal protective equipment items worth AUD\$66,244.25

**LOOP**

**Mar 19**

**NPC calls for inexpediency certificate**

NPC calls for certificate of inexpediency in face of COVID-19 threat.

**LOOP**

**Mar 23**

**Australia gives K1.7 million**

Australian government funds boost national preparedness commitments.

**World Bank**

**Mar 26**

**NEC approves release of K23 million**

Police Minister Bryan Kramer reported saying that K10 million is yet to be drawn down, but K23 million kina of the initial allocation was approved by the NEC and ready for release to the NDoH trust account.

**National**

**Mar 31**

**KCH donates K1 million**

State owned enterprise donated K1 million worth of petrol to Police, paid directly to Puma Energy Limited.

**World Bank**

**Mar 31**

**Madang Governor donates K250,000**

Peter Yama personally donates K250,000 from Yama Group of Companies to support Madang response.

**World Bank**

**Apr 03**

**Korean Association donates K71,000**

Korean owned businesses in PNG show solidarity by donating to COVID response operations.

**Facebook**

**Apr 03**

**China donates K970,000**

China donates to response operations also promises to deliver personal protection kits.

**Facebook**

**Apr 10**

**Bryan Kramer reports 26.75% of core funding has been spent**

Kramer reports that K6,151,951.80 of the initial K23 million core funding has been spent.

**Facebook**

**Apr 14**

**US Government commits USD\$1.2 million**

US Government commits funding to be split between W.H.O and UNICEF for COVID-19 response operations in PNG.

**Parliament of PNG**

**Apr 24**

**Bangladesh Community helps PNG Covid-19 Response**

The Bangladesh community donate K150,000 assistance towards PNG's response to COVID-19.

TOTAL  
CORE SoE  
FUNDING RELEASED:

**K23 million**

EXTERNAL  
CONTRIBUTIONS  
DONATIONS AND PLEDGES  
(so far):

**K105 million**  
(K105,202,907.20 approx.)

**\*Notes:**

- Despite the influx of information over the past three months, the National Treasury has yet to produce any **verifiable reports** on;
  - The exact sum of funding currently at the PNG governments' disposal or
  - Exactly how much of that funding has been spent so far and how it has been spent.

- The only sources of information on expenditure so far have been a verbal statement by the Prime Minister and a Facebook post by the Police Minister: <https://www.facebook.com/kramerreportpng/posts/1946609375475359>

- This timeline is a digest of reports on the public record relating to the funding of COVID-19 response operations in PNG, as of May 23, 2020.