

REVIVE TARIRO (ZORORO) HOSTEL

BACKGROUND

In 1974, the Cancer Association of Zimbabwe founded Tariro, (formally Zororo) Hostel, situated on the grounds of Harare Central Hospital and catering for 40 patients. The hostel provided a home, free of charge, to out of town cancer patients coming for their reviews, Chemotherapy radiotherapy and treatment sessions at Parirenyatwa Radiotherapy Center. Patients staved at Tariro Hostel for a period of four to ten weeks.



Unfortunately, this service was suspended in 2007 due to financial constraints and rural cancer patients have been struggling to secure accommodation whilst receiving treatment in the city. In Zimbabwe there are only two cancer treatment centres in two cities catering for over twelve million people. The Cancer Association of Zimbabwe would like to resuscitate Tariro Hostel and is appealing donations in cash to enable us to do the necessary repairs and refurbishment. As the cancer burden continues to rise in Zimbabwe, the demand for accommodation for rural cancer patients is also increasing rapidly thus the Cancer Association is inundated with patients looking for accommodation while receiving treatment in the Unfortunately, this service was suspended in 2007 due to financial constraints and rural cancer patients have been struggling to secure accommodation whilst receiving treatment in the city. The hostel will provide a roof over their head and have proper meals for free, these will improve the treatment outcomes of the cancer patients. Resuscitating the hostel will also increase the number of rural cancer patients who can access cancer treatment early. Late diagnosis due to late presentation is a challenge in Zimbabwe and this challenge can be improved by opening the hostel for rural patients who are usually poor and marginalised to access treatment.





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