

3M, United Way collaborate on SA Covid-19 relief programme

3M South Africa has partnered with United Way South Africa in implementing a \$220,080 Covid-19 relief programme to provide nutritional food, fresh water, hygiene, and sanitisation products to vulnerable families.



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"The projects with United Way form part of a \$20m commitment made by 3M at a corporate level to support Covid-19 relief projects globally, and we're grateful that some of this funding is helping vulnerable communities in South Africa to receive support during these exceptional times," said Robert Nichols, MD of 3M Middle East Africa.

United Way Worldwide has been helping communities in need for more than 130 years, but the scale of the Covid-19 crisis and its far-reaching impact on people's health, social mobility, income and job security – factors that are essential to wellbeing - has posed new challenges.

"The Covid-19 pandemic has presented us with unprecedented challenges in our country. 3M's contribution to United Way South Africa will help augment our relief efforts in some of South Africa's most underserved communities. The grant will directly provide food relief, hygiene packs, PPE and health education to thousands of affected people across our country. While the challenges we face may seem insurmountable, it is contributions from partners such as 3M and its staff that gives us hope for a better tomorrow," said Jerann Naidu, UWSA community impact chairperson and board member.