

# donation impact report

## Midmark is a Critical Partner in Life-Saving Work

Choma District, Zambia



- Size: 3rd largest district in Zambia's Southern Province
- Population: 550,000
- Available Health Services: Choma General Medical Hospital (supported by rural health centers)
- Doctor-patient ratio: 54,000: 1



**A crisis** loomed over families in southern Zambia. On August 20th, the Zambian public woke to an unsettling news headline: "Choma Hospital Faces Closure." This news was received with anxiety, desperation, and anger.

The hospital was suffering from a shortage in many supplies: medicines, linens, and surgical equipment among other essentials. The surgery department had no surgical clothing or equipment. A secondary, mission-run hospital is in the area, yet closing Choma General would leave thousands without *any* access to local health care in an area where the doctor to patient ratio is already a challenge.

After hearing the news, World Vision Zambia decided to help avert the closure of the hospital by requesting Gift-In-Kind that could be donated to the hospital.



Patients in a wing of Choma General Hospital are pictured far left.

Here, World Vision and hospital staff meet to unload new exam tables and supplies.



Above, the District Commissioner accepts the donation on behalf of the hospital.

Staff moving a new exam table into the hospital are pictured right.



**In response,** a huge donation of medical equipment was sent to Choma. The donation included exam tables donated by Midmark. Through World Vision, this donation was given to Choma General, and District Commissioner Ngoni Simulilika received the donation on behalf of the hospital.

In his receiving speech, Mr. Simulilika noted that this was one of the largest donations the hospital had ever received, adding that the donation will go miles to save lives because it equips Choma General to continue serving children and families in the area.

Midmark donated a total of 466 exam tables to World Vision in 2007. Those donated tables are being used to change lives around the world. **On behalf of the many children and families whose health care has been improved by your generosity, thank you for your partnership with World Vision.**

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