

# Global Funds for AIDS, TB and Malaria

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Deprived of sources of livelihood during the pandemic, sex workers, transpersons, gay and bi-sexual men, drug users and people living with HIV/AIDS have petitioned the Global Fund for AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM) **protesting against being ignored by government and multilateral agencies in coronavirus (COVID-19) related emergency relief efforts.**

## GFATM

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria was **created in 2002** to raise, manage and invest the world's money to respond to three of the deadliest infectious diseases the world has ever known. The mission of the Global Fund is to invest the world's money to defeat these three diseases. The idea for the Global Fund arose from a wellspring of grass-roots political advocacy coming face-to-face with the imperatives of global leadership. **AIDS, TB and malaria are all preventable and treatable** – but solving this problem requires the commitment not only of world leaders and decision-makers but also of those working on the ground to help the men, women and children living with these diseases.

The Global Fund is a partnership designed to accelerate the end of AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria as epidemics. As an international organization, the Global Fund **mobilizes and invests more than US\$4 billion a year** to support programs run by local experts in more than 100 countries. In **partnership with governments, civil society, technical agencies, the private sector and people affected by the diseases**, the fund is challenging barriers and embracing innovation. The Global Fund partnership model is designed to promote innovative solutions to global health challenges. **Countries take the lead**

**in determining where and how to best fight AIDS, TB and malaria.** Collectively, the Global Fund harnesses the best possible experience, insights and innovation in the public and private sectors to respond to diseases and build resilient and sustainable systems for health.

