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The Cyclone Idai has claimed hundreds of lives in some parts of Southern African countries such as Mozambique, Malawi, Zimbabwe and South Africa. (SAAWEDO) Southern African American Economic Development organization is partnering with different churches and community leaders along with volunteers in assisting the affected areas in any way possible. Time is of the essence as we call on all who are able to help us quickly mobilize our support hub here in the US and ship relief to families in dire need of help for affected countries.

Zimbabwe government has declared a national state of emergency in areas affected despite the country is struggling due to sanctions. Zimbabwe is already suffering a severe drought that has wilted crops because most people rely on farming.

Rescuers volunteers and local Zimbabwe Red Cross are struggling to reach people affected due to lack of roads and bridges damaged or swept away by flooding.

Humanitarian assistance needed include food, water, temporary shelter sleeping bags, blankets, diapers, clothing. Some people were sleeping in higher ground after the homes were destroyed by mudslide and rocks falling because of he rains.

SAAWEDO is equipped and positioned to respond to disaster across Southern Africa. We continually work in our organizational field sites to help those affected by this and other natural occurring disasters all across the Southern African Region. Please contact the President Darryl Evans or The Manager F Evans 510-478-7100 email faithevans@saawedo.org; Veronica Wilson 510776-7735 happyhelpinghandinc@gmail.com