



## ZAMBIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FACT SHEET

# USAID EXPANDING WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

### BACKGROUND

The USAID Expanding Water and Sanitation Project works to improve access to sustainable and safe drinking water, sanitation, and hygiene services in Northern, Muchinga, Southern, and Western provinces. Over six million Zambians lack access to safe water and 11 million are without basic sanitation. Where infrastructure exists, investments in ongoing maintenance are lacking.

The purpose of this project is to professionalize and promote accountability for reliable and high-quality water, sanitation, and hygiene service providers and to remove barriers to private sector participation in water, sanitation, and hygiene services delivery. The USAID Expanding Water and Sanitation Project works with stakeholders at the provincial, district, and local levels to ensure that systems, policies, and processes are in place, implemented, and enforced to ensure that communities receive high-quality water, sanitation, and hygiene services.

## GOALS

### GOAL ONE

Promote market-based water, sanitation, and hygiene service delivery and financially sustainable and inclusive management models.

### GOAL TWO

Enhance accountability of water, sanitation, and hygiene service providers, policy makers, and civic leaders.

### GOAL THREE

Increase private sector participation in water, sanitation, and hygiene service delivery.

## EXPECTED RESULTS

- Increase the proportion of people who have access to safe water by 15 percentage points in target districts.
- Increase the number of functional water sources by 25 percent between project beginning and end, across target districts.
- Improve the capacity and performance of at least 125 rural water service providers or community-based water committees.
- Increase access to sanitation by 25 percent, including for the very poor, between project beginning and end, across target districts.

- **Life of Project:** January 2022 - January 2027
- **Geographic Focus:** Northern, Muchinga, Southern, and Western Provinces
- **Implementing Partner:** Research Triangle Institute International (RTII)
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