



*July 25, 2018 – TB resource needs update from the Global Fund Advocates Network (GFAN)*

**We were wrong! The needs for international aid for the TB response are much higher than levels stated in the previous Global Plan.**

On July 22 at the International AIDS Conference, the Stop TB Partnership presented the following updated calculations of need:

- US\$ 65 billion is needed for the total TB response for the period 2018-2022
- This represents a doubling of the current level investment, with spending needing to rise to at least US\$ 14 billion per year starting in 2020.

The Stop TB Partnership also states that of the total investment need for the TB response:

- A total of US\$ **2.2** billion annually is needed in international aid for the TB response starting in 2020.
- At least US\$ **1.6** billion is needed as aid provided through the Global Fund to programs in Global Fund-eligible countries.

Over the three-year 2020-2022 replenishment timeframe for the Global Fund, these new figures imply that *donor countries and other funding partners should aim to invest at least US\$ 4.8 billion through the Global Fund for TB programs in 2020-2022.*

The Get Back on Track report already calls for an increased total investment through the Global Fund for the TB response. These new numbers that call for a doubling of resources available to TB indicate that *overall need has gone up and will continue to go up*. In conversations with the Stop TB Partnership this week, they have indicated that as part of this doubling of needed resources, the international aid component should also double from what is currently spent.

The new range for TB resource needs in the Get Back on Track report boosts the overall resource need for the Global Fund to *16.80 billion to 18 billion for the 6<sup>th</sup> Replenishment*.

The Global Fund Advocates Network welcomes this information from the Stop TB Partnership. GFAN will continue to work with all partners, including technical agencies and the Global Fund, to collect and share updates, to provide advocates with the most up-to-date information and compelling messages to press for the strongest possible response against the three epidemics of HIV, TB and malaria.