

British aid for Mozambique

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HELP The Aged, a charity organisation based in Britain, is expected to spend more than £165 000 on displaced Mozambicans in Malawi and Mozambique's Zambezia province during the 1987/88 period.

The organisation's representative in Zimbabwe, Mrs Rhoda Immerman, said yesterday that Help The Aged would soon 'set up offices in Harare.

"We have been working in Zimbabwe with various organisations since independence. Our work is directed towards the rehabilitation of elderly in urban and rural centres and we also concentrate on displaced Mozambicans," said Mrs Immerman.

She said her organisation was trying to get people away from the idea of "dumping" old people in homes.

"Institutions for the aged serve a purpose but it drains one of all hope of leading a normal life

again. At least if we help them while they live at their own homes it makes them feel useful and makes life easier because the elderly will feel loved and develop a sense of security and belonging. — Ziana.