

# Raising funds for humanitarian aid

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**DOCTORS Without Borders (MSF)** is embarking on a fundraising event in South Africa to create awareness about its groundbreaking work on the continent and across the globe.

The initiative, *On the Move*, was established following the world's attention on the perilous journeys refugees are forced to take. It's aimed at raising money for humanitarian aid.

The proceeds will be used to support MSF's work in north-eastern Nigeria's nutrition crisis-hit Borno state. As con-

flict continues to plague Nigeria due to the Islamist group Boko Haram, more than 500 000 people have been displaced, forced to flee their homes or compelled to live in dire conditions, while others are cut off from the outside world.

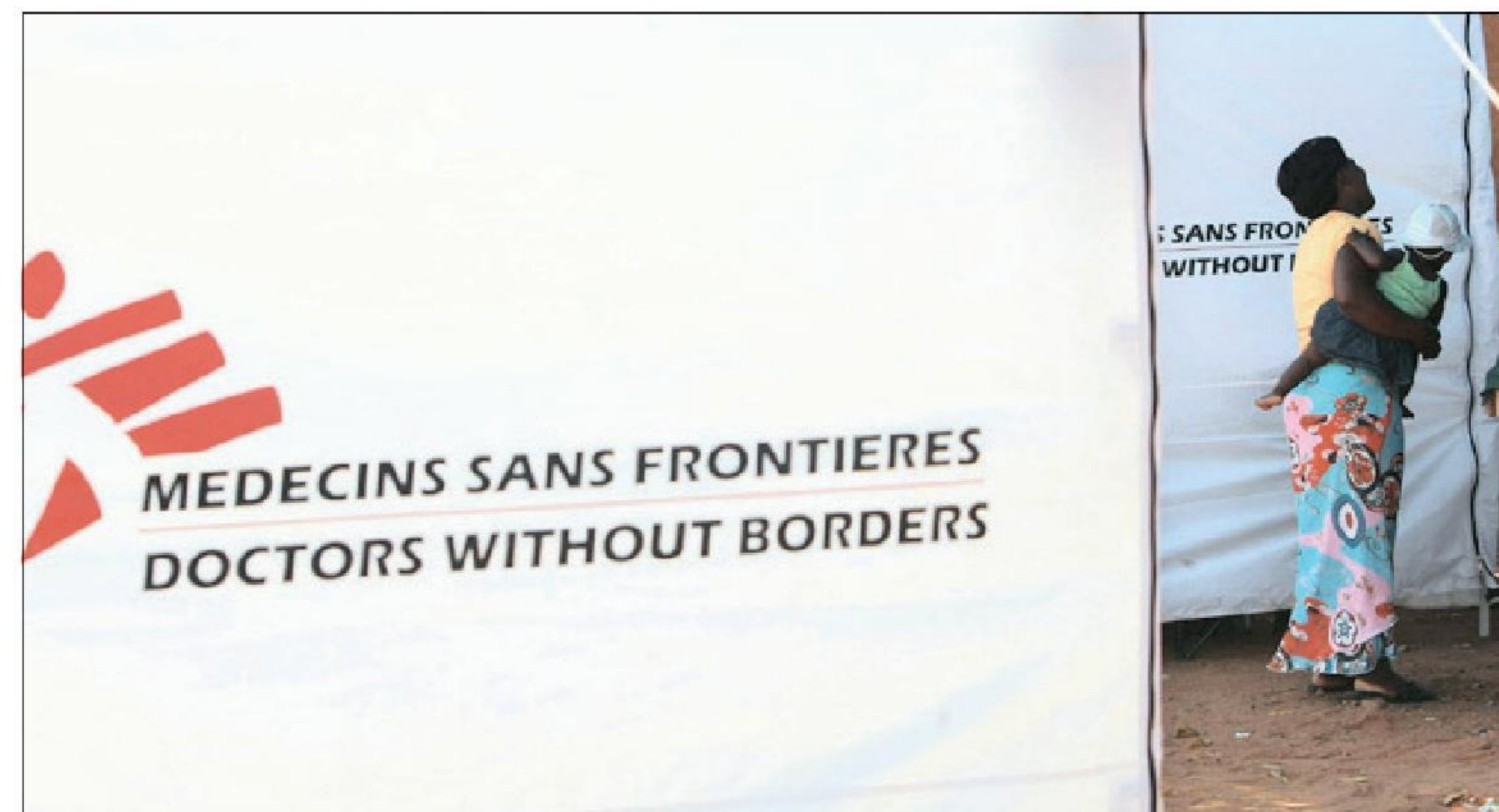
MSF teams have been working hard to get medical care, safe water and therapeutic food to where it's needed most.

Yesterday, Dr Mohammed Dalwai, president of MSF South Africa's board, said several South Africans had worked in Syria, Afghanistan, Pakistan and South Sudan, "where their skills in emergency medicine are sought after".

He added: "Since 2008 a growing number of South Africans are choosing to support the life-saving work of MSF field workers. Over 25 000 individuals are showing their commitment to keeping our medical work independent, free and rapidly deployable. Nearly 80 percent of our South African supporters are regular monthly donors."

The event at Turbine Hall in Newtown, Joburg, on September 2 will offer guests insight into people having to flee their homes.

A core part of the event will be entertainment from jazz legend Hugh Masekela, who knows what it's like to be "on the move". In



**CREATING AWARENESS: Doctors Without Borders plans to hold an event in Joburg next month to raise funds.** PICTURE: ANTOINE DE RAS

1960, aged 21, he left South Africa to go into exile in the US.

There will also be stalls representing various countries and

cultures. African style will be showcased through Kisua, a fashion brand that honours Africa's brightest design talent.