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Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Program

1. Water Point Operation and Maintenance



37

**Maintenances
Conducted**



35 preventive (target 500)



2 Reactive (target 40)

2. Completion of Kasese Mini Solar Powered Water Supply Project

With funds from 2025 Gala and donations from Orant Charities US, the WASH program constructed a solar powered water system with 4 water taps.



675

**People Supplied
with water**
via Kasese mini
solar-powered
water supply
project

Other Key Activities:



11 participants trained during the Mkunja Water Point Committee refresher.

Conducted bi-annual review meetings with the Chakhadza Area Development Committee and Katalima School WASH teachers.





1. Awareness Meetings on Pfumvudza

An awareness meeting was conducted with Lead Farmers and Mwayiwathu farm club members to introduce them to Pfumvudza model, aimed at improving soil fertility, conserving moisture and increasing crop productivity.



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**Farmers
Trained**



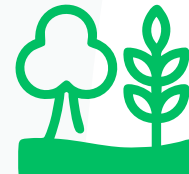
Next Steps:

Practical training officially commences in May at the Pfumvudza demonstration site.

Topics Covered



Compost Making



Agroforestry



Mulching



Zero Tillage



Agriculture Program

2. Harvesting on OCA Commercial Farm



850kg

**Soya Beans
Harvested**



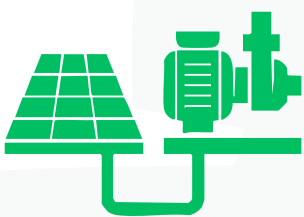
**Maize harvest
in progress**

Challenges

Low yields as compared to the planned production targets due to prolonged dry spells.



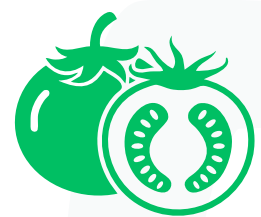
Other Activities



Provided solar water pump and inputs to a supported student's family.



Distributed 35 fruit trees to 7 families of critically ill patients.



Monitored 7 irrigation clubs and sowed tomato seeds for the 2026 season.

⚡ Energy and Environment Program



1. Kasese Solar Water System:

- Commissioned the Kasese solar-powered mini piped water system, completing plumbing, construction, and electrical works.



2. Community Sensitization:

- Conducted a campaign at GVH Mulalo on climate change awareness, tree planting, and fuel-efficient cook-stoves.
- Selected Fuel-Efficient Cook-stove Lead Community Volunteers to support local adoption.



3. Stakeholder Coordination:

- Presented 2025 achievements and the 2026 work plan to the District Environmental Sub Committee (DESC).

Business and Development

1. Village Savings and Loans (VSL) Group Meetings

Mtanda FEM group successfully concluded their 6-month VSL cycle.



MWK 1,560,000 (\$900)

TOTAL VSL GENERATED

by Mtanda FEM group over 6 months.

MWK 340,000 (\$196)

HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL SAVINGS



Other Activities

- Organized 4-day training for Mtanda FEM group on business planning & bookkeeping.
- Engaged with Partners in Health (PIH) in Neno to study the POSER social support model.
- Conducted routine business monitoring visits.



Education Program

1. Conducted School Needs Assessment



Needs assessment conducted in **21 schools**



Identified gaps: Lack of curriculum books and feeding programs.

2. Review Meeting with Parents and Students



37 parents and 45 students attended.

The key objective was to collaborate with parents on monitoring and mentoring students in their academic life.

Other Activities



- Celebrated our student Mary Chipala graduating from MUBAS with a Bachelor's degree in Education.
- Conducted school monitoring visits.

1. Reading Sessions

616

kids attended

Conducted across 3 age groups: 4-6, 7-9 and 10-16 years. Focusing on reading and sentence construction for older kids.



2. Bible Study



202

participants attended

Conducted in 2 groups: 4-15 years and above 16 years. Aiming at building faith among participants.

3. Kids Play Time

173

kids attended

This provides leisure-based activities for children aged 4-16 including watching educational cartoons and playing.



4. Computer Sessions



90

participants attended

Provides basic computer skills and resources.

5. MSCE Classes



7

students attended

Focuses on preparing students for Malawi National Examination Board exams.

6. District Engagement Meeting

Participated them in a team meeting with the Dowa District Council to inform major stakeholders about the Golden Centre initiative and seek input ahead of the official launch.



7. Girls Netball



Sessions held every Monday and Thursday afternoon for girls aged 11-20 providing a platform for games and discussions on “fruitful girls affairs”.

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