

The background of the entire page is a photograph of a smiling woman with dark skin, wearing a blue headwrap and a blue dress with white polka dots. She is standing next to a large, green papaya tree, with her hand near the trunk. The tree is heavily laden with large, green, unripe papayas. The scene is set outdoors with green foliage and a clear sky in the background.

IMPACT REPORT

2023–2024

Providing a hand up, not a hand out

OUR IMPACT AT A GLANCE

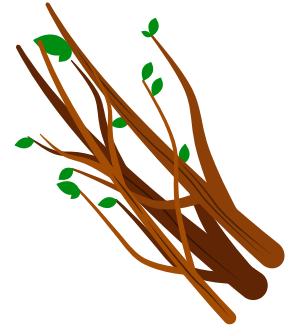
From large-scale Environment projects spanning six Districts to smaller scale Education, Agriculture and Healthcare initiatives in Nkhata Bay District, here is a breakdown of what we do and some of the impact made during the last financial year.





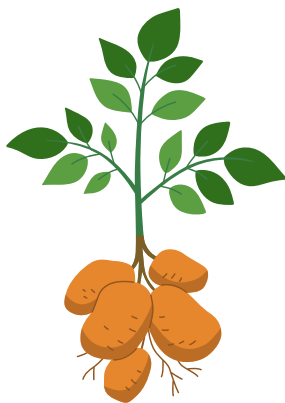
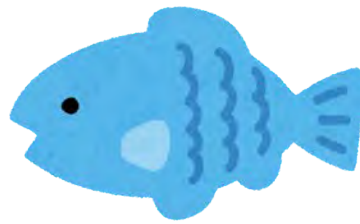


2.6 million
seedlings
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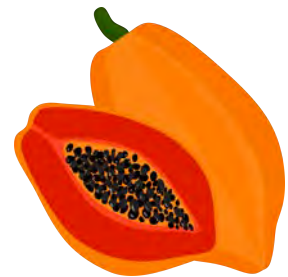


250,000
bundles of
wood saved
each and
every week
on our
fuel-efficient
cookstoves

736km of
lakeshore
protected



1 million sweet
potato vines
produced



15,000 people
now have
access to
clean water



103,830 fruit
tree seedlings
planted by
Community
Clubs

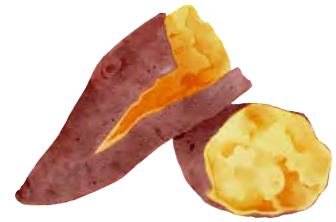


178 disabled clients receive regular therapy, bespoke equipment and vital operations



5,191 books borrowed from the community library

216,000 pre-school meals provided



900 children educated at pre-school each day

5,722 young people reached at Life Skills workshops



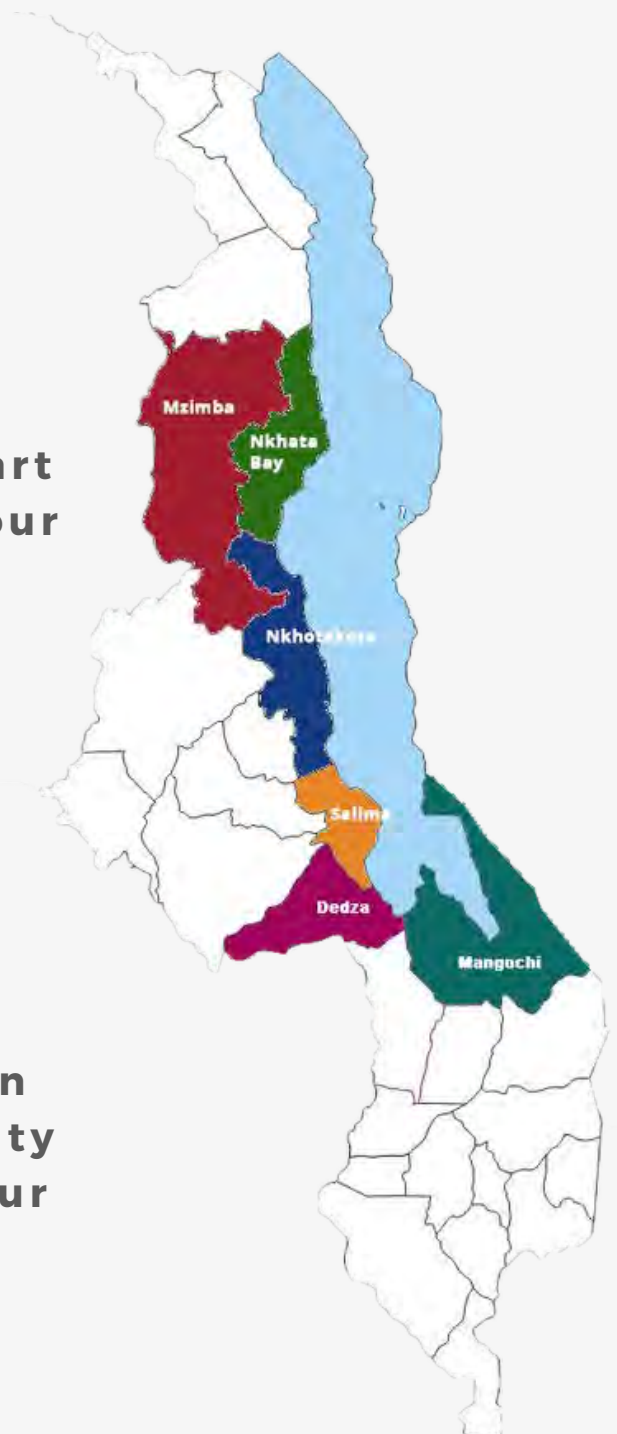
700 staff employed and 15,000 local volunteers make this happen!



ENVIRONMENT PROJECTS

We have 12,130 community members working on a voluntary or part time basis on our environmental projects.

In the Districts where we are working, over two million people are experiencing an improved quality of life due to our projects.



FISH CONSERVATION

THE FISH FOR TOMORROW PROJECT CONTINUED TO OPERATE IN NKHATA BAY, NKHOTAKOTA, SALIMA, DEDZA AND MANGOCHI DISTRICTS WITH FUNDING FROM SEVERAL DONORS INCLUDING THE INTERNATIONAL CONSERVATION FUND OF CANADA, UNESCO, LEWIN TRUST, FONDATION EAGLE AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION.

- The project is protecting fish along 736 kilometres of Lake Malawi's shoreline.
- A total of 446 Beach Village Committees (BVCs) are active and supported by Ripple Africa and Fisheries, and we are directly working with around 4,906 people, 39% of whom are women.
- We have established and protect 133 key fish breeding areas.

Progress on the project has been good in all Districts where the project is running and the focus has been on removing monofilament nets from the lake and preparing for the signing of new District Fisheries bylaws underpinned by District Fisheries Management Plans. We have recently appointed Sam Manda to be the Senior Project Manager for Fish Conservation and he will now be supporting Force Ngwira and managing the project in all Districts.



All Districts have held meetings with stakeholders and have been monitoring BVC performance to ensure that they are carrying out their duties effectively. Some BVCs have required more training and some have had to be revamped with new members being elected. This will be an ongoing exercise to ensure that the BVCs continue to be active partners for District Fisheries in ensuring that all fishers use legal fishing gear and abide by the bylaws.



We are keen to expand the use of the larger meshed Number 12 bunt for Usipa fishers to ensure that only larger Usipa are caught. The trial in Nkhata Bay District has demonstrated that this increases the income of Usipa fishers by ensuring that larger Usipa are caught, allowing juvenile fish to remain in the lake and go on to breed. We have recently introduced the nets to Nkhotakota District but further extension of the trial will need more funding.

We hope that we will soon get the new bylaws signed; this has been delayed as the Minister of Justice has to be satisfied that the bylaws have been developed following the legal process of developing Management Plans for each District which are agreed by all parties. This step has taken much longer than we had hoped but progress has been good in all Districts, even in Mangochi where the project has only recently started.

District	BVCs Supported	Breeding Areas Protected
Nkhata Bay	126	36
Nkhotakota	67	12
Salima	109	40
Dedza	16	7
Mangochi	128	38

Funding from UNESCO for protecting Cichlid fish in the Lake Malawi National Park area ended in August 2023 but we continued to support the project here, albeit on a slightly reduced level, for the rest of the year to maintain momentum until further funding could be secured. A bid to secure further funding was submitted but UNESCO decided to adopt a competitive tendering process which has taken many months to complete. However, as the successful bidder we have now managed to secure funding for a further two years.



WE HAVE SECURED FUNDING FOR A FURTHER TWO YEARS TO PROTECT CICHLID FISH IN LAKE MALAWI NATIONAL PARK



We want to proceed with getting District Fishing Permits introduced in all Districts – this will provide a sustainable income for the project moving forward and District Councils have been generally keen for this new permit system to be introduced. We have indicated to fishers that this will be happening and we will need to develop a simple phone based payment system for them to use. We are also keen to ensure that there are savings groups established in fishing communities so that fishers are able to use their savings to support their families when the closed season is in place.

CHANGU CHANGU MOTO FUEL-EFFICIENT COOKSTOVES

WE HAVE APPOINTED MERCY KHAWULA AS THE SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER FOR THIS PROJECT.

In the expansion area, we are continuing to support the households who are now using fuel-efficient cookstoves under our new Carbon Offsetting Project. District Project Managers run this project on the ground with the help of eight Area Managers, 27 Coordinators and 481 Community Volunteers. So far, we have helped householders to build 85,099 cookstoves:

- 35,775 in Mzimba District
- 23,596 in Nkhokota District
- 25,728 in Salima District

We are also continuing to support the 40,000 households who have cookstoves in Nkhata Bay District and money from sales of the carbon offsets is helping to fund the team here. We have a District Manager, three Area Managers, eight Coordinators and 100 Community Volunteers working here.

Our Changu Changu Moto teams are making sure that any cookstoves damaged by this year's heavy rains are repaired quickly by the householders and our staff are also helping householders to rebuild damaged kitchens where these have been washed away.



WE HAVE 581 COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS WORKING ON THE PROJECT ACROSS THE FOUR DISTRICTS

TREE PLANTING

A YEAR ON FROM EXPANDING INTO THE WHOLE OF MZIMBA DISTRICT, WE HAVE EXPANDED AGAIN INTO TWO MORE DISTRICTS.

We now have a selection of different tree planting projects in Mzimba, Salima and Nkhotakota Districts. Working in more areas means our tree planting team has grown significantly and we are proud that at the end of this financial year, there are 27 people working on this project, led by Angellah who was promoted to Senior Project Manager.

This year we have helped 4,843 farmers and community group members to plant trees in Mzimba District, under our new Carbon Offsetting Project. Funded by investors, our methodology remains the same in that we continue to work with individual farmers and community groups.

Commercial farmers have a financial interest to ensure that the trees grow successfully and we have now recruited some of our more experienced farmers to become lead farmers who are training others to care for their trees effectively.



In Salima and Nkhotakota Districts we are working with farmers and community groups to grow around 500,000 seedlings per District. These seedlings include senna siamea, blue gum, mbawa, mtangatanga, mthewe and nsangu and once they are growing, they will provide people with a sustainable source of firewood and in the longer-term, timber.





This year, our biggest challenges were a poor batch of eucalyptus seeds and unreliable rains. However, despite this, a total of 2,618,895 seedlings were successfully raised and planted out across the three areas but visits in May to several of the farmers in Salima and Nkhotakota Districts found that drought in Salima and flooding in Nkhotakota have sadly led to the loss of some of the trees when planted out.



**2,618,895
SEEDLINGS
PLANTED
OUT**



FOREST CONSERVATION

IN TOTAL, MORE THAN 1,800 LOCAL VOLUNTEERS ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT PROTECTING THEIR FORESTED AREAS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

Our forest conservation projects are continuing in Mzimba and Nkhata Bay Districts, and across the Districts we have 180 conservation committees.

Our teams have been working closely with communities and in Mzimba District this includes supporting the Forest Conservation Committees and Forestry Department with patrols to confiscate illegal charcoal. During 2023, the patrols were responsible for the confiscation of 504 bags of charcoal, 46 bicycles and one motorbike. They also help the committees to develop firebreaks to prevent the spread of forest fires.

Word is spreading of the project's success and the Mzimba Forest Conservation team welcomed local leaders from Dzalanyama in the Central Region. They came to see the protected forests and areas of regrowth, and to learn about the work being done by Ripple Africa with the communities.

The team in Nkhata Bay District have faced the added challenge of people moving into the District who do not understand the project, but they have also received requests to support villages up in the hills to set up Forest Conservation Committees.



WORD IS SPREADING OF THE PROJECT'S SUCCESS



FUTURE PLANS FOR OUR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

- We will continue to seek funds to enable us to continue to support fishing communities to protect fish stocks and to work with District Councils to introduce District fishing permits to provide sustainable long term project funding.
- We hope to eventually expand the Fish for Tomorrow project into Karonga and Rumphi Districts and the islands of Chizumulu and Likoma.
- We will continue to support householders who have installed the Changu Changu Moto cookstove and help further households to build these in new project areas.
- We will continue to support our Forest Conservation Committees to protect trees in the areas in which they work.
- We hope to further expand the tree planting project into new areas of the south of Mzimba District as part of our carbon offsetting scheme.





AGRICULTURE PROJECTS

We are supporting 2,250 farmers and their families through our agriculture projects.

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

1,000



Community Club Members
learning to grow fruit trees, set up
smallholdings and make biochar

1,250



Sweet Potato
Farmers

FRUIT TREES, VEGETABLES AND LIVESTOCK

LED BY MASTON MKANDAWIRE, THE PROJECT HAS WORKED WITH 100 COMMUNITY CLUBS WHO RAISED 103,830 FRUIT TREE SEEDLINGS BETWEEN THEM.

The team is now supporting these clubs to grow vegetables in order to start chicken businesses. Each Community Club is supported for two years. Therefore, during any growing season, there are 50 clubs in their first year and 50 clubs in their second year. We have also worked with 21 schools, who each receive between 40 and 60 fruit tree seedlings, and vulnerable people in the community receive fruit tree seedlings too. Maston ensures that the students who are members of the Environment Clubs at school receive the same training as the Community Clubs.



The positive impact we are already seeing is that quicker growing trees, such as papaya and guava, are ensuring families can provide their children with fruit and sell surplus fruit at market, helping the family buy basic necessities such as soap, and to pay school fees.

Clubs have been sharing their profits from the vegetable and chicken project between members before the main farming season so that everyone can buy what they need for their farms. Some members use this money to start their own little businesses too.

WE HAVE WORKED WITH 21 SCHOOLS TO PLANT FRUIT TREES



IMPROVED SWEET POTATO

IT HAS BEEN A GREAT YEAR ALL ROUND FOR THE SWEET POTATO FARMERS AND THE MULTIPLICATION FARMERS WHO WE WORK WITH IN FIVE EPAS (EXTENSION PROJECT AREAS).



As in previous years, vines were distributed during the rainy season to 1,250 farmers in five different locations. Each farmer received 10 bundles of vines, and there were 100 vines in each bundle. Fifty six percent of the farmers were female and 44% percent were male.

The multiplication farmers have a really important job as they have to grow quality vines which are then distributed to the local farmers. The 25 multiplication farmers produced over a million individual sweet potato vines between them and the money these farmers receive for the vines is allowing some farmers to carry out home maintenance, buy bicycles, fund school fees and improve their farms.

25 MULTIPLICATION FARMERS PRODUCED OVER A MILLION VINES



Francis Singini is the Ripple Africa coordinator for this project and he and the Agriculture Extension Workers provide assistance as and when the farmers need it. When it is time to harvest, the team meet with the farmers to discuss how the first growing season has gone, any challenges the farmers have faced and the benefits of the improved variety of sweet potatoes that they are growing. They also learn how to save the vines for subsequent growing seasons.



As there are more orange-fleshed sweet potatoes available at local markets, our team, with the Agriculture Department, have been hosting Cooking Demonstrations so that the farmers can teach their communities different sweet potato recipes.

BIOCHAR & BRIQUETTES

OUR EARLY TRIALS OF BIOCHAR WERE WITH JUST A COUPLE OF FARMERS, BUT WE ARE NOW TRIALLING THIS WITH FARMERS FROM 50 COMMUNITY CLUBS.

Traditionally in Malawi crop waste is burnt completely to ash and produces a lot of smoke. Making biochar is an excellent soil conditioner and locks the carbon in the ground. Therefore, the farmers have been piling up their crop residue and learning how to burn it efficiently to make biochar. They put the flames out with either water, sand or soil at a specific point so that it does not turn to ash. This is critical to the process.

Once bagged up, the farmers then take it to their homes and mix it with animal waste and water. This process is known as charging. Once charged, it is then added to the soil to increase the soil's nutrients and water retention. Biochar is like a sponge. It will suck up any nutrients around it and not release them until a plant root actively extracts them.



IMPROVING SOIL CONDITIONS AND PROTECTING FORESTS



We are trialling a briquette project too which also uses agricultural waste such as rice husks. This could be a brilliant solution to the demand for charcoal which is more commonly used in urban areas. Equally, if we can support families or groups to make these, they can create a sustainable business. Making the briquettes could be an alternative for those involved in the illegal charcoal industry too.

FUTURE PLANS FOR OUR AGRICULTURE PROJECTS

- We will expand the community fruit tree planting project in Nkhata Bay District.
- We will continue to increase the stocks of orange-fleshed sweet potatoes in our area.
- We will keep training farmers on biochar production and monitor the results on crop yields.
- We will continue to trial the briquette project in our area.







EDUCATION PROJECTS

We are directly supporting 8,387 children and adults through our education projects.

A new manager has been recruited to oversee pre-schools, trainee teachers and library projects.

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

900



**Pre-school
Children**

4,304



**Primary
Students**

697



**Secondary
Students**

2,486



**Library and
Literacy**

PRE-SCHOOLS

DURING THE YEAR, WE RAN TEACHER TRAINING SESSIONS FOR THE 26 TEACHERS ON HYGIENE AND IMPROVED THE STORAGE OF TOYS AND RESOURCES AT ALL PRE-SCHOOLS.

The training session was carried out by the UK General Manager and two healthcare volunteers and used a UV Germ liquid to demonstrate the importance of good handwashing. The teachers had never seen anything like this before and were amazed to see how it worked.

In addition to the hygiene training, 14 of our pre-school teachers were selected by Nkhata Bay District Social Welfare team to attend a two-week training course to become Early Childhood Development Mentors. The training covered child development, learning through play, healthcare and hygiene, nutrition, children's rights and the care of children with special needs.



**14 OF OUR
PRE-SCHOOL
TEACHERS
ARE EARLY
CHILDHOOD
DEVELOPMENT
MENTORS**



The building team have removed a tree and repaired cracks at Kathenthere Pre-school and the building was then repainted.

Each pre-school has received new storage containers and other cleaning materials to keep resources clean and ensure the children are able to properly wash their hands before their school meal is served.

We continue to have around 900 children registered at our eight preschools.



We were proud to host graduation ceremonies at all eight pre-schools in July. Almost 200 children graduated and started primary school in September. Parents were welcome to attend the ceremonies and the children showed what they had learnt during their time at pre-school. At several pre-schools, some of the children came dressed as what they want to be when they grow up including joining the army, becoming a teacher, being a nurse or doctor and for some, aspirations to be the future President. Congratulations to our teachers too.



PRIMARY EDUCATION

WE WERE ABLE TO PROVIDE TEACHER SUBJECT GUIDE TEXTBOOKS AND SPORTS EQUIPMENT TO THE SIX PRIMARY SCHOOLS WE SUPPORT.

We have continued to fund four trainee teachers at local primary schools to supplement the government teaching staff, and carried out maintenance at Matete Primary School.

As well as maintenance work, we received funding to provide three of the primary schools with new batteries so that the solar lighting works in their Standard 8 classrooms.

We previously funded the initial installations but the batteries, unfortunately, do not last forever. The impact of the lighting is huge as the Standard 8 pupils attend extra lessons in the evenings ahead of their end of primary school examinations.

SOLAR LIGHTING REPAIRED FOR STANDARD 8 EVENING REVISION CLASSES

We have continued to support the primary schools with our other projects including our Fruit Tree Project, Family Planning and Sexual Health Project and our Disabilities and Rehabilitation Project.

As well as the six schools we support, we provided fruit trees and training to a further 15 primary schools. Our Family Planning and Sexual Health team continue to support the teachers with Life Skills lessons and our Disabilities and Rehabilitation team have carried out more teacher training and awareness sessions.



SECONDARY EDUCATION

WITH SUPPORT FROM FONDATION EAGLE, WE HAVE STARTED CONSTRUCTION OF ANOTHER NEW DOUBLE CLASSROOM BLOCK TO CATER FOR THE ADDITIONAL STUDENTS NOW ATTENDING THE SCHOOL.

We were able to provide school textbooks to the school's library, and we received funding to purchase new science equipment including chemicals for experiments. This provides students at the school the opportunity to practice what they are learning as many schools in Malawi do not have the luxury of a science laboratory.

Funding also meant we could support the school with the purchase of a new printer as their old one had broken. The heavy duty printer is a key piece of equipment as the teachers rely on it for printing tests, end of year examination papers and for report writing.

The 2023 MSCE examination results for Form Four students, from both Day and Open School, saw 50% of Day Students passing and 63% of Open School students passing.

Open School is offered in the afternoon for anyone wishing to attend or repeat Secondary School. More often than not, students that can afford one more year of fees, will resit Form 4 to improve on their grades for a chance at gaining a spot at university. This year, six students from Kapanda CDSS were offered university places.

Within the top 10 were four female students and the pupil taking top spot for Day School was Victor Banda with 24 points.



**FOUR FEMALE
STUDENTS IN
THE TOP 10**



COMMUNITY LIBRARY

YEAR-ON-YEAR THE NUMBER OF VISITORS TO THE LIBRARY HAS INCREASED AND WE ARE REALLY PLEASED TO SEE MORE PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS COMING TO THE LIBRARY, MAINLY THANKS TO THE EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CHILDREN'S READING CLUB.

In September 2023 we introduced five afternoon classes a week in different villages to bridge the English-learning gap in Standards 1 to 4 and help children to explore books. Each afternoon session is split into four activities including phonics, story-telling, speaking and a game.

This year, 5,191 books were borrowed from the library. We registered 2,574 Readers who came to the library to read the newspapers or books, and welcomed 99 new members.

After the successful reference book audit in 2022, the team carried out an audit of novels and children's books during the summer of 2023. Lots of books have been donated to members of the community so that we can make way for new books for the library. We are passionate that the library stocks the most up-to-date and relevant books that the community want and need.

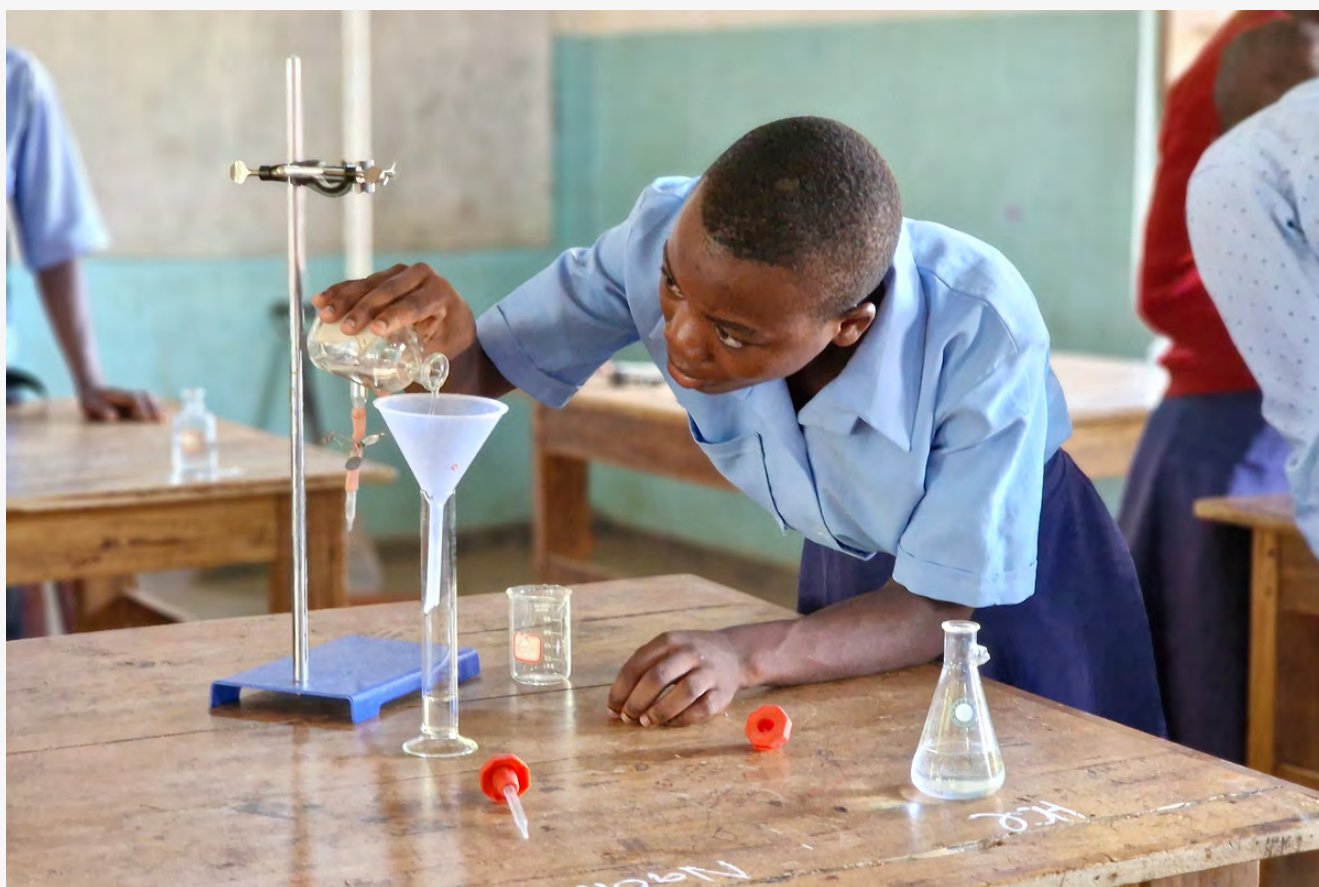
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Allamson continues to host Adult Education classes four times a week, twice a week at Mwaya Community Library and twice a week at Mazembe Primary School, as well as an Adult Literacy class on Fridays. The students attending Adult Education are those who are enrolled in Open School at Kapanda Secondary School so Allamson provides them with extra lessons before they go to school, or they are students in the Day School system who come for after-school support. A variety of subjects are taught with English being the main priority.



FUTURE PLANS FOR OUR EDUCATION PROJECTS

- We will continue to run the eight pre-schools and ensure the children receive an early years education and daily meal of sweet potato.
- We will continue to maintain primary school buildings when funding allows.
- We will continue to fund four trainee teachers as long as funding permits.
- We will continue to support and run the Library, Adult Education and Children's Reading Clubs, and we will buy additional books when funding is available.







HEALTHCARE PROJECTS

We have helped 29,178 people through our healthcare projects.

DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

178



Disability and Rehabilitation clients

14,000



Family Planning and Sexual Health reach

15,000



Clean Water

DISABILITIES AND REHABILITATION

LOVENESS QOTO, OUR NEW DISABILITIES AND REHABILITATION PROJECT MANAGER, JOINED THE TEAM IN OCTOBER 2023 AS MATILDA HAS NOW BEEN PROMOTED TO SUPPORT OUR COUNTRY DIRECTOR AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM.

Before Matilda left the team, she carried out awareness training with teachers, parent groups and students to help integrate children with disabilities into local schools.

At the end of the year, we have 178 clients registered with the project, including 38 new clients. Fifty six percent are male and the average age is 11. As in 2022, 15% of our clients rely on nutritional support and 39% of the clients are not walking – a very small change on last year. We funded 23 clients to receive hospital check-ups or referrals for specialist equipment and 10 clients to have operations. Sixty two percent of clients showed improvements by the end of the year.

Unfortunately, we did not have any visiting physiotherapists this year, but we did have doctors and a nurse who supported with wound dressings, etc., on pressure sores and we welcomed a music therapy volunteer.



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178 CLIENTS
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WITH THE
PROJECT**

FAMILY PLANNING AND SEXUAL HEALTH

THIS YEAR THERE HAS BEEN A BIG EMPHASIS ON USING SPORT TO DELIVER HEALTH MESSAGES TO YOUNGSTERS AT THE CHILDREN'S CORNERS THAT WERE ESTABLISHED IN 2022.

Weekly meetings took place with youth groups and after an open learning and discussion session, they then play football or netball. This year saw more girls encouraged to play football too.

Watson and Rebecca have continued to work with schools, couples and other community groups too, encouraging the use of contraception and discuss the impact of family size on income and natural resources.

During the school sessions we are able to reach an average of 50 children at a time so the youth groups outside of school have been instrumental in reaching more youngsters. We have been working with more than 3,000 students at 12 schools and have 5,722 young people registered across nine sports teams, eight Children's Corners and various youth groups.



**WORKING WITH
MORE THAN 3,000
STUDENTS AT 12
SCHOOLS**



Watson and Rebecca also met with around 4,500 adults within our local communities. They met at village banks, women's groups (known locally as kitchen top-up groups), sports events and with couples and individuals. They also attend Under Five, antenatal and postnatal clinics.

Throughout the year we learnt that many girls are allowing boys to touch them intimately in exchange for money so they can purchase sanitary pads to be able to attend school. Therefore, we applied for and have received funding for a pilot menstrual cup project. We hope that this will reduce the number of girls seeking funds for their sanitary products in dangerous ways. We want to address the issue by talking about consent too.



CLEAN WATER

We received funding from Fondation Eagle to repair a further 100 boreholes in Nkhotakota District. Heavy rains delayed the start of this project but the repairs have now been carried out. We have also secured funding from two further donors to repair more boreholes in Salima District.



FUTURE PLANS FOR OUR HEALTHCARE PROJECTS

- We will continue to support existing Disabilities and Rehabilitation clients and strengthen links with other healthcare providers such as MACOHA and Mzuzu Central Hospital Prosthetics and Orthotics Centre.
- We will assist with Healthcare building projects if funds allow.
- We will assist Mwaya Dispensary in a minor way.
- We plan to continue running and carrying out research through the Family Planning and Sexual Health project.
- We hope to provide girls with menstrual cups if funding allows.
- We would like to continue to fundraise to repair broken wells and boreholes.



THE TEAM

In the UK, co-founders, Geoff and Liz Furber, have continued to work for the Charity for no pay. Pam Haigh is the UK General Manager, Nikki Khoram is Corporate Partnerships Manager and Project Coordinator, Tina Hodges is Data Manager and Claire Battersby is Ripple Africa's UK Administrator. Our part time Marketing Consultant, Laura Massey has been on maternity leave since September 2023 but will be returning to work in the UK office in June 2024. Kaitlin Shendale is based in Malawi for nine months of the year and works remotely during the rainy season as Volunteer and Visitor Coordinator and Project Assistant.

In the US, Kay Yoder has been managing Ripple Africa, Inc, and has supported our work on a voluntary basis. In the last 12 months we have received £97,428.26 from Ripple Africa, Inc, towards our projects.

In Malawi, our Country Director is Force Ngwira; we recently celebrated his 20 year anniversary of working with Ripple Africa. At the end of the year, 201 Malawian staff were employed by Ripple Africa, and almost 15,000 local people worked with us on a voluntary or part time basis on our environmental projects. Matilda Mwale is now our Human Resources Manager, based in Chintheche and Morton Banda is our Mwaya Manager overseeing local building projects.



VOLUNTEERS & VISITORS

This was the first year since the pandemic that volunteer and visitor numbers have really increased. We welcomed 14 volunteers – 10 of these were healthcare professionals, three volunteered on education projects and we had one project support volunteer. Over the year, we had 45 visitors, of whom 12 were children, as during the summer we welcomed several families. We also resumed the Aldenham School trip with four teachers bringing 12 students. During the rainy season, we welcomed a Relief and Rescue group of nine students and three leaders.

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT US

Ripple Africa is a UK registered charity (1103256 and SC043082) focused on conservation, agriculture, education and healthcare in northern Malawi, Africa. Founded in 2003, our mission is:

- To preserve and sustainably develop the environment
- To create opportunities for local communities
- To improve the standard of education and healthcare near our base in Nkhata Bay District

Ripple Africa's ethos is "providing a hand UP and not a hand out," and we work by finding simple solutions to locally identified problems. We are the catalyst helping Malawians to sustainably manage their natural resources community by community.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

IN OUR LAST FINANCIAL YEAR, £2,400,915 (APPROX. \$3M) WAS RAISED FOR MALAWI-BASED CONSERVATION, AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION AND HEALTHCARE INITIATIVES, THANKS TO THE SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY OF OUR DONORS AND PARTNERS.

Direct project costs accounted for 92% of our spend with only 8% on administration and fundraising costs.

