



January  
2026

# Malawi Crises

## Torrential Rains

Road to Khwamba impassible  
Crops, homes, livestock, and lives lost

## Dry spells in other areas

Threaten crop yields

## Economic Hardships

Tax increases  
41% fuel price increase: \$8 to \$11.3 per gallon

## Safety and Crime

Volatile lean season (food security) and economic challenges

# CHRISTMAS OFFERING 2025

*Proposed:*

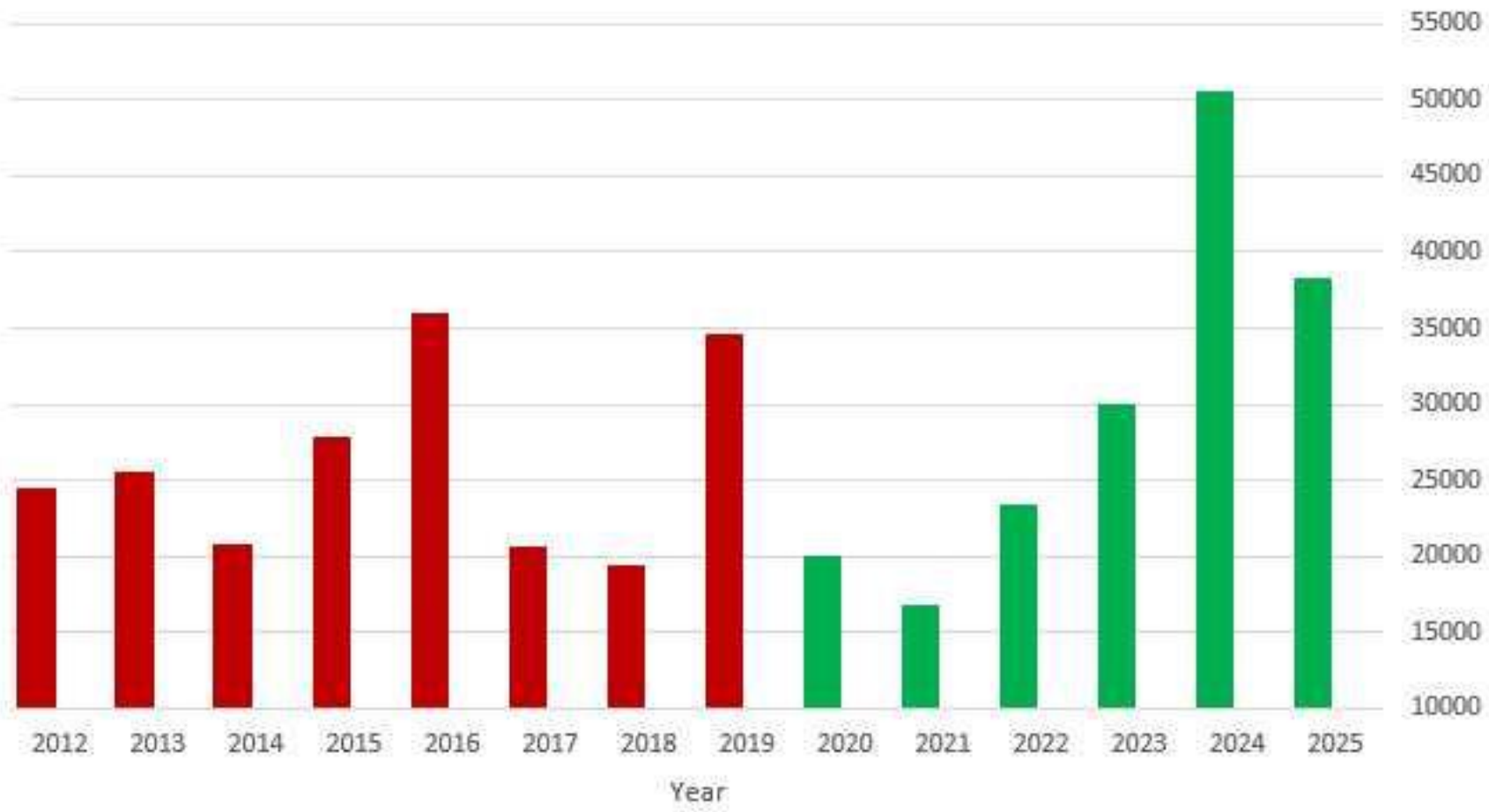
*Build 3 classrooms at Katondo :  
\$24,742*

# CHRISTMAS OFFERING 2025

*Goal: 38,000*

*Received: 38,400*

LCPC Christmas Offering  
2012 - 2025



# Malawi Visions Development Priorities 2026

Food Security  
Education  
Vocational

# 2025 PROGRAMS

Mponela: 6th Solar Irrigation & garden

Resolve Katondo Irrigation

Expand 1<sup>st</sup> TLIP-EE at Khwamba

Initiate 2<sup>nd</sup> TLIP-EE - - at Mponela

Develop New MV Programs Officer, Michael



2025 :  
LARGEST SHIPMENT  
EVER

*NEXT SHIPMENT 2027*













22,000 LBS !

280 boxes books = 5,000 books

12 sewing machines

45 small tables

7 large tables

120 children chairs

20 library shelves

Pumps, controls

Piano keyboard, etc, etc.

# COLLECTIONS IN 2026

BOOKS & BIBLES TO CONTINUE  
(WE NEED HELP PLASTIC WRAPPING)

BUT . . .  
2026 PRIORITY IS SEWING  
MACHINES

# MPONELA IRRIGATION

6<sup>TH</sup> AND LAST SOLAR PROGRAM

REMOTE GARDEN

NOW A TEMPLATE



















# Satellite “Farms”

*Food security is in crisis*

<i>Mponela</i>	<i>2025</i>	<i>5 acres</i>
<i>Chimwang'ombe</i>	<i>2026</i>	<i>3 acres</i>
<i>Khwamba</i>	<i>2027</i>	<i>2 acres</i>

CHIMWANG'OMBE  
FARM

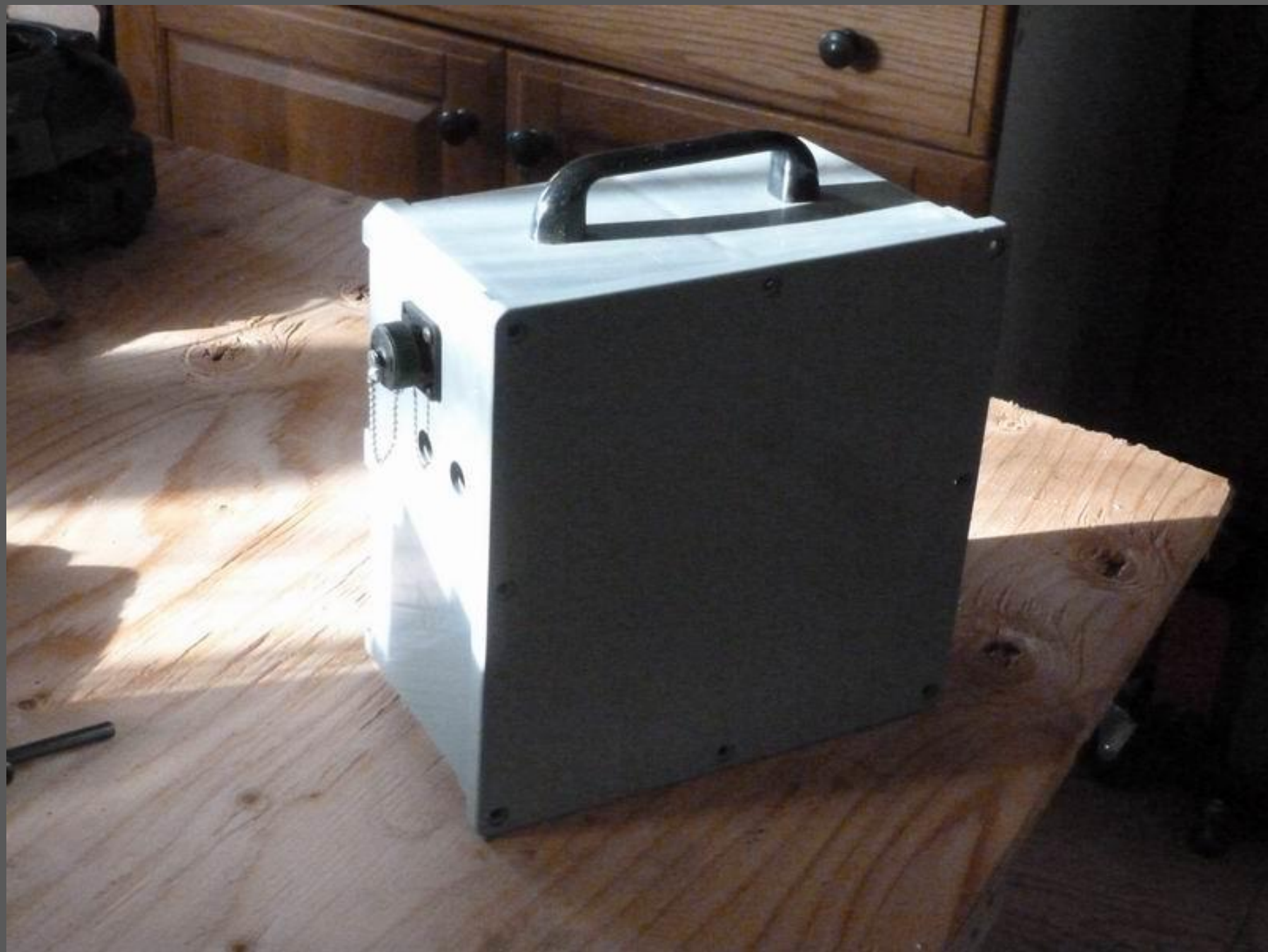


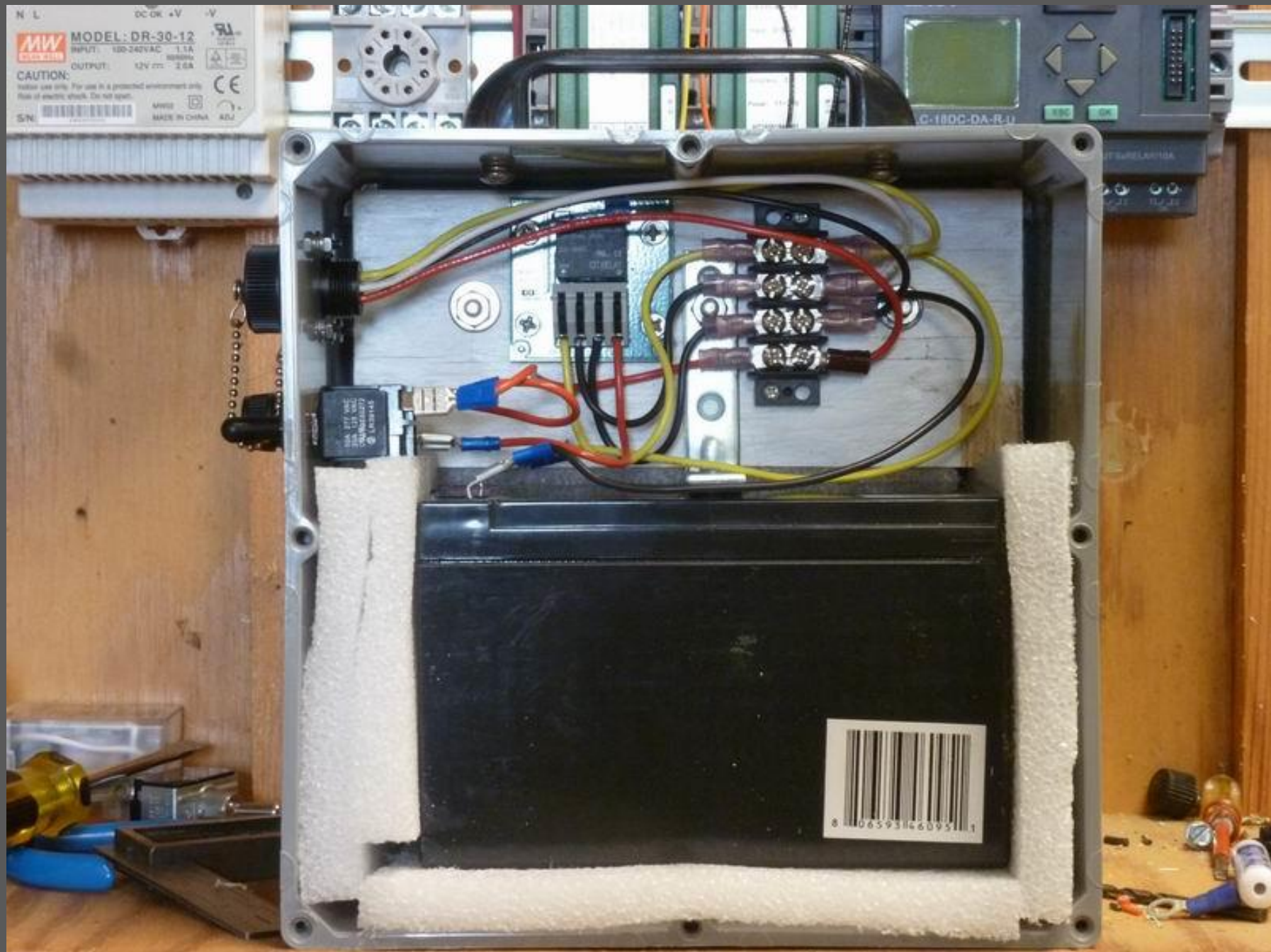


BATTERY BOXES

# KHWAMBA BATTERY BOX PROGRAM

The battery box program continues to progress well with the 10 selected households. All battery boxes are functioning effectively, providing reliable lighting to the households. On average, each battery box operates for 12 hours before requiring recharging. The project team has been recording usage for each box to ensure optimal utilization. Children from these households are benefiting significantly, as the availability of lighting makes it easier for them to study, which is expected to contribute to improved academic performance.















# LIBRARY UPGRADES



















# LIBRARY USAGE

HIRED LIBRARIANS

HELP KIDS BOOK SELECTION

STUDY TIME USEAGE UP SIGNIFICANTLY

GROUP READING SESSIONS

READ-ALOID STORY TIME

TRACK BOOK USE

# BOOK USAGE

MOST FREQUENTLY READ

ANIMALS

EASY READING

MIDDLE-LEVEL READING



Mponela Library



TV MONITOR  
AT  
MATAPILA









# SEWING MACHINES

2026 PRIORITY:

COLLECT AND RESTORE  
12 SINGER "RED-EYES"

[https://www.malawivisions.com/treadle  
\\_sewing\\_machines](https://www.malawivisions.com/treadle_sewing_machines)







# MPONELA SCHOOL UNIFORMS

These uniforms are more than just a school requirement, they have become a source of motivation and pride for children who had never owned a proper school uniform before. The activity also helped learners apply their new skills to a real-life project, boosting their confidence and reinforcing the importance of community service.

SKIRTS AND  
SHORTS



**TLIP &  
EARLY  
ENGLISH**





Mponela TLIP



Khwamba TLIP



Khwamba Classroom



Matapila Center

# MPONELA NEW TLIP/EE 2025

## Quote #1

To enhance learning and motivation, teachers incorporated interactive teaching methods such as games and English songs, which encouraged consistent attendance and active participation. In addition to learners' textbooks, Bob Books and flashcards continued to be used as supplementary learning materials. These tools proved effective in supporting children's comprehension and making lessons easier to understand.

# MPONELA NEW TLIP/EE 2025

## Quote #2

Public school teachers noted that the Early English lessons provided at the center significantly contributed to improved classroom performance and increased competition among learners, as the children demonstrated a stronger foundation in English, enabling them to understand lessons more easily.

# MPONELA NEW TLIP/EE 2025

## Quote #3

A major achievement recorded during the month was the noticeable improvement in English speaking skills among all children participating in the program at Mponela. Learners were able to interact with their peers using English, demonstrating increased language proficiency. Additionally, the program contributed to improved self-confidence and public speaking skills, as children became more expressive and less shy during class activities.

# KATONDO WATER DEVELOPMENT

*Had neither water nor irrigation*

MATAPILA  
2026

# Katondo Resolution(s)

## *Existing Well & Installation*

1. *Engage reputable engineering firm to review, retest, and evaluate true capacity*
2. *Switch to lower throughput pump*

CHIMWANG'OMBE  
DIRECTOR'S  
HOUSE  
2026

## Gladys Mkuleza's Transformative Work

**P**aul Sigmund, from our partner Malawi Visions, recently returned from Malawi and reported on the remarkable transformation of the center at Chimwang'ombe due to the efforts of center Director Gladys Mkuleza.

When Gladys joined the Ministry of Hope's Chimwang'ombe Community Development Center in 2013, the center's garden lay barren and dry. With determination and newly gained training in conservation agriculture, Gladys led a remarkable transformation. Within a year, vegetables flourished again, and in 2015, an irrigation borehole and solar-powered system from Malawi Visions fueled year-round production.

Gladys turned the garden into a self-sustaining enterprise—selling onions and sugar cane to fund operations, pay workers, and buy goats and pigs for natural fertilizer. Surplus crops financed the purchase of more land, expanding production. Average yields of maize grew from 30 to 200 bags of 50kgs each and sharply reduced dependence on external aid.

This abundance transformed lives beyond the fields. The center's feeding program grew from 200 to over 2,200 children daily. Improved nutrition boosted school attendance and performance—secondary school enrollment rose from 8 to 110 students, with 30 now in university, and girls' participation soared.

Gladys has planted the seeds of hope at Chimwang'ombe, and the children of that community are reaping the fruits of resilience and sustainable growth.

Last spring Ministry of Hope started a



*Gladys Mkuleza*

salary-supplement initiative to help MoH staff cope with inflation. Our donors responded generously, and with an additional \$1,750 a month in the budget, Ministry of Hope was able fund a 25% raise for all staff, which was a huge boost to morale. However, the inflation rate has continued unabated. Prices of basic commodities over the past 2-3 years have more than tripled. For example, a bag of fertilizer has gone up from 27,000 Malawi Kwacha (\$15 USD) to 175,000 (\$100USD).

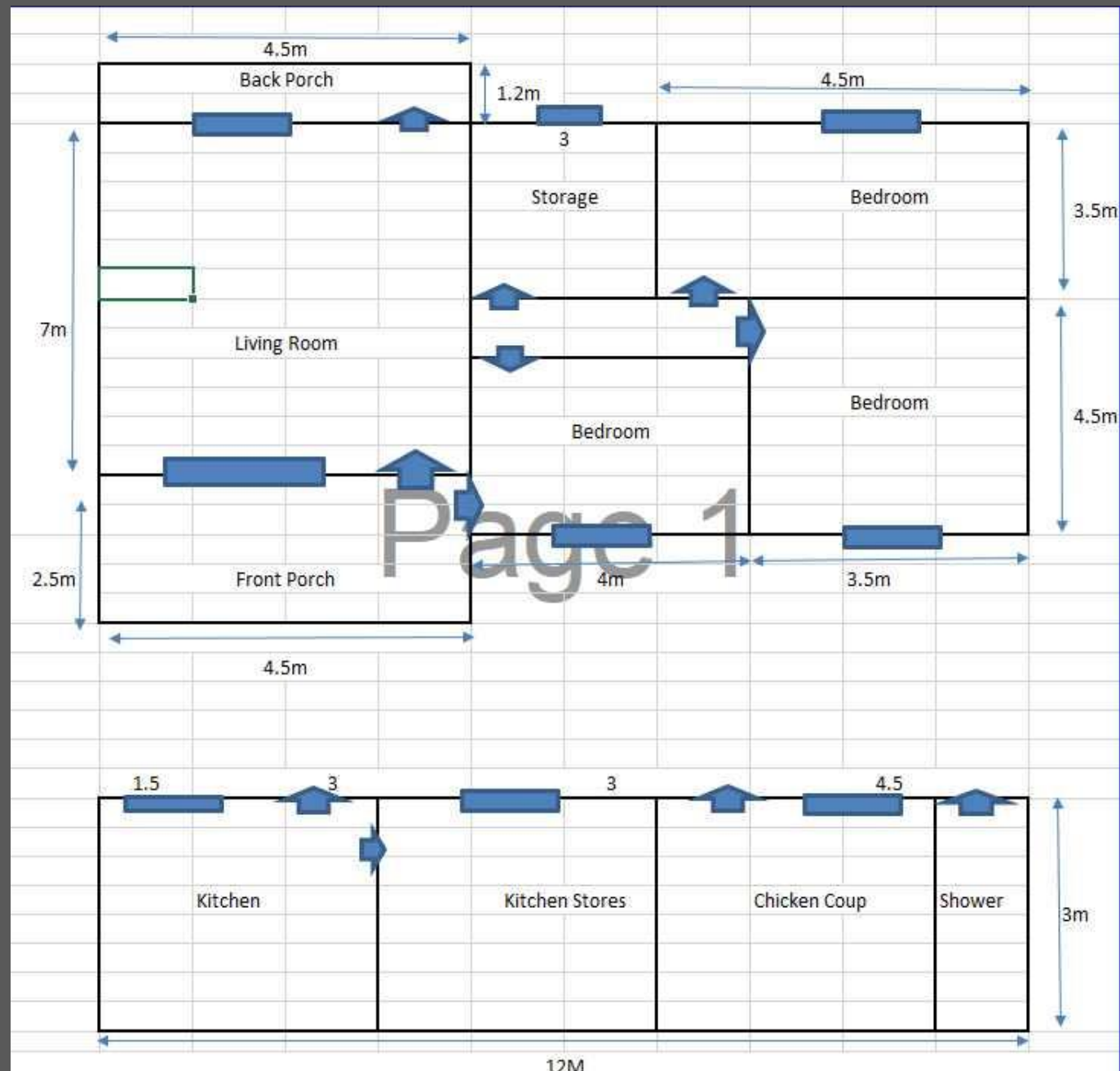
We are hoping to provide another cost of living raise this coming year. Gifts to Ministry of Hope's general operating fund help ensure center directors like Gladys are supported through this inflationary surge so they can keep their focus on sustainable programs and ministry, not personal survival.

## A Hope Harvester Needs a Home

Under Gladys's leadership, Chimwang'ombe has blossomed and become a model of community resilience and sustainable growth. But this has come with significant personal sacrifices for Gladys and her family. There is no director's house at Chimwang'ombe, and Gladys and her husband must make an hour and a half round trip each day from their village over a very difficult dirt road. Their daily commute costs them over \$10 USD. In the rainy season when the road becomes treacherous or during gas shortages, they are forced to sleep on the floor of a center classroom for days at a time. Their own children must often care for themselves.

Building a director's house would place Gladys in the community and enable her to continue her work as center director while also caring for her own family. A donor at Liberty Corner Presbyterian Church in New Jersey is willing to fund \$10,000, or half of the \$20,000 cost of building a director's house. That donor is looking for others to match the remaining \$10,000, and so, we are placing this request before our supporters and praying that God might help meet the match.

To give to this matching gift opportunity, please note the designation "Director's House" on your check or through our online portal select "Director's House."



### Chimwang'ombe Center Supervisor House Construction: 2026 Budget

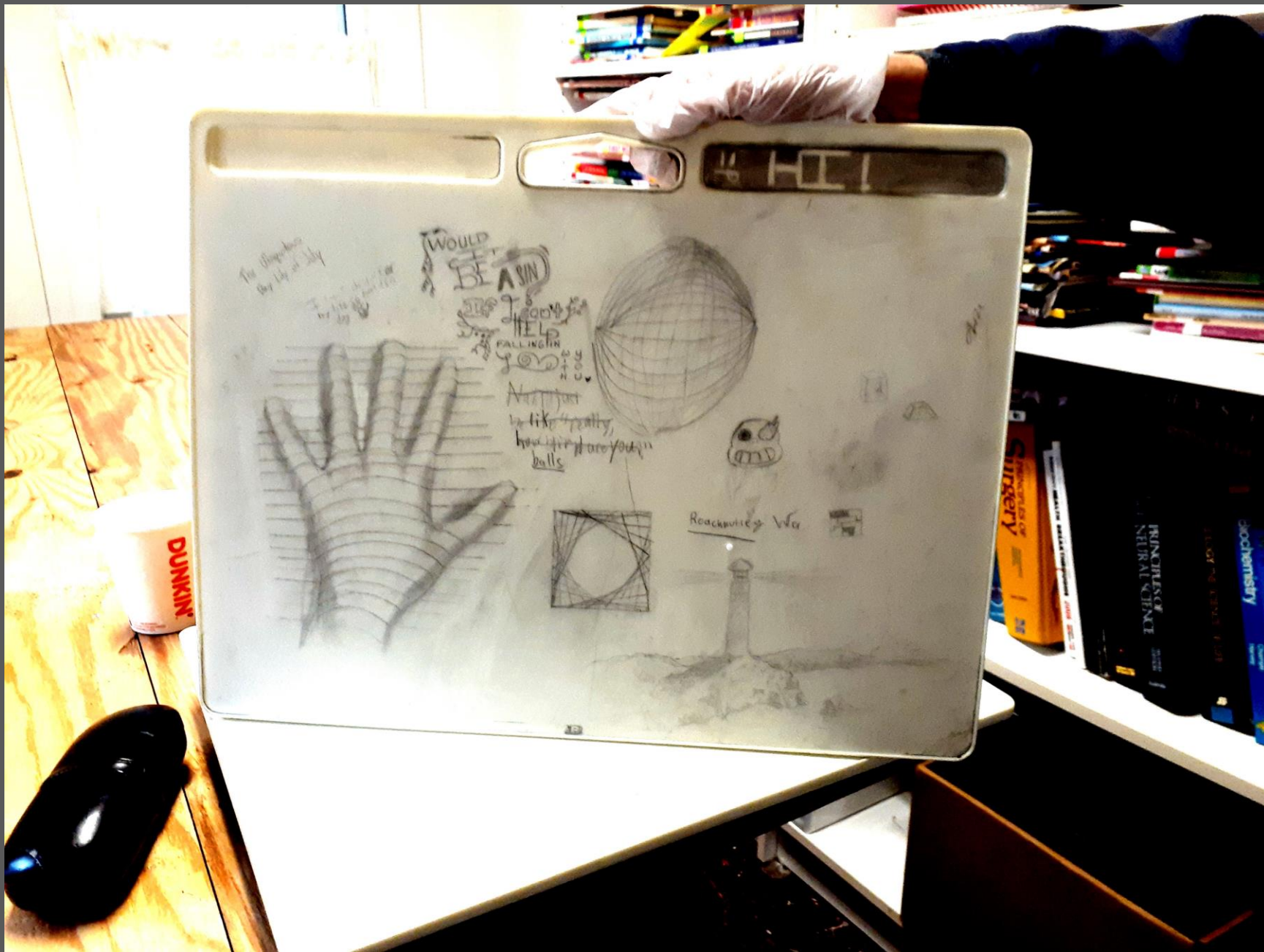
Item	Quantity	Unit Price	Total	Total US\$
Iron Sheets	50	45,000.00	2,250,000	1,285
Iron Sheets	16	50,000.00	800,000	457
Roofing Nails	15	12,000.00	180,000	103
Wire Nails	26	10,000.00	260,000	148
Solignum	2	90,000.00	180,000	103
Chrodine	2	85,000.00	170,000	97
Cement	175	40,000.00	7,000,000	3,998
Ridges	8	32,000.00	256,000	146
Bricks	60000	50.00	3,000,000	1,713
Sand	10	350,000.00	3,500,000	1,999
Soft Wire	4	15,000.00	60,000	34
Timbers				0
6*2	30	45,000.00	1,350,000	771
4*2	35	40,000.00	1,400,000	800
3*2	40	30,000.00	1,200,000	685
Window Frames	8	250,000.00	2,000,000	1,142
Door Frames	10	100,000.00	1,000,000	571
Window Stays	8	10,000.00	80,000	46
Window handles	8	10,000.00	80,000	46
Doors (Hardwood)	5	180,000.00	900,000	514
Doors (Flash)	5	160,000.00	800,000	457
Rim Locks	10	85,000.00	850,000	485
Lime	5	45,000.00	225,000	128
Paint	10	130,000.00	1,300,000	742
Airvents	18	8,000.00	144,000	82
Glasses & Putty	72	8,000.00	576,000	329
Celing	1	4,000,000.00	4,000,000	2,284
Labor			0	0
Roofing	1	2,500,000.00	2,500,000	1,428
Constructions Works	1	5,000,000.00	5,000,000	2,856
			0	0
Transportation	10	200,000.00	2,000,000	1,142
<b>Total Budget</b>			<b>43,061,000</b>	<b>24,592</b>

# JAZZ FUNDRAISER 2026

*November 14 ?*

# THE LAP-DESKS





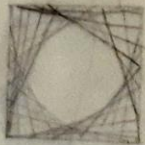
The Alphabet  
Say it out loud

WOULD  
BE  
A  
SIN

I'd really  
like to see  
you in  
balls



Rockville, Va



Surgery

PRINCIPLES OF  
NATURAL SCIENCE

biochemistry



Lap-desks at Khwamba



