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Greetings from the Chairperson

Dear Reader,

We are pleased to share with you the report for the year 2020, a year where DAPP Malawi turned 25 years of being a local NGO, working shoulder to shoulder with the people of Malawi.

Throughout the year we continued to support the Malawi Government and the people by working with communities to promote health, social and economic development through the implementation of projects in Agriculture, Education & Vocational Training, Health and Community Development.

With our programs we aim to empower the poor people to get out of poverty through the implementation of programs that enables them to change their living conditions and prospects by organising together and continuously building new capacities. The training to build capacities is carried out through our teacher training program, vocational skills training for youth, our farmers' clubs, through the informal training of communities in areas of livelihood, community development and health.

The year 2020 definitely made us all aware that we need to work together to find solutions during hard time. The Covid-19 pandemic brought another challenge to overcome for the people of Malawi on top of the already existing challenges that the many people fight every day – of ensuring food, education, health and basic living conditions for themselves and their families. Many stayed the course by reaching out to their neighbours, communities and workplaces – using the means and resources available and following the guidelines from the Ministry of Health and WHO.

The focus was for many months on how to protect ourselves and one another on not getting the virus and not spreading it. As DAPP Malawi we are grateful that we managed to keep the programs running, finding alternative solutions on implementation, where needed and we thank our committed staff who took part both at our schools and in the communities and the continued commitment from our partners.

Malawi, the continent and the world at large and its people, are already living through a time in history, with huge and unsolved challenges, where no solutions are easily found. We will have to continue to promote the solidarity humanism amongst people by establishing the foundation upon which this can be created. This means creating the organisational framework to give as many people as possible the access to participate actively in the development of the country and creation of their future. The Sustainable Development Goals continue to serve as an overall point of reference for the programs and activities undertaken during 2020, which are presented in the following pages.

A big thank you to the Malawian people, the team of employed staff at all levels of DAPP Malawi, the students at our schools, the farmers in our farmers’ clubs, the women in the care-groups, activists and volunteers, our funding and implementation partners, the Government of Malawi and other national and international collaborators, for all the work carried out and results achieved throughout 2020, despite the challenges this special year brought us.

We hope you will enjoy reading our report.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees

Charlotte Danckert, Chairperson
**vision**
DAPP envisions a society in which communities are self-sustainable and have an improved quality of life.

**mission**
DAPP Malawi’s mission is to work with communities in Malawi by promoting social and economic development through programs related to health, education training, food security, community development, fundraising and environment.
MAP OF MALAWI SHOWING WHERE DAPP IS WORKING

Where We are Working
- Karonga
- Mzimba
- Dowa
- Lilongwe
- Kasungu
- Salima
- Dedza
- Ntcheu
- Balaka
- Machinga
- Zomba
- Mangoche
- Chiradzulu
- Blantyre
- Thyolo
- Chikwawa
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For the past 25 years, DAPP Malawi has proudly played a significant role in improving lives, tackling poverty, improving access to qualified and dedicated teachers in rural primary schools, increasing food security among smallholder farmers and combating the spread of major diseases in Malawi such as HIV & AIDS, TB and Malaria. Since 1995, we have reached and impacted the lives of more than three million people in Malawi, many of whom continue to rely on our humanitarian work and services.

DAPP started its development work in 1995. It was registered in 1996 under the Registered Trustees Incorporation Act. DAPP Malawi is also registered with the NGO Board of Malawi as a local non-profit making Non-Government Organization.

As per our vision and mission statement we work to create communities that are self-sustainable and have an improved quality of life. The people of Malawi are our focus, their lives matter and 25 years on we continue to work shoulder to shoulder with the people. Our interventions seek to create conducive environments for children to grow up healthy and strong, food security for families, access to education and skills for every child and support in the fight against the TB and HIV epidemics, diseases and pandemics.
Second-hand Clothes & Shoes
With the aim to create income for our social development projects and at the same time secure the people access to good quality, second hand clothing DAPP Second-hand Clothes & Shoes Project was started in 1995 as the first DAPP project.

- The DAPP Clothes & Shoes project has substantially contributed to the financing of the DAPP social projects.
- The Clothes & Shoes Project has been and still is an important workplace for many Malawians who through this project who have acquired leadership skills and skills in customer care, data collection, accounting, administration, controls, security, branding, presentation/outlook and promotion.
- The Clothes & Shoes Project is further an important source of income for our many customers who have earned a living from buying second hand clothes from DAPP and reselling it at the market places.
- DAPP Malawi is today running 20 outlets and shops throughout the country.

Child Aid
Children need a good foundation for them to develop to their full potential. The Child Aid project builds on the idea that the people in a community start working together in a structured way. Through discussing in common and they decide to take actions to solve issues of mutual interest in order to create and ensure a safe and conducive environment for the children. Such actions has included malaria prevention, adult literacy, establishment of ECD centres and youth clubs and not least improvement regarding sanitation and hygiene.

- In 1995 DAPP Malawi started the first Child Aid project in Chiradzulu District reaching out to 4000 families.
- As of today over 252,000 families have been engaged in DAPP Child Aid Projects in 12 districts across the country.

Vocational Skills Training
The youth in Malawi faces many economic challenges due to lack of skills and competency to establish businesses or become employable. In 1997, DAPP established the DAPP Mikolongwe Vocational School – first in the Providence Industrial Mission (PIM) in Chiradzulu district. The school soon became popular and was in 1998 moved to Mikolongwe.

- To date the school offering 11 courses ranging from construction to tailoring & fashion design, community development, financial accounting, agriculture and hair & beauty salon courses.
- Thousands of youth have got a more solid foundation through the trainings at Mikolongwe Vocational School or via the outreach programs.
- Many have has started their own businesses or become employed.
Teacher Training
DAPP Malawi saw the need for training of primary school teachers after the introduction of free primary school education in 1995. In close collaboration with the Ministry of Education and funding from various partners the four DAPP Teacher Training Colleges known as Chilangoma TTC, Amalika TTC, Dowa TTC and Mzimba TTC were established during the period from 2002 to 2012.

- Today more than 3300 teachers have graduated from these colleges
- The DAPP graduated teachers have joined forces with the teachers’ council, the parents and the communities to improve the school environment and to strive to make every child learn and complete primary schools by using various teaching approaches and teaching aid made from locally available resources.
- Some of the teachers works together in a network of graduated DAPP teachers to continue to provide inspiration to each and stick together in improving the school and learning environments
- Many graduated teachers have been part of providing in-service teacher training in primary schools

Combating HIV & AIDS, TB, Malaria and Pandemics
DAPP began its work to tackle the HIV/AIDS epidemic in 1998 when its first HOPE project was launched. HOPE established community HIV facilities that served as resource hubs and activity centers for everyone in a given community.

Building on this work, DAPP has worked closely with the Malawi Government since 2007 to combat and prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis (TB), and malaria through its innovative program, Total Control of the Epidemic (TCE). TCE is a comprehensive and systematic HIV/AIDS prevention and care model that combines counseling, field-testing, education, and community mobilization.

- DAPP Malawi has used community various approaches to prevent TB and Malaria and also trained health care workers and volunteers to be part of the fight against the spread of these diseases.
- DAPP Malawi has in year 2020 been playing an active role in the prevention of the spread of the coronavirus as well following the guidelines laid down by the Ministry of Health in Malawi.
- We have worked with the thousands of pregnant women and lactating mothers in order to reduce malnutrition in children of 0 – 2 years of age.
Agriculture & Climate Change

Agriculture being a key drive in the economic growth in Malawi, DAPP has continued building the capacity of small scale farmers organized in clubs. This is done to help the farmers benefit from their work through linkages and commercialization while at the same time addressing climate change issues.

- Since 2006 we have organised and trained over 69,000 small scale farmers in clubs with the aim to improve food security and combat climate change.
- We have build their capacity in new agriculture technologies including conservation farming, linkages to market, value chain and formation of cooperatives.

Our Strategic Plan for 2021 to 2025

Building on our experiences over the past 25 years DAPP Malawi has recently developed its strategic plan for the coming five years. We has taken into full account the current challenges facing the people of Malawi and opportunities available to contribute towards social development while complementing the government’s efforts.

Following our vision and mission statement we aim at contributing to the Malawi Growth and Development Strategy III (MGDS III) and Malawi Vision 2063 which covers social, economic sectors and cross-cutting themes essential for eradicating poverty and hunger in the country.

As per our strategic plan we will in the next five years focus on:
- Training teachers for the rural primary schools
- Promote Early Childhood Developments and improve nutrition, protection, and stimulation of children between 2 to 5 years of age.
- Strengthen collaboration and networking between DAPP Graduated Teachers via the 400 primary schools project
- Build capacity of the youth for them to become self-reliant – through skills training, training in entrepreneurship and business management
- Capacity building of farmers to become food secure through organizational structure and trainings in climate smart agriculture technologies, value chains, market linkage and processing.
- Expansion and improvement of measures to combat and prevent the spread of HIV and AIDS, TB, Malaria, Coronavirus and other eventual upcoming infectious diseases and reduce malnutrition among the children of Malawi
- Expansion of the Child Aid Project to reach more communities
- Provide emergency aid when emergencies arises.
IN THE WAKE OF COVID-19

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, DAPP Malawi mainstreamed Covid-19 preventative measures in solidarity with the government of Malawi’s to fight and reduce the spread of the coronavirus. Staff members within the organisation were involved in production of reusable facemasks for staff members and their families in a quest to avoid contracting the virus or spreading.

With the surge in Covid-19 cases, the Government ordered the closure of schools across the country. DAPP as an institution of training for teachers and youth in various vocational skills did put in place measures to ensure safe environments to avoid the Covid-19 spread and contact when students return to school and they included disinfection of hostels, classrooms, offices and staff houses. Handwashing facilities were installed in all strategic places around the schools and use of face masks became mandatory around the campuses for everyone. Various signposts were also put up around the campuses to serve as reminders for adhering to Covid-19 preventative measures. Classroom capacities were reduced and health inspections were carried out regularly before the reopening of the schools.

In partnership with the Humana People to People Spain, DAPP Malawi secured funds to procure sanitary materials for selected rural communities in around 16 districts. Working hand in hand with teachers under the 400 Primary Schools; a network of DAPP Teacher Training Colleges graduated teachers, the activities were carried out within 3 months. The teachers distributed hand washing buckets and soap which were placed in strategic locations around their communities in order to be useful to as many people. Some of the key points included markets, maize milling centres, churches and schools. The 3 month intervention reached over 10,000 people in 16 districts of Blantyre, Neno, Mangochi, Dedza, Chikwawa, Nsanje, Lilongwe, Kasungu, Ntchisi, Dowa, Machinga, Mangochi, Ntcheu, Zomba, Mulanje and Chiradzulu.
Areas of Work

Sustainable Agriculture & Climate Change
- We train farmers so they can improve their lives
- Farmers must learn and practice sustainable farming methods
- The Farmers Club structure gives farmers a way to cooperate and to inspire each other.

Education & Vocational Training
- The teacher is an activist in the community
- Parents and local leaders also have an important role to play in ensuring a child-friendly school
- Creating a open future through investing in education for the young generation
- Infant children must feel safe in school so that they learn

Health
- Through constant community interventions people can improve the lives and health of their children
- Each one must do what it takes to prevent ourselves from being infected with COVID-19
- Prevent the spread of COVID-19, HIV and TB is also your responsibility

Community Development
- In all what we do – we mobilize, organize and give the people skills they need to improve their life
- By working together - in a structured way - families learn to overcome challenges
AGRICULTURE
Sustainable Agriculture & Climate Change

Agriculture is the backbone of Malawi’s economy contributing over 70 percent towards the country’s economy. The sector is dominated by small scale and subsistence farmers who are involved in agriculture for consumption and barely earn profits from their produces. In this light DAPP Malawi works with small scale farmers who are organized in clubs of 30 to 50 members to join forces and collectively benefit as cooperatives that can access markets, access micro-financing institutions and add value to farm produces. Climate change and environmental degradation negatively affect the agricultural practice as such DAPP promotes climate smart agriculture practices in the fight against climate change.

In 2020 DAPP Malawi continued working with farmers through;

### Young Farmers Club project

Also known as the Skills for Resilience Project, the project works with youth aged between 17 to 35 years in Traditional Authority Likoswe, in Chiradzulu district. The project has been working with 285 young farmers, imparting knowledge and skills on adoption of climate smart agriculture technologies, entrepreneurship and agribusiness through extension services. Farming instructors work with the youth who are organized at a club level with 60 percent of the beneficiaries being women and 40 percent male which including 10 percent of youths with disabilities. The project is being implemented by DAPP Malawi in partnership with the Norwegian Association of Disability (NAD) and the Technical Entrepreneurial and Vocational Education and Training Authority (TEVETA).

### Macadamia Nuts Project

The Macadamia Nuts Value Chain Enhancement project is in its fifth year of implementations. The project works with small scale farmers who are growing Macadamia Nuts in Thyolo and Mzimba districts. The project is funded by the Dutch Government through Sympany Netherlands and is working with Sable Farming Company which offers technical expertise in the growing of Macadamia Nuts and as a marketing linkage.
In 2020, farmers who had lost some tree seedlings in the process received additional trees to plant. On a good note, some of the trees started flowering but farmers are encouraged to remove the flowers to allow the trees to fully mature to their potential.

The project is expected to improve each link in the value chain and to increase the quantity of macadamia nut production and processing in Malawi thereby supplying good quality macadamia nuts that meet the national and international Food Laws. The project is working with 3000 farmers for a period of 5 years in Thyolo and Mzimba districts and is expected to end in 2021.

Apart from growing and training the Macadamia Nuts trees, the farmers are acquiring climate smart agricultural technologies; and intercropping their Macadamia fields with legume crops to maximise the profits from land use, working together to improve the sanitation and hygiene conditions in their homes as well as environmental conservation. A total of 72,762 trees have been planted by 1300 farmers during the 2019/2020.

**Farmers Organisation (FO) Cycle**

The Farmers Organizations (FO) Cycle project designed by GIZ under the KULIMA MIERA project to equip FOs with knowledge and skills to improve their performance in commercialization of their agricultural produce. The capacity building aimed to close gaps in the value chain, link the FOs to agro-dealers, input suppliers, and financial service providers. The capacity building activities in the project included leadership trainings, technical capacity building (planning, budgeting, record keeping, book keeping, report writing, collective sourcing of inputs and collective selling of farm produces) and linkages to government extension services so that FOs can effectively manage their members and enterprises.

DAPP Malawi in partnership with GIZ under the KULIMA MEIRA project worked with 15 Cooperatives that have a membership of 1400 farmers in Kasungu district.

**Poverty Reduction of Vulnerable beneficiaries through Community Based Financial Organisation Support (CBFO) & small scale Enterprise Development (PROVED) Project**

DAPP Malawi was contracted by the Financial Access for Rural Markets, Smallholders and Enterprises (FARMSE) to implement a PROVED project with the aim to increase income of 37,500 beneficiaries in Nkhotakota and Nkatabay districts. Through 1,500 clubs (Village Savings & Loan (VSL) groups) using small scale enterprises finance principles. The project strives to improve socio-economic well-being among the vulnerable poor people in Malawi through increased access to sustainable, diversified financial services and increase in household’s asset.

The idea of the project is to sustainably increase income of the beneficiaries (50% women, 30% men and 10% young women, 10% young men) in Nkhotakota and Nkhabay districts. In the first year of implementation the project has worked with 836 Village Savings and Loan (VSL) groups that have 16,255 members. The project will run for 36 months from August 2020.
Case Story - Odetta Chimwaza

Odetta Chimwaza comes from Timothy village in Traditional Authority Thomas in Thyolo district. She is one of the Farmers’ Club members that are growing Macadamia Nuts in Thyolo district under the Macadamia Nuts Value Chain Enhancement project. She has planted 100 Macadamia Nuts trees which she received through the project.

She says she has learnt about intercropping in Macadamia Nuts fields with crops like legumes to ensure maximum utilization of land. Apart from intercropping, the farmers’ clubs were encouraged to establish Village Savings and Loan (VSL) groups in order to cultivate a money saving culture.

“I know about intercropping and saving money through VSLs now. When I sell my legumes I save part of the money through the our VSL and in December 2020 I have managed to buy a cow, I can say this project has already started yielding the results and I will be able to make money for myself and my family,” she explained.

The Macadamia Nuts project is in its 5th year of implementation working with 3000 farmers in Thyolo and Mzimba districts. The farmers are to grow 100 tree seedlings each and sell Macadamia Nuts in the future.
EDUCATION & VOCATIONAL TRAINING
Education & Vocational Training

In striving to achieve the Sustainable Development Goal number 4; provide equitable and inclusive quality education and life-long learning opportunities for all, DAPP Malawi continues to contribute towards the achievement of this goal through the training of primary school teachers for the rural primary schools. DAPP Malawi is further enhancing Early Childhood Development (ECD) programmes and equipping youth with technical and entrepreneurial skills through vocational training. In 2020, amidst Covid-19 pandemic, DAPP made strides through the implementation of the following programs:

Teacher Training Program

In 2020, the colleges had a total of 527 students under training with some in college while others were in teaching practice schools around their respective colleges. The four Teacher Training Colleges (TTC)s of Mzimba, Dowa, Chilangoma and Amalika have to date trained 3303; 1964 female and 1339 male, teachers out of which approximately 80 percent are employed by the Malawi government and working in rural Malawi primary schools.

During the Covid-19 Pandemic, the schools were closed for a period of 6 months and students were learning from home. During this period, the student teachers were also carrying out some actions in the communities in the fight against Covid-19.

Vocational and Technical Skills training

DAPP Mikolongwe Vocational School equips youth with technical and entrepreneurial skills. In 2020, Mikolongwe Vocational school had a total of 509 students under training in its programs. The school offered 11 courses in the year namely Agriculture, Bricklaying, Carpentry and Joinery, Community Development, Financial Accounting, Textile and Fashion Design, Beauty and Hairdressing, Renewable Energy and Electrical Installation, Plumbing and Washing, Welding and Fabrication, and Cobbler and Shoe Making. The youth become self-reliant and alleviate poverty through securing employments or establishing their own small scale businesses. Through on-campus training, out-reach activities, Satellite centres and Mobile training centres the school has trained over 10,600 youth since its establishment in 1997.
Mobile Training Centres

Apart from offering training in formal courses, the school is also reaching out to more youth who have no entry qualification into its informal programs. This is done through the Mobile Training Centres in tailoring and other courses which target youth in hard to reach areas. In 2020, the project trained 80 females in basic tailoring in four districts of Machinga, Balaka, Salima and Dedza district. 60 Adolescent Girls and Young Women (AGYW) also completed their training in Balaka and Machinga districts. Upon completion of the training, the students were provided with start-up tools that will enable them to immediately set up their tailoring businesses.

The school continued implementing the Jobs for Youth project in partnership with the African Development Bank via the Ministry of Youth and Sports in Malawi. Since its commencement in July 2019, a total of 228 incubates have been trained in pig farming, poultry farming and horticulture.

Support to Early Childhood Development Education

DAPP is working with 104 Early Childhood Development (ECD) centres around its four Teacher Training Colleges. In 2020, through the World Bank Investing in Early Years Project (IEYP) via Ministry of Gender, Community Development and Social Welfare, DAPP Malawi trained 160 caregivers at DAPP Dowa Teachers Training College. 120 caregivers were from Dowa and 40 from Mchinji districts. The caregivers were trained in all developmental domains of a child and in managing ECD centres. The trainings will continue in 2021 with DAPP TTCs as one of the training centres. The Ministry of Gender, Community Development and Social welfare approved DAPP Dowa TTC as a training centre of ECD caregivers and to be part of training the caregivers in the project.

As part of complementing Government’s efforts in improving the transition of children from ECD to primary school, DAPP Malawi is also implementing a transition project around the teacher trainings colleges. Some of the key activities in the project include the construction of playgrounds, in-service training for the teachers, exchange visits between primary school teachers and caregivers from the ECD centres. The idea of the project is to create a conducive learning environment in the primary schools for a smooth transition of children from ECD centres.
400 Primary School program

The 400 Primary Schools is a network of DAPP TTCs graduated teachers that stick together to share ideas and experiences on how they can improve the environment around their schools. In 2020, the operations and meetings of the teachers were disturbed because of Covid19 pandemic and the schools were closed. Despite the closure of schools, the teachers took an important initiative to sensitize the community on the preventive measures of the pandemic. A charity foundation through Humana People to People Spain supported DAPP in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic. Due to the financial support received the teachers were engaged in the sensitization of their communities and distribution of hand washing facilities for communities and schools.

In 2020, the project had also been involved in the fight against the spread of COVID-19 through health campaigns, provision of hand washing buckets, tablets of soap and information materials (posters) about the prevention of COVID-19. In 2020 there were 91 teachers employed across 17 districts in the program.

The African Library project

As a way of promoting reading culture among the school children and the community, DAPP Malawi is implementing a library project which is distributing books to primary schools, secondary schools and communities. DAPP Malawi has since 2008 been in partnership with the African Library Project based in the USA. The African Library Project (ALP) is a non-profit organization that initiates the establishment of libraries in rural Africa, with volunteers who organize and collect books to be shipped for libraries in Africa. Since 2008, the number of libraries had increased from 40 to over 460 across Malawi due to the partnership between DAPP Malawi and the African Library Project. In 2020 15 applications from schools and institutions who were interested in establishing a community or school library were received and approved.

Elizabeth Makhaya is one of the students undergoing the training at Chilangoma Teacher Training College. I have been affected by the closure of the education institution following the Covid-19 pandemic. When the schools closed I was in my teaching practice semester at Nasonjo primary school for 3 months where I was teaching in standard 5 with an enrollment of 72 learners.

Nonetheless, the closure of schools did not stop me from continued learning. I have been revising and solving tasks from our previous term at the college from the School Experience Journal. Back in school we were trained to be drivers in our own education that is why I am still able to solve these tasks without a lecturer’s supervision.

Apart from working on my academic work, I have also taken the role of sensitizing the people around my village of the risks that the coronavirus poses and also the preventive measures.

Through door to door sensitizations and regular interaction, I have been encouraging the people around me to wash hands frequently, observe social distance and whenever possible to stay home while I practice the same.
Good health is essential for sustainable development to prevail and for the life of any human being. In 2020 the world at large was affected in the wake of the Coronavirus. DAPP Malawi complemented the government of Malawi’s effort in preventing the spread of the virus through information and preventive measures given to beneficiaries and staff. Our collective efforts in the promotion of good health were put to test while at the same time not sliding other diseases that affect day to day lives which are prevalent in Malawi like malaria, TB and HIV, malnutrition and other pandemics.

In 2020 DAPP Malawi implemented health related programs through interventions in TB and HIV, Malaria and nutrition. DAPP also integrated Covid-19 prevention activities in the existing projects.

### TB Prevention, Care and Support in Blantyre project

In 2020, DAPP Malawi with financial support from HPP Partners implemented a Tuberculosis (TB) project that identified suspected TB cases in communities around Traditional Authority Kapeni and Makata areas in Blantyre district.

The project carried out activities that contributed to TB active case finding, increased treatment success rate and demand for TB and HIV services through creating awareness on TB symptoms, transmission, prevention diagnosis and treatment. Community Health Workers were key in identification of suspect case and linkages for treatment while communities and families supported in treatment adherence for patients.

The project reached 68,000 people, tested 13,500 as people who had signs and symptoms of TB while 340 people were found with TB and put on treatment.
DAPP Malawi in partnership with Valdese Church of Italy through Humana People to People Italia-ONLUS implemented a Nutrition Project in Machinga district in Sub-Traditional Authority Nyambi. With the aim of reducing child morbidity and mortality due to severe acute malnutrition in children aged 0 to 2 years, the project worked with local health facilities, health workers and community volunteers.

The project screened 5,068 children for Malnutrition and found 237 children who were malnourished. They were all given food supplements. 4908 pregnant and lactating women were educated on importance of eating six food groups and they reached out to 55,000 people with the information they had learned. They were equipped with Community Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) knowledge and skills in order to be able to detect early malnutrition using the Mid-Upper Arm Circumference measuring tape, thus, sustaining the project’s impact. The project also promoted the establishment of backyard gardens.
Coronavirus which causes the Covid-19 disease was the dawn of the new way of living worldwide. Malawi was not spared as the country registered its first cases of Covid-19 from April 2019 and the cases started rising. Preventative measure to control the spread and reduce the risk of contracting the virus were enforced and awareness campaigns have been conducted.

Based on the information received from the Ministry of Health in Malawi DAPP Malawi introduced measures to help in the fight against the spread of the coronavirus as part of its Nutrition Project in Machinga.

The project focused on screening children of 0 to 2 years of age. To prevent the spread of the Coronavirus the DAPP health workers trained the parents on how they can screen their children for malnutrition instead of the health workers being in direct contact with the children.

“As a project we distributed the screening tools, MUAC (Mid upper arm circumference) tapes so that parents can be able to screen their children and record the progress in their growth and especially their nutrition status,” said Shyreen Malunga the DAPP Project Coordinator. The mothers and pregnant women were organized and trained in their in Care Groups. One of the Care group members Mrs Christina Sukali said that the project has help her to be able to check the nutrition status of her children.
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Community Development

Community development has been a long-standing priority for DAPP Malawi since its establishment in 1995. The organization utilizes the “Child Aid” integrated model developed by the Federation Humana People to People and tailored to Malawi context.

Child Aid programs builds capacity in communities to reduce poverty and give families the best conditions in which to raise their children mainly through hygiene and sanitation in the homes. This is accomplished through the implementation of activities within child care and early childhood development, health, education, and economic development.

Child Aid in Dedza & Neno

In 2020, DAPP Malawi implemented the Child Aid projects in Dedza and Neno districts. In Neno, the project was implemented for a period of 6 months and phased out in July 2020.

In September 2020, the Ministry of Health declared two Traditional Authorities in Dedza Open Defecation Free (ODF) and 210 Villages in Neno district were also declared Open Defecation Free. The Child Aid projects worked closely with the government structures at the district level, traditional leaders, volunteering Village Action Groups and the communities at large leading the ODF success.

Apart from training and actions implemented in regard to improvement of the hygiene and sanitation at household level, the communities were also engaged in issues of nutrition, climate change, and climate smart agriculture. They established backyard gardens, firewood saving stoves and tree nurseries. The hygiene and sanitation actions focused on maintenance or establishment of latrines, handwashing facilities (tippy-taps) rubbish pits and clothes hanging lines.

In 2020, the implementations reached 110,616 in Dedza and 61,000 in Neno.
FUNDRAISING & SUSTAINABILITY
Fundraising and Sustainability

The Fundraising and Sustainability project also known as the DAPP Secondhand Clothes and Shoes project continued to significantly contribute to the empowerment of the vulnerable and poor, children, youth, women and men in the rural communities. The sale of secondhand clothes and shoes supported projects implemented within education and vocational training, agriculture and food security, community development and health.

The DAPP Clothes and Shoes project has an economic impact through creation of self-employment for big bale customers who sale the clothes and shoes and indirectly create employment for their assistants. The quality second hand clothes and shoes is also a source of decent and affordable clothes to the customers.

In 2020, the Clothes and Shoes project continued supporting the people of Malawi in response to the natural disasters that affected parts of the country. Working with the Department of Disaster Management Affairs (DoDMA), DAPP supported the people of Malawi with a donation of 18,330 family clothes packages that were distributed to people who were in vulnerable conditions as a result of natural disasters like flooding.
Finance and Accountability

In 2020, DAPP Malawi spent about USD 3 million in projects implementation. The organisation enters into agreements with governments, foundations, companies, organisations and multilateral grant mechanisms for specific programmes, projects and activities of common interest. Fundraising through the selling of secondhand clothes and shoes also makes it possible for DAPP to further implement social development projects.

**OUR INCOME IN 2020**

- HPP Partners and Clothes & Shoes: 68.02%
- International and Local Organisations: 17.21%
- Other Income and School fees: 14.76%

**PROJECTS EXPENDITURES IN 2020**

- Education: 69.23%
- Agriculture: 15.62%
- Health: 7.69%
- Community Development: 5.93%
- Emergence/Relief Aid: 1.53%
Our partners in 2020

The Government of Malawi

- National TB Control Program
- Department of Environment.
- Government officials from all districts in which DAPP is working in
- Ministry of Education, Science and Technology
- Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture
- Ministry of Health and Population Services
- Ministry of Gender, Children, Disability and Social Welfare
- Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development
- Ministry of Trade and Industry

Local and International Partners

- TEVETA
- GIZ
- African Development Bank via Ministry of Youth
- Sympa
- MAGGA
- ILO
- IFAD via FARMSE
- The Private Foundation FE
- Beit Trust
- World Bank via the Ministry of Gender
- UNDP via MICF
- Norwegian Association of Disabled via TEVETA

Private companies

- Central Eastern Railway (CEAR)
- Sable Farming LTD
- VALE
- NICO Insurance Company

HPP Partners

- Humana Spain
- HPP Education & Training Foundation
- Humana Italy
- Humana Sweden
- Humana Spain
- UFF Norway
- Planet Aid
- UFF Finland
- Humana Estonia
- HPP Baltic Lithuania
- Humana People to People (The Federation)
- HPP Germany
Members of Humana People to People

We are members of the Federation for Associations connected to the International Humana People to People Movement. It comprises 29 independent national member associations.

Our common agenda is to protect the planet, build communities and support people by connecting them with others, unleashing their potential for positive change and action.

The Federation supports the members in delivering critical on-the-ground programmes across Africa, Asia, Europe, North America and South America. This support includes programme development, project management and operations, financial management support and help to promote our common agenda and gain influence through important relationships and partnerships.

The activities of the Humana People to People movement are aligned with the UN 2030 Agenda. Together with the people in the communities and our numerous partners, we continue to stand by countries as they strive to meet the Sustainable Development Goals, creating lasting positive change in the process.
SGS Verified NGO Benchmarking

As DAPP Malawi we are committed to adhering to the highest standards of accountability, transparency and good governance.

In May 2021 our governance policies and procedures, including their implementation, have been certified by the internationally renowned inspection and certification company, Société Générale de Surveillance (SGS) NGO Benchmarking Standards based on an external audit.

The SGS NGO Benchmarking Standard is described by SGS as “a reasoned consolidation of some 25 Codes and Standards established by donor agencies, states, funding organisations, associations, philanthropic institutions, etc.” This comprises an audit of best practice across our policies and procedures and the organisation’s compliance with these standards in 12 defined areas.

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