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Briefing on Scottish Government Funded Projects

This briefing includes details of all Scottish Government funded projects currently active in Malawi in February 2016. It has been compiled by the Scotland Malawi Partnership (SMP) and the Malawi Scotland Partnership (MaSP) for the fourth Malawi-Scotland annual symposium, which brings together the Malawi partners of all Scottish Government Projects.

The Scottish Government is currently funding projects in Malawi through three streams:

1. The **Malawi Development Programme (MDP)**, with its four strands of health, education, civic governance and society, and sustainable economic development. There are currently three rounds with live projects: 2012-2015, 2013-2016 and 2015-18.
2. The **Climate Justice Fund** which has two rounds live: 2012-2015 and 2014-2017.
3. The **Small Grants Programme**, which has project grants, feasibility grants and capacity building grants. There have been two rounds of this programme to date, in 2014 and 2015. In the next few week's successful projects will be announced for the third round.

Chapter One of this briefing goes through all current projects ordered as per above. Chapter Two is ordered by grant recipient organisation and includes additional update information on how the project is going, specially collected for the 2016 Symposium.

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Chapter One: All live Scottish Government funded projects

(Ordered by funding stream/round)

Malawi Development Programme

2012 - 2015 Projects

Source data: www.gov.scot/Topics/International/int-dev/Maps/Malawi/2012Projects

CIVIC GOVERNANCE & SOCIETY

Organisation	The Co-operative College
Project Title	Supporting Co-operatives in Malawi
Total Funding	£397,769 over three financial years (2012-2015).
Project Detail	This new project will provide education and support to co-operatives in Malawi which help small farmers to improve their incomes. Through education, mentoring and other support, small farmers will be helped to form and improve their own member-controlled businesses and as a result, will be able to improve yields, diversify their crops and through joint marketing, get better prices for their harvest, leading to improved livelihoods. The project expects direct beneficiaries to number 10,000 men and women, around 2,700 of which will attend training on starting and running a co-operative business.

Organisation	CBM
Project Title	Expanding Participation of Persons with Disability
Total Funding	£317,296.95 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	Through empowerment of Disabled People's Organisations, this project will advocate for the rights of persons with disabilities and will effectively interact with the Government of Malawi to increase their participation in the development activities of the decentralised government structure. The impact will be a strengthened accountability function of civic society towards government, and reduced poverty levels amongst people with disabilities in the three target districts of the project. The project aims to mobilise representatives of up to 380,000 persons with disabilities in these districts.

Organisation	Chance for Change
Project Title	Chance for Change “Leading Malawi”
Total Funding	£385,814 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This project comprises an innovative personal development and leadership programme which will offer advice and training to encourage the next generation of Malawian youth to develop the skills needed to take control of their own personal development. It will also provide support to help them pass on the skills, strategies and motivation to others in their communities. Within three years around 4,600 young people will access the information, training and support through youth fora which will help improve their health, ability to contribute to their communities and access to jobs and further education.

Organisation	Active Learning Centre
Project Title	Empowering Women As Local Leaders
Total Funding	£179,455 over two financial years (2012-2014)
Project Detail	This project will help to consolidate democracy in Malawi through a cascade training programme which will build a network of up to 2,000 women across the country and provide them with skills, knowledge and confidence to become candidates in the 2014 local government and parliamentary elections and to become effective leaders in their community.

Organisation	Scotland Malawi Partnership
Project Title	Malawi Scotland Partnership
Total Funding	£192,473 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This project will support a co-ordinator post for the Malawi Scotland Partnership (the Scotland Malawi Partnership’s sister organisation). It aims to establish an effective Malawi led and Malawi owned national umbrella organisation which is able to bring together, support and add value to the many civil society links between Scotland and Malawi. The project will provide advocacy, training and capacity-building, resulting in less duplication and more sharing of relevant skills and experience plus the establishment of a resource base which will enable vulnerable and isolated communities to be better equipped to counter poverty.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Organisation	Imani Development
Project Title	Trading with Climate Smart Supply
Total Funding	£359,883 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	Working in Mzuzu, Thyolo and Balaka, this project will stimulate sustainable economic growth in Malawi through the development of agricultural value chains. The project will improve the competitiveness of the tea, coffee and pigeon peas value chains, in an inclusive, climate smart and pro-poor manner in order to deliver improved smallholder incomes and reduce natural resource degradation.

Organisation	International Resources and Recycling Institute (IRRI)
Project Title	Rural Off-Grid Energy Kiosks
Total Funding	£182,702.16 over one financial year (2012-2013)
Project Detail	To address the problem of inadequate supply of basic electricity, this project will deliver an innovative and viable off-grid community electrification solution which has real potential to increase rural Malawians' socio-economic opportunities, allowing them to be incorporated into a national strategy for the electrification of rural Malawi, based on renewable energy technologies. This application is technically sound and fits within the wider renewable energy work we have funded Strathclyde University to undertake.

Organisation	Oxfam Scotland
Project Title	Women farmers access value-chains and adapt to climate change
Total Funding	£382,238 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This project will improve poor women's economic, social and environmental resilience through participation in value chains, increased status and adaptation to climate change. 15,000 female-headed households in the Lilongwe, Dowa and Mchinji Districts will have improved income, food security and great capacity to adapt to the impacts of climate change. We have funded previously successful Oxfam projects in Chiradzula, and welcome their expansion into these new areas.

Organisation	Scotland Malawi Business Group
Project Title	Aquaculture Enterprise Malawi
Total Funding	£22,727 over one financial year (2012-2013)
Project Detail	As a six month pilot, this project will encourage smallholder farmers to engage in small-scale commercial aquaculture for both income generation and food supply reasons and will help deliver the means to do so. An output of the project will be a comprehensive business plan for the creation of a revolving loan scheme servicing smallholder farmers wishing to diversify into commercial fish farming. The project will also look at the potential for diversification of pond culture operations from primarily subsistence livelihoods into viable businesses. The study will benefit from a well-qualified, highly appropriate team that includes a global leader in aquaculture.

Organisation	Challenges Worldwide
Project Title	Capacity Building for Enterprise – Sustainability
Total Funding	£399,990.36 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	Building on the success of previously funded Scottish Government projects, Challenges Worldwide will help build the capacity, performance and viability of private enterprise in Malawi through the development and application of local business advisory and consultancy skills. This will support the development of small and medium enterprises through appropriately trained and qualified staff operating as a social enterprise.

HEALTH

Organisation	Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) Scotland
Project Title	Ntcheu Integrated Maternal Health Project
Total Funding	£399,427 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	Working through VSO Malawi, this project will improve the skills of clinical staff, specifically midwives, to provide quality maternal services whilst improving the knowledge and health seeking behaviour of 70 villages in two traditional authorities of the Ntcheu District. The project will also explore linkages with other organisations in Ntcheu to address climate change and will support motherhood groups to further mitigate against the negative impacts of climate change.

Organisation	Sue Ryder
Project Title	Mobile Clinics in rural Malawi
Total Funding	£240,845 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This new project aims to provide regular access to healthcare services in rural areas, working with the Sue Ryder Foundation in Malawi. Through the use of already established mobile clinics and the provision of professional healthcare services, this project will improve the health of people with asthma, epilepsy and/physical disabilities in rural communities in Balaka and Ntcheu. As well as enabling access to healthcare in rural areas it will also provide much needed equipment for disabled people such as walking sticks, and medicines to control long term health conditions.

Organisation	University of Edinburgh, Global Health Academy
Project Title	ICT to Improve Rural Maternal Health
Total Funding	£399,447 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This project will improve the maternal and neonatal health of the rural population served by Nkhoma Hospital, and its 9 health centres, by linking together patient held paper records (health passports) with an electronic record system to create a continuum of care from pregnancy to delivery. This will ensure that essential health interventions are carried out and all health staff (in hospital and in community) share essential lifesaving information.

Organisation	University of St Andrews
Project Title	Enhancing Healthcare Training
Total Funding	£260,156 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	By facilitating the transfer of skills, processes and technology, the aim of this project is to help the College of Medicine fulfil its central role, given to it by the Government of Malawi, in the training of doctors and allied health professionals (including clinical officers) and to enhance the numbers and future performance of these crucial groups of health care professionals. The University of St Andrews has a historic relationship with the Malawi College of Medicine and we have funded two previously successful projects that have substantially increased the number of medical students the college can train each year. This project will build on that previously successful work as well as developing the undergraduate curriculum and training for allied health professionals.

Organisation	University of Dundee
Project Title	Introduction of PROMPT course (Practical Obstetric Multi Professional Training)to Malawi
Total Funding	£241,681 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This new project will reduce maternal mortality and morbidity through the introduction of PROMPT training – a proven team approach to recognition and management of emergencies in maternity care, which will increase the knowledge and ability of individual maternity health care workers. This project will work with the School of Anaesthesia which is soon to merge with the College of Health Sciences in Malawi. The funding will be implemented using a ‘train the trainers’ method and the funding includes the supply of medical mannequins to allow in-depth training on a variety of obstetric emergencies.

Organisation	Immpace, University of Aberdeen
Project Title	A Sustainable Rural Midwifery Model
Total Funding	£397,786 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This new project will involve Aberdeen University collaborating with Robert Gordon University to work with the Ministry of Health in developing a sustainable model for midwifery education and practice. This will involve reviewing, evaluating and strengthening the training and support of community midwives in rural Malawi; to develop and sustain their skills and improve recruitment and retention. Immpace, who are based at the University of Aberdeen, are experts in the field of maternal health and this project will link in with a wider Sub Saharan Africa project which is applying for EU funding to evaluate the best method by which to increase maternal survival rates in rural areas. The outcome of this project therefore has the potential to have a wide ranging impact across Africa in improving maternal health.

EDUCATION

Organisation	Link Community Development Scotland
Project Title	Supporting School Improvement in Malawi
Total Funding	£381,526 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This project will improve the access to and availability of quality primary education for all in rural Malawi by enhancing the sustainability and effectiveness of school and district evaluation, planning and improvement processes. It will also work to strengthen and promote greater synergy between district education performance plans and Malawi's national education inspection and advisory services. The project builds upon previous work funded by the Scottish Government to improve the standard of primary education and has been well received by the Government of Malawi.

Organisation	The Healthy Lifestyle Project (North Lanarkshire Council)
Project Title	Aiming Higher in Malawi Schools
Total Funding	£89,300 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This project will improve and increase the teaching and learning opportunities, number of students and exam performance in Physical Science, Mathematics, ITC and Enterprise for Secondary School Students within the Mulanje South West and Thyolo East locality. The project will particularly focus on new opportunities to significantly increase the participation and exam success for girls through the creation of Mother Groups and Girls Go For Health Groups. These groups will provide training and support on issues such as violence against women, prevention of HIV/AIDS, early pregnancies and marriages for youths (male and female).

Organisation	Scottish International Relief / Mary's Meals Malawi
Project Title	Mary's Meals Under-Six Feeding Programme
Total Funding	£400,000 over three financial years (2012-2015)
Project Detail	This project aims to improve the health, nutrition, intellectual, social and emotional development and school readiness of pre-school orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) in Malawi. 6,000 orphans and vulnerable children will attend 44 community centres across Malawi, receiving two hot nutritious meals every day. Malnourished children will also receive food supplements and those presenting with acute and chronic health problems will be supported to access appropriate health care and medical attention. OVC will also be educated in line with the Malawi National Curriculum on early childhood education.

2013-2016 Projects

Source data: <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/International/int-dev/Maps/Malawi/2013Projects>

A total of 24 projects worth a combined value of £8,110,792 are being funded through the Malawi 2013 funding round. The first tranche of 15 projects were announced by The First Minister in March 2013 during the visit of President Banda to Scotland. A further 9 projects were announced by the Minister for External Affairs & International Development on 22 July 2013.

EDUCATION

Organisation	Strathclyde University (School of Education)
Project Title	Chancellor College Masters in Primary Education
Total Funding	£399,663 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project aims to address the need for a Diploma in Primary Education in Malawi, which will encourage more trained teachers to teach in primary schools. Currently, primary teachers qualify with a Certificate in Teaching, but to advance their careers they must get a Diploma in Teaching. As it is only possible to get a Diploma in Secondary Education, the system siphons the most ambitious, energetic and academically-able teachers away from working in primary schools. A Diploma course will aim to improve: teacher content knowledge, including child development; training for collaborative and active learning and pupil engagement; teacher motivation; and classroom management. Scottish and Malawian academics will work together on this project to create knowledge of the course-design features that will work and make a difference in Malawi.

Organisation	Sense Scotland
Project Title	Malawi Deaf/Deafblind Awareness and Communication Training (M-DACT)
Total Funding	£368,843 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project aims to enable progress towards the achievement of Education for All and to support mainstream primary schools to effectively include deaf learners in the classroom. Malawi requires additional resources for Special Needs Education (SNE) learners, as currently they do not receive any additional help to achieve at school. Consequently, drop-out rates are high with few progressing academically. Sense Scotland will deliver awareness training to community leaders, families and teachers. This will improve understanding of deafness and gain support for the project. Additionally, they will provide training for practical skills and improve understanding of children's rights to education. Further, the provision of small grants from Sense Scotland to parent groups will enable them to address issues within their schools and communities including the provision of feeding programmes, school uniforms and text books.

Organisation	Link Community Development (LCD)
Project Title	Support to the Inspection and Advisory Services in Malawi
Total Funding	£399,722 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project aims to address the problems resulting from the enrolment explosion in Malawi's schools. While access to education has greatly improved, data clearly demonstrates that there has been a negative impact on the quality of education. The high drop-out rate and repetition rates in early primary years is indicative of the issues faced and combined with the lack of school performance monitoring, affects the overall primary education sector. This project will enable the development of training for staff, including inspectors and district education officials to assist them in evaluating, monitoring and supporting school improvement in Malawi.

Organisation	CBM UK
Project Title	Equitable Access to Education for Children with Disabilities in Malawi
Total Funding	£395,192 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project will help to support and increase access to education for disabled children and the quality of education they receive. The project will assist in the identification of children for early intervention and provide training to parents and guardians in early intervention skills. It will provide training for teachers and parents on sign language, Child Protection Policies and implementation guides. Community leaders, head teachers, school management committees and Primary Education Advisors will all also be briefed on the training that will be provided to further increase awareness. Advice will also be provided on technology that can assist teachers in their support of disabled children.

Organisation	Tearfund
Project Title	Karonga Girls and Boys Empowerment Project
Total Funding	£397,546 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project aims to build on Tearfund's 2010-2013 International Development Fund supported project, by expanding to additional communities. The project aims to address the problems that are exacerbating the HIV/AIDS pandemic, including: harmful cultural practices; low household income; and increased exposure to HIV. The project seeks to empower girls to protect themselves from harmful practices, whilst acknowledging that boys and the wider community also have to be targeted. The project will further develop and reinforce community bylaws to protect children from harmful practices, including forced marriage, forced employment and exploitation. Additionally, they will deliver increased HIV testing and counselling alongside HIV/AIDS education to improve awareness. The provision of sexual reproductive health education and the development of Life Skills Clubs will assist in improving awareness and knowledge among school children. The project will also set up Village Savings and Loans groups to enhance household income and encourage parents to send children to school rather than forcing them into employment.

HEALTH

Organisation	EMMS International
Project Title	RNM and Clinical Officer Training, Ekwendeni College of Health Sciences
Total Funding	£75,162 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project aims to address maternal mortality and the lack of medical resources and staff in Malawi's health centres and clinics. The project will aim to improve maternal health through increasing the number of trained midwives and capacity of Health Colleges to train clinical officers and midwives. EMMS International will increase: training places; qualified staff serving rural areas; and, professionals in the market. Further, the project will develop the curriculum, recruit trainers, provide textbooks for students and renovate classrooms and student accommodation to improve the opportunities available for students.

Organisation	Strathclyde University
Project Title	Scotland Chikhwawa Health Initiative (SCHI)
Total Funding	£388,342 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	Improved health status can be addressed through the Healthy Settings approach. Healthy Settings not only addresses access to curative health services, but also environmental, sociological and economic determinants for health in the home, school and work environments using a community led approach. This can lead to substantial reductions in the burden on curative health services and reduce the morbidity and mortality of both communicable and non-communicable diseases in communities. This project will seek to develop eighteen model communities, in-line with the Healthy Settings approach and integrate the principles into the six associated schools, five markets and one health facility.

Organisation	Scotland-Malawi Mental Health Education Project (SMMHEP)
Project Title	Enhancing Mental Health Training
Total Funding	£382,180 over three financial years (2013-2016).
Project Detail	<p>This project aims to train and support mental health specialists to take leading roles in strengthening the mental health training of District-level primary health teams. The project will adopt a key recommendation of the WHO Mental Health Gap Action Programme (mhGAP) - that adequate human resources for delivery of essential mental health interventions should be met by community-based programmes, and that task shifting approaches that train and support non-specialist health professionals should be used. A programme of sustainable cascaded training in district level mental health care will be developed and delivered in 5 districts. By the end of the project the skills and infrastructure will be in place to roll out the programme to all districts within existing Ministry of Health structures.</p> <p>The project will also develop sustainable e-learning based postgraduate and undergraduate mental health courses at the College of Medicine to consolidate the on-going training of mental health specialists (doctors, medical students), and reduce reliance on short-term volunteers. In addition, annual Malawi Health Conferences will be organised to promote exchange of research findings, knowledge and skills among mental health professionals within and without Malawi.</p>

Organisation	University of Edinburgh
Project Title	Transforming the Education and Training of Clinical Professionals Delivering Maternal and Child Healthcare in Malawi
Total Funding	£396,425 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>Malawi has high maternal, neonatal, child and infant mortality rates and the Government has made a major commitment to address these issues in-line with the Millennium Development Goals. A skilled, multi-disciplinary workforce able to work together to solve these problems is a national priority. Leaders in the professions, which have direct impact on health service quality, require specialist education/training beyond their initial qualifications, and both the College of Medicine (COM) and the Kamuzu College of Nursing (KCN), at the University of Malawi now offer Masters courses for doctors and nurses in maternal and child health specialties. In addition, and in response to a Ministry of Health request, COM has developed new specialty BSc degrees for Clinical Officers. In partnership with the University of Malawi, this project will support the development, delivery and management of the Masters and Clinical Officers degrees, and address missed opportunities to share teaching and training between specialties, and the lack of an integrated, multidisciplinary response to clinical problems.</p>

Organisation	Concern Worldwide
Project Title	Improving Opportunities and Use of Reproductive Health Among Women and Youth (OUR WAY)
Total Funding	£400,000 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>Although Malawi has made progress in decreasing maternal mortality over the past 5 years, the maternal mortality ratio remains among the highest in the world, at 675/100,000 live births. Concern's health and nutrition surveys have consistently found that women living farther from health facilities are less likely to access antenatal and postnatal care, and are more likely to deliver at home. This project will address access to services through expanding community-based options for reproductive health and family planning, including mobile outreach clinics, particularly for hard-to-reach populations. Existing Village Health Clinics, which currently only treat children under five years of age, will be supported to incorporate community-based family planning services.</p>

Organisation	Meningitis Research Foundation (MRF)
Project Title	Action Meningitis: Enhancing Awareness and Recognition of Severe Illness in Children in Malawi
Total Funding	£131,400 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>Hospital-based studies suggest that late presentation to hospital is a driving factor for death from bacterial meningitis and other severe illnesses in Malawi, where the fatality rate for children with meningitis is over 50%. At primary healthcare level, recent MRF research identified that poor service provision and expectation of misdiagnoses contribute to late presentation for appropriate care in hospitals. The research also found that meningitis is regularly mistaken for malaria at both community and primary care level. Given the rapid onset of meningitis and other severe childhood illnesses, urgent hospital treatment is vital. Research into treatment pathways for children also identified the need to raise awareness of meningitis and promote appropriate health-seeking for severe illness in Malawi.</p> <p>This project aims to teach health workers methods of triage, using the WHO Emergency Triage Assessment and Treatment (ETAT) system, so that meningitis and other life threatening diseases can be identified and treated far more rapidly, with a consequent improvement in survival rates. In addition, radio and theatre will be used to raise awareness of meningitis, to address health-related social issues and to encourage early treatment seeking for sick children.</p>

Organisation	NHS Lothian
Project Title	The Edinburgh Malawi Cancer Partnership
Total Funding	£158,292 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>In response to the growing numbers of patients diagnosed with cancer, the Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital in Blantyre has established a cancer unit, the only one in Malawi. With the establishment of the unit, there is an urgent need to help facilitate the development of upgraded and sustainable cancer services to ensure that the impact of improved treatment for patients with cancer is achieved.</p> <p>Therefore, the main outcome for this project is the development of an integrated cancer and palliative care unit at the hospital promoting high quality, safe and effective treatment for patients with all stages of cancer. The project will work to develop effective data management systems to organise clinical care and to monitor information on workload and outcomes. A multi-disciplinary team will work to ensure that decisions on patient care are best informed, and a multi-professional approach to care delivery is developed to ensure the service can make more effective use of its workforce, maximising capacity and capability. Further, robust evidence-based protocols that support clinically effective and safe evidence-based practice will be developed.</p>

Organisation	NHS Lothian
Project Title	Developing a Sustainable Programme of Cervical Cancer Screening
Total Funding	£399,399 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>In Malawi, cervical cancer is the most frequent cancer among women of a reproductive and economically important age (45.4% of female cancers), with an 80% mortality, with numbers projected to increase over the next two decades. There are currently no national programmes for cervical cancer prevention through immunisation or screening, contributing to the high burden of mortality: many women now survive childbirth only to die later of preventable cervical cancer. Inadequate access to treatment, ostracisation of women with severe symptoms of cervical cancer, and limited palliative care services are additional features.</p> <p>This project will develop a sustainable cervical cancer prevention programme through three linked elements: increased provision of screening clinics; a 'train the trainers' skills model for staff in Nkhoma Hospital; and, development of staff skills in data collection and monitoring to inform future services.</p>

Organisation	Christian Aid Scotland
Project Title	Enhanced Community-Based Maternal, Neonatal and Child Care in Karonga District
Total Funding	£385,963 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>This projects aims to contribute to the achievement of Millennium Development Goals 4 and 5 by addressing the major causes of maternal, neonatal and child mortality in Karonga District, northern Malawi. In particular, the project aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase access to, and uptake of, quality Maternal Neonatal Child Care (MNCH) services through strengthening village health clinics in all 63 villages. • Strengthen referral and case management processes through redefining the traditional birth attendants' role to 'mother advisors', and establishing a reward scheme for referring women to health facilities for delivery. • Provide mobile telephones to link communities to their nearest health facilities, and four motorbike ambulances to enable referrals to health facilities and the district hospital. • Improve community participation in MNCH care through 66 established women groups, and strengthen the capacity of women, men and community leaders to make positive decisions that address socio-cultural and domestic barriers affecting women's health.

Organisation	Mary's Meals
Project Title	Mary's Meals School Feeding Programme Expansion
Total Funding	£399,846
Project Detail	<p>The project will establish school feeding operations in 18 primary schools, in turn increasing access to education and improving nutrition for children. Primary education net enrolment rate in Malawi is very low and the numbers of children completing primary education are low because of high dropout rates and progression rates are also poor. Malnutrition is common amongst children and low attendance at school is predominantly attributed to sickness or hunger. The project meets development needs of Malawi by contributing to the goal of universal primary education targeting children living in areas of poverty and food insecurity by removing barriers to education such as hunger.</p> <p>The project will offset immediate household costs and support short-term economic growth through purchase of food from local small scale producers. Long term it contributes to sustainable economic growth through contribution to an individual's nutritional requirements and education releasing individual potential and that of the nation in general.</p>

SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Organisation	Imani Enterprise Ltd
Project Title	Integrated Farming for Cooperative Agribusiness Programme
Total Funding	£392,937 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project aims to provide food security to the Chikwawa district in Malawi to sustainably improve livelihoods in the area. The district is negatively affected by its dense population and poor climatic conditions which dictate a need for irrigation for successful crop production. However, the cost of irrigation is prohibitive, constraining communities to prolific food insecurity. There is a need to address the agricultural practices and therefore provide better food security. This project will use local resources and markets for improved income generation, capacity, health and food security. It will build upon existing structures and investments to develop a model integrated farming system in the district for replication across the region.

Organisation	Scottish Malawi Foundation
Project Title	Electricity Kiosks in Off-grid Villages
Total Funding	£364,458 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project will address the inadequate supply of basic electricity available in the grid-remote rural areas, where the majority of Malawians live. It will provide the equipment required for an economically effective life, and address the consequent costs and health risks an inadequate electricity supply creates. The proposed project is an extended pilot with potential for up-scaling. Through the installation of solar-powered battery rental and charging stations (“electricity kiosks”) in several communities, 1,000 households (affecting approximately 6,000-8,000 individuals) will be offered specially designed battery systems allowing them to charge their electronic devices as they would if they had a grid connection. The impact of this work has the potential to be transformative by establishing affordable accessible renewable electricity. Grant conditions will include alignment with existing renewable energy programmes in Malawi.

Organisation	The James Hutton Institute
Project Title	Climate Smart Agriculture for Rural Smallholders in Malawi
Total Funding	£397,341 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>To combat short-term food insecurity the Government of Malawi initiated the Fertilizer Input Subsidy Programme (FISP). Although it is justifiably recognised as a ‘quick fix’, use of fertilizer is economically and environmentally unsustainable and does not tackle the underlying issue of soil health. FISP is not a long-term solution to meeting the needs of those most at risk of malnutrition through land scarcity, drought or flooding, low soil fertility, or lack of disposable income. Sustainable, organic approaches are available as alternatives to high-input, high-cost interventions such as the FISP. Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) is one such approach, producing the maximum yield possible with little reliance on external inputs such as fertilizer or pesticide. It is appropriate for Malawi, offering food diversity, fuel, soil health and climate adaptation. However, CSA is currently only promoted by a small number of dedicated organisations, with little coordination and a paucity of empirical data that national policy makers could use as evidence to support its wider adoption.</p> <p>In collaboration with key stakeholders and with the support of the Government of Malawi, this project will work in two vulnerable districts of Malawi to improve household resilience and pro-poor planning for climate change adaptation through activities targeted at community, district and national levels.</p>

Organisation	Microloan Foundation (MLF) UK
Project Title	Stimulating Business Development and Income-Growth in Central Malawi
Total Funding	£377,304 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>MLF-Malawi, in the Central Region, will help 6,323 new clients to develop a business and 9,351 existing clients to grow their businesses. Clients’ businesses will generate profits and smooth the precarious incomes of impoverished households. The loan capital will be disbursed through a variety of products, and clients will open a bank account, build savings, and develop business and financial-literacy skills; crucial steps towards long-term independence from poverty. This will facilitate the economic empowerment of over 15,000 women and 78,000 children and dependents, who will benefit from increased spending on education, dietary consumption and healthcare. In addition, the project will disburse sustainable electricity, increase agricultural production, and improve women’s economic and social status in their household and community. By providing a range of products, MLF-M will provide an integrated pathway for clients to move from absolute poverty to ultimate independence.</p>

Organisation	Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF)
Project Title	Mangochi Livelihoods and Economic Recovery Project
Total Funding	£378,225 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	Malawi currently faces serious challenges such as a shortage of foreign reserves, scarcity of fuel and high inflation, which have resulted in an economic slowdown, and increased poverty and hunger. Against this backdrop, the Malawi Government has developed an Economic Recovery Plan to improve prospects for socioeconomic growth and development, which includes development of agricultural production for increased food security. This project aims to support 3,000 households in Mangochi to increase their income and food security through effective crop and livestock productivity and small scale business, thus supporting government efforts to enhance the productivity of the small producer agriculture sector. Overall, it aims to create an enabling environment for vulnerable groups to improve their living conditions and participate in the country's development.

Organisation	Oxfam Scotland
Project Title	Social and Economic Empowerment of 19,200 Smallholder Producers in Rural Malawi
Total Funding	£400,000 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	This project aims to address the inter-related problems of economic and social insecurities faced by 19,200 poor households, around 70% of whom will be women, and particularly those living with, or affected by HIV and AIDS (including child-headed households), as they are most vulnerable to shocks and marginalisation. Specifically, this project aims to improve: access to value-chains, particularly in the horticultural and livestock sectors; skills and technology to optimise livestock and crop production; access to financial services by smallholder producers; and capacity for advocacy of smallholder producers. This project will develop a sustainable exit strategy from the current International Development Fund supported project (2010-2013) ' <i>Promoting Sustainable Livelihoods for Vulnerable Groups, Particularly Women, in Chiradzulu District</i> '.

Organisation	Just Trading Scotland (JTS)
Project Title	Improving the Livelihoods of Rice Farmers in Karonga
Total Funding	£276,255 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>Rice farmers in Karonga District are faced with the following problems: access only to poor quality seeds which produce a limited crop of variable quality; limited means of transporting their crops to market; limited markets for their products; and, unscrupulous traders operating with inaccurate scales.</p> <p>This project aims to take 3,000 rice farmers in Karonga out of poverty permanently, through assisting the farmers to substantially increase their yields (and marketing) of high quality Kilombero rice, thereby increasing their disposable income. A fund will also be created through Kapara Smallholder Farmers' Association (KASFA), from which the farmers will be able to buy basic seeds for the next planting – thus, this project aims to produce a genuinely sustainable “virtuous cycle” of crop production and sales that will run from year to year.</p>

Organisation	Global Concerns Trust
Project Title	Tools and Training for Livelihood in Malawi
Total Funding	£109,738 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>Twenty per cent of the population living below the poverty line in Malawi are disabled. This project aims to contribute to the reduction of poverty, the enhancement of economic sustainability, and improvement in community integration of physically disabled men and women in Nkhotakota and Salima districts.</p> <p>The lack of skills development programmes, especially in rural areas, is explicitly recognised in the Malawi Growth and Development Strategy, and Nkhotakota is a Government targeted rural area currently without training opportunities. During the lifetime of this project, 39 men and women will receive training in carpentry and tailoring, and in Salima, 90 men and women will receive training in tailoring, knitting, cane chair/basket-weaving and curio-making to become economically self-reliant. Further, all trainees will be provided with start-up toolkits, business training and on-going support, and HIV/AIDS, reproductive health and gender awareness training. The project will place emphasis on empowering women; at least 55% of trainees will be women.</p>

Organisation	Scotland Malawi Business Group
Project Title	Aquaculture Enterprise Malawi
Total Funding	£336,737 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>The principal conclusion of the International Development Fund (2012-2013) supported scoping study, '<i>Aquaculture Enterprise Malawi (AEM)</i>' was that, while 'rural aquaculture' has a role to play in sustaining household food security in Malawi, it is not commercially viable. To contribute effectively to development, aquaculture in Malawi requires manufactured formulated fish feed, a regular supply of quality young fish, access to a continuous year round supply of water, and access to markets and finance. However, given the relatively high transaction and opportunity costs involved in satisfying these requirements, the development of small-scale commercial aquaculture necessitates ponds being located within or in close proximity to peri-urban environments.</p> <p>This new project aims to create and foster a supportive business environment in which an optimally located network of 60 small-scale fish farmers can operate on a commercial basis. The benefits deriving from the project will include employment opportunities throughout the production and supply chains and an increased supply of better value, high quality protein into Blantyre and its peri-urban markets, while directly and indirectly supporting the livelihoods of some of the poorer but entrepreneurial individuals in Malawi. The University of Stirling's world-leading Institute of Aquaculture is a key partner in this project.</p>

2015-2018 Projects

Source data: <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/International/int-dev/Maps/Malawi/2015projects>

A total of 20 projects worth a combined value of £9,245,384 are being funded through the Malawi 2015 funding round. The projects were announced by the Minister for Europe & International Development on 28 January 2015.

The projects will run for three years between 2015 and 2018 and will be on the thematic priorities outlined below.

HEALTH

Organisation	NHS Scotland Lothian
Project Title	The Edinburgh Malawi Breast Cancer Project
Total Funding	£185,340
Project Detail	The aim is to achieve and demonstrate improvement in breast cancer treatment at Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital, Blantyre, through the development of multi-disciplinary care and enhanced pathology.

Organisation	Robert Gordon University
Project Title	Improving Respectful Midwifery Care in Rural Malawi: a Human Rights Approach
Total Funding	£432,196
Project Detail	The project will develop, implement and evaluate respectful care using a human rights approach to maternity care in Malawi.

Organisation	Christian Aid (CA) Scotland
Project Title	Increasing Citizen's Demand for Accountability and Transparency (ICiDAnT) for maternal and child health
Total Funding	£600,000
Project Detail	To increase community demand for and participation in accountable, responsive maternal and child health service delivery in Balaka district in Southern Malawi.

Organisation	Christian Aid (CA) Scotland
Project Title	Increasing Citizen's Demand for Accountability and Transparency (ICiDAnT) for maternal and child health
Total Funding	£600,000
Project Detail	To increase community demand for and participation in accountable, responsive maternal and child health service delivery in Balaka district in Southern Malawi.

Organisation	Yorkhill Children's Charity
Project Title	Improving Eye Health and Reducing Unnecessary Blindness in Malawi
Total Funding	£173,355
Project Detail	This project will reduce unnecessary blindness in Malawi by building capacity of health professionals to provide a national eye care service for children and for people of all ages with diabetes.

Organisation	Meningitis Research Foundation
Project Title	Triage and treatment, training and engagement. A package for sustainable healthcare improvement in Malawi's primary health clinics
Total Funding	£594,899
Project Detail	The project will deliver a proven health package for early recognition, treatment and appropriate referral of severely ill children in community health centres, acceptable and ready for implementation across Malawi.

Organisation	University of Strathclyde
Project Title	Impact on Malaria, Maternal Health and the Prognosis for AIDS by Quality Assurance, Knowledge exchange and Training (IMMPAQKT)
Total Funding	£275,918
Project Detail	The objective of this project is to improve the health of the people of Malawi in the three key areas of malaria, maternal health and AIDS; by developing a programme for the quality assurance of traditional herbal medicines and by increasing the knowledge of the conventional medical profession in traditional medicine both by academic training and through knowledge exchange with traditional healer.

EDUCATION

Organisation	The Global Concerns Trust
Project Title	Tools and Training for Livelihood in Malawi
Total Funding	£198,527
Project Detail	To contribute to the reduction of poverty, the enhancement of economic sustainability, and improvement in community integration of physically disabled men and women in Malawi, by providing vocational training and business support.

Organisation	The Global Concerns Trust
Project Title	Tools and Training for Livelihood in Malawi
Total Funding	£198,527
Project Detail	To contribute to the reduction of poverty, the enhancement of economic sustainability, and improvement in community integration of physically disabled men and women in Malawi, by providing vocational training and business support.

Organisation	Tearfund
Project Title	Girls and Boys Empowerment Project in Rural Chitipa
Total Funding	£460,355
Project Detail	To protect girls and boys from harmful cultural practices that deny them their rights, including educational opportunities.

Organisation	Mary's Meals
Project Title	Mary's Meals School Feeding Programme Expansion in the Machinga District of Malawi
Total Funding	£584,038
Project Detail	The objective of this project is to provide sustainable support to vulnerable children in remote and rural communities in Malawi by reducing hunger and promoting access and participation in primary education through the provision of a daily school meal prepared locally by community volunteers.

Organisation	Link Community Development
Project Title	Increasing MoEST Impact in School Improvement in Malawi (IMISIM)
Total Funding	£599,507
Project Detail	To improve the performance of Malawian schools and the impact of the Malawian Ministry of Education Science and Technology (MoEST) and District Education Offices on school performance, by improving integrated planning, multi-stakeholder accountability and the provision of effective support.

Organisation	Glasgow City Council
Project Title	Malawi Leaders of Learning
Total Funding	£209,310
Project Detail	Improving educational outcomes for children and young people through improving learning and teaching and leadership of Malawian staff and young people.

Organisation	Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO)
Project Title	Unlocking Talent through Technology: Improving Learning Outcomes of Primary School Children in Malawi
Total Funding	£600,000
Project Detail	This project aims to improve the numeracy and literacy skills of Standard 1 and 2 learners in selected schools in Kasungu District, Malawi by equipping classrooms with mobile tablet technology to enhance instruction and allow for highly tailored and interactive learning.

CIVIC GOVERNANCE

Organisation	Chance for Change
Project Title	Routes for Change - Diversionary Programme
Total Funding	£522,727
Project Detail	The overall Objective of the “Routes for Change” programme is to Reduce the Number of young people who have been incarcerated as a result of petty offending, by providing a meaningful series of community disposal options for prosecutors.

Organisation	Chance for Change
Project Title	“Rites of Passage” Malawi
Total Funding	£465,100
Project Detail	The overall objective of our Rites of Passage Malawi programme, is to build capacity in unemployed young Malawians to support them become stakeholders in their communities, through engagement in an innovative personal development programme, taking part in youth advocacy activities, delivering informal education to local schoolchildren and contributing to the local economy by generating income through micro-enterprise and small business activities.

SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Organisation	Tearfund
Project Title	Khwamba Sustainable Livelihoods Improvement Project (KSLIP)
Total Funding	£500,193
Project Detail	To reduce poverty and extreme hunger for 30,000 people by empowering vulnerable households through livelihoods improvement and strengthening of the local governance and development structures.

Organisation	Opportunity International UK
Project Title	Stimulating wealth creation, increasing employment and fostering local entrepreneurship in Malawi
Total Funding	£598,301
Project Detail	Addressing MDG1 the project aims to create wealth and secure sustainable livelihoods in Malawi by providing micro-business owners, particularly women, with access to financial services and training in financial literacy and business development skills, in order to strengthen their enterprises, generate income and create employment opportunities.

Organisation	Oxfam Scotland
Project Title	Improved Livelihoods for 3,000 Poor Farmers and their Families in Rural Malawi
Total Funding	£598,767
Project Detail	Malawian farmers will become resilient, overcome poverty and respond to the challenges of climate change through using renewable energy to increase their food production, irrigate and manage their land, and create small scale enterprises.

Organisation	The Cooperative College
Project Title	Cooperative Enterprise Pathways for Economic and Environmental Sustainability in Malawi
Total Funding	£449,449
Project Detail	The improved sustainability and viability of the cooperative movement across Malawi.

RENEWABLE ENERGY

Organisation	SGURR Energy
Project Title	PDM – Powering Development in Mulanje
Total Funding	£598,374
Project Detail	The project will catalyse social and economic development in poor communities around Mulanje Mountain by supplying renewable electricity from a sustainable social enterprise.

Organisation	University of Strathclyde
Project Title	Sustainable Off-grid Electrification of Rural Villages (SOGERV)
Total Funding	£599,028
Project Detail	This project aims to reduce energy poverty in rural Chikhwawa district through the electrification of households, businesses and community energy infrastructure via the deployment of sustainable renewable energy technologies (RET).

Climate Justice Fund

Following Scotland's international climate justice conference in October 2013, the Scottish National Action Plan on Human Rights commits us to continue to champion climate justice because the worst impacts of climate change are falling on the poor and vulnerable. Climate justice is a people centred, human rights approach, which shares the benefits of equitable global development and the burdens of climate change fairly, and builds trust between developed and developing countries.

Scotland's world-leading Climate Justice Fund, supported by £6 million from our Hydro Nation initiative, is now supporting 11 projects in Malawi, Zambia, Tanzania and Rwanda. The Malawian projects are detailed below:

Round 1 (2012-2015)

Organisation	Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) Scotland
Project Title	Water Futures: Towards Equitable Resource Strategies
Total Funding	£485,649
Project Detail	VSO will work with village committees and District planning departments in four districts of Malawi which are vulnerable to extreme weather, including erratic rainfall, droughts, floods and late starts to the rainy season. Skilled climate change advisers, volunteering for 1-2 years, will support District planners, village committees and civil society networks. They will help ensure that the poorest and most marginalised people - especially women subsistence farmers and malnourished children - will be prioritised in national and District water resource management policies and plans.

Organisation	University of Strathclyde
Project Title	Climate Change Adaptation: Long Term Groundwater Management
Total Funding	£463,096
Project Detail	This project aims to build capacity among communities and district councils to practice Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM) principles, making rural communities more resilient and the government more aware of how to balance the significant need to increase groundwater use with hydrogeologic impacts brought on by climate change, as such it address the "equity, entitlement and governance" stream of the climate justice fund.

Organisation	Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF)
Project Title	Best Practices & Innovation in Sustainable Water Resource Management
Total Funding	£499,606
Project Detail	<p>This project will build on the findings and recommendations of earlier research into food insecurity and contribute to the empirical knowledge base and discussion in Malawi, and the broader development community, on best practice in water management to support rural livelihoods for the poor; in the context of climate change and limited financial resources.</p> <p>Through piloting a portfolio of water management technologies and climate justice approaches, and documenting their impact on food availability, water usage and costs, the programme will expand the water management options available for the rural poor of Malawi. The achievement of these activities rests on community mobilisation, the piloting of different water management practices and approaches and promoting conservation agriculture.</p>

Organisation	Tearfund
Project Title	Water and Climate Justice in Malawi
Total Funding	£499,694
Project Detail	<p>This project seeks to support better management of water resources and helps empower communities to hold duty bearers accountable for those resources. In terms of impact, the project will lead to the improved socio economic standing of the targeted households by reducing the number of people suffering from waterborne diseases. The project intends to achieve three main outputs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increased availability of clean and safe water; 2. Increased water resources governance at district and community level; and 3. Households in targeted communities will employ strategies to adapt to climate change to improve water resource management

Round 2 (2014-2016)

Organisation	Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) Scotland
Project Title	More Action for Just Initiatives for Climate Change Adaptation in Southern Africa (MAJI)
Total Funding	£497,643
Project Detail	The overall objective of the project is to reduce the vulnerability of the rural poor to climate change impacts in Malawi, by helping them to proactively and collaboratively plan for the future.

Organisation	The University Court of Glasgow Caledonian
Project Title	Climate Justice - Water for All
Total Funding	£607,648
Project Detail	To contribute towards achieving water access equity and entitlements through the development of effective socially inclusive, gender transformative and climate just governance systems based on initiatives to create and build sustainable capacity.

Organisation	Tearfund
Project Title	Enhancing Water Management in Rural Malawi
Total Funding	£417,132
Project Detail	Climate change adaptation through building water rights governance and access to sustainable safe drinking water for 6,000 households in the Balaka and Salima districts of Malawi.

Organisation	Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF)
Project Title	Water for Agricultural Production
Total Funding	£473,213
Project Detail	The project will enhance the capacity of small-scale farmers to apply rainwater harvesting and wastewater technologies for agricultural production and thereby increase resilience to climate change in four "Cells" (communities) in Rwanda.

Organisation	Water Witness
Project Title	Fair Water Futures Phase II
Total Funding	£439,688
Project Detail	Fair Water Futures Phase II makes a significant contribution to climate resilience and justice in Tanzania, Rwanda, Malawi and Zambia by scaling up pre-tested 'turn-key' interventions to: secure water rights, pollution control, flood and drought protection for vulnerable communities; drive uptake of private sector water stewardship; improve the capabilities of water resource management (WRM) institutions; and collate evidence for high impact advocacy and sharing of methodologies.

Organisation	Christian Aid
Project Title	Improved Community Resilience Through Increased Water Supply and Food Security
Total Funding	£410,484
Project Detail	To increase availability and access to safe and potable water for 1,500 households in two Traditional Authorities of Nsanje district through rights-based, participatory and inclusive approaches to water resource management.

Small Grants Programme

In 2013 the Scottish Government launched its three-year pilot of the international development Small Grants Programme, which is specifically designed to support the work of small international NGOs in Scotland who might not otherwise be funded through our larger mainstream funding rounds. The Programme was established to help grow the international development sector in Scotland whilst enabling them to help some of the world's most vulnerable communities. Grants of up to £60,000 are made available for projects lasting up to three years, and £10,000 for feasibility studies and capacity building work lasting up to one year.

Eligible projects must contribute to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (and the post-2015 Framework in due course), and the alleviation of poverty and economic growth in one of the Scottish Government's seven priority countries. These are: Malawi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Zambia, Pakistan, Bangladesh and the Indian states of Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Orissa.

So far, 26 grants totalling £888,486 have been awarded for activities in relation to the following Scottish Government priority themes: **education; health; sustainable economic development; civic governance and society; food security; renewable energy; climate change; and water.**

On 11th July 2015 the Minister for Europe and International Development announced the third and final year of the Small Grants Programme pilot. Applications for the 2016 Programme are now open, with up to £500,000 being made available to Scottish NGOs for capacity building, feasibility studies, and development projects.

2014 Small Grants

Project Grants

Organisation	Cerebral Palsy Africa
Award Detail	For the training of special needs teachers in Malawi
Total Funding	£52,452

Organisation	Children's Medical Care Malawi
Award Detail	For the ETAT training programme for 900 newly qualified Malawian nurses and clinicians
Total Funding	£60,000

Organisation	Malawi Fruits
Award Detail	For the Paprika project, supporting subsistence farmers in Northern Malawi to develop a cash crop for the benefit of their families
Total Funding	£60,000

Organisation	Orskov Foundation
Award Detail	For the Food Forest project to provide greater food security, nutritional diversity, a source of income and a means to increase resilience to climate change amongst rural Malawians
Total Funding	£50,874

Feasibility Grants

Organisation	The Balmore Trust
Award Detail	For the development, testing, and scoping of the manufacture of a rice threshing machine.
Total Funding	£10,000

Capacity Building Grants

Organisation	Mamie Martin Fund
Award Detail	For fundraising and marketing in Scotland, and organisational strategy and development, and monitoring and evaluation in Malawi, including an impact report.
Total Funding	£10,000

2015 Small Grants

Project Grants

Organisation	CIFA Trust
Award Detail	Strengthening citizen participation for food and nutrition security project in Mzimba District
Total Funding	£57,600
Project Summary	The aim of the project is to strengthen the ability of poor, marginalised rural communities in Northern Malawi to achieve lasting food and nutrition security. The project will use a peer leader approach in 15 villages of Mzimba District, Malawi, teaching civic governance, climate-resilient agriculture and nutrition. Revolving funds will be established for irrigation, fertiliser and improved seeds, which will support higher agricultural productivity and crop range. The project will reach 855 households, an estimated 4,275 people. 60% of the peer leaders will be women. The project also includes an under nutrition pathway analysis.

Organisation	Students for Malawi
Award Detail	Empower Chisitu project, creating an off grid energy generation and supply chain, empowering local women, and training young people.
Total Funding	£53,340
Project Summary	The aim of this project is to increase the availability of electricity to Chisitu village in southern Malawi by creating an off-grid energy generation and supply chain. Students for Malawi give students the opportunity to work in Malawi on short term projects such as volunteering at primary schools. In 2013, a pilot project erected three wind turbines in Chisitu village. Through this pilot, contact was made with RENAMA (Renew 'N'Able Malawi) which has been installing energy kiosks. Engineering students from Scotland will work alongside students from an entrepreneurial college in Malawi to erect more wind turbines and a battery charging bank on the edge of Chisitu village. Energy kiosks supplying home power packs will be put up in the village and 18 women will be trained as energy entrepreneurs, providing them with an income. Local young people will be trained in maintaining the equipment. RENAMA will work with Chisitu Action for Development.

Organisation	Grow Volunteer Consulting
Award Detail	Improve the business skills, and business performance of 250 disadvantaged female entrepreneurs in Malawi
Total Funding	£59,758
Project Summary	The project is to <i>“Improve the business skills, and business performance of 250 disadvantaged female entrepreneurs in Malawi”</i> . Grow is an English registered charity that recruits and trains volunteers to give consultancy to African entrepreneurs. Twelve sessions over six months are given by Skype and aim to improve profitability, employment and sustainability. Grow has 563 volunteers, 264 in the UK, of which 3 are in Scotland. There is a Voluntary Country Manager of Scotland who is embarking on a volunteer drive. Since 2012, Grow has been working with the National Association of Business Women in Malawi and helped 150 clients and creating 80 new jobs. The project is to extend the programme to Chichewa speakers and to rural areas, setting up a new office and employing translators.

Organisation	Balmore Trust
Award Detail	For the <i>“Threshing machines for Malawi”</i> project in Mzimba District, conditional on a satisfactory feasibility report.
Total Funding	£60,000
Project Summary	This project <i>“Threshing machines for Malawi”</i> builds on a feasibility study funded by this programme last year. Three pedal driven rice threshing machines built in Scotland are being shipped to Malawi for testing. The project will look at scaling up the supply of the machines, including the most cost effective way of construction and assembly. The moving (metal) parts for 30 machines will be manufactured in Scotland and shipped to Karonga. The partner, Kaporo Smallholder Farmers’ Association, will set up a workshop and train staff to assemble the machines, which will be sold to farmers’ clubs. A revolving fund will be set up to ensure continuity. The machine will reduce manual labour and crop wastage, enabling 750 farmers to expand their operations and increase incomes.

Feasibility Grants

Organisation	Malawi Fruits
Award Detail	To conduct a feasibility study to test growing traditional Malawi fruits as a cash crop for farmers in Northern Malawi
Total Funding	£10,000
Project Summary	<p>This feasibility study will look at the viability of growing different fruits (bananas, mangoes, pineapples), transporting and selling them to Malawi Mangoes at a sensible price. Malawi Fruits commissioned a feasibility study in 2012 to identify possible cash crops for smallholding farmers in Northern Malawi. This led to a Paprika growing project funded under the Small Grants Programme in 2014. Since the original feasibility study was completed, a fruit processing factory has been set up in central Malawi, called Malawi Mangoes. This is 300 miles south of the farming areas covered by Malawi Fruits. Initial scoping has revealed that there is demand and capacity for much more fruit to be processed at Malawi Mangoes. This proposal would diversify the crops, offering more security. The risks of changing varieties have to be considered, and farmers would need support to grow fruit to the required standard. The study will look at scale and the model of business required, and includes a business plan.</p>

Capacity Building Grants

Organisation	Cerebral Palsy Africa
Award Detail	To carry out capacity building work to improve monitoring and evaluation in Malawi, and governance and fundraising in Scotland. This work will support the reporting of a project grant made under the small grants programme in 2014.
Total Funding	£8,136
Project Summary	CPA provides training to therapists, rehabilitation workers, special needs teachers and community groups, including how to make assistive aids from cardboard for children with Cerebral Palsy. Their work enables children with cerebral palsy to be included in school and community life. CPA is working with special needs teachers at Montford College, Blantyre, rehabilitation workers and parents on a three year project funded by a project grant from the small grants programme in 2014. Death and sickness of staff in Malawi has left gaps in knowledge of monitoring and evaluation and accounting. The Scottish organisation has implemented the NIDOS toolkit and recognises it needs to strengthen governance and fundraising to ensure sustainability.

Organisation	Mamie Martin Fund
Award Detail	To carry out capacity building work to develop monitoring and evaluation in Malawi, and printing the impact report in Scotland.
Total Funding	£7,705
Project Summary	The Mamie Martin Fund (MMF) aims to combat gender inequalities by supporting the education of girls in the Synod of Livingstonia, Malawi. The purpose of this capacity building work is to address identified needs of the MMF and its partner the Mamie Martin Fund Malawi, a committee of the Church of Central Africa Presbytery. It builds on capacity building work undertaken with funding from the small grants programme in 2014 that included an impact study. The study has revealed the need for a more systematic approach to monitoring and evaluation in Malawi. The impact study will also be developed as a publication for fundraising.

Chapter Two: All live Scottish Government funded projects (Ordered by Scottish grant recipient)

Scottish Partner	CBM UK
Malawian Organization	CBM Malawi and Montfort SNE College
Project Title	Equitable access to education for Children with Disabilities in Malawi
Total Funding	£395,192 over three financial years (2013-2016)
Project Detail	<p>The project aims at improving the quality of special needs education in Malawi by increasing access to and improving the quality of education for children with disabilities. The project is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training Community Based Rehabilitation staff and volunteers (300) on Early Childhood Development to increase number of children with disabilities (0-8 years) access improved early childhood development interventions. • Improving learning environment in 9 resource centres through SNE teacher assessment, training on appropriate use of equipment and provision of learning devices. • Promote positive attitude towards children with disabilities among government authorities and within SNE and mainstream education system by conducting sensitization training on the needs & rights of children with disabilities and training main stream teachers on inclusive education practices.
Progress Update	<p>Successes have included strengthened collaboration of stakeholders in promoting education for children with disabilities (school management committee, parent's teacher association, teachers, support groups) and improved learning environment in 9 resource centres. The shortage of specialist teachers to manage increasing numbers of children with disabilities has been a challenge. Increased levels of stakeholders in education are key to improving quality of education for children with disabilities.</p>

Scottish Partner	Cerebral Palsy Africa
Malawian Organization	MONTFORT SPECIALNEEDS EDUCATION COLLEGE
Project Title	For the training of special needs teachers in Malawi
Project Detail	The aim of the project is to train special needs teachers who majored in teaching children with learning disabilities to identify and manage children with cerebral palsy. In addition, the project also provides knowledge and skills in the making of assistive devices such as standing frame, cp chairs, reading boards and many more using simple paper technology (such materials are made from cardboards, old newspapers and home-made glue using wheat/cassava or maize flour). The intention is that once the project period phases out, Montfort College shall take up the responsibility of training the rest of the special needs teachers. In readiness for that, in the last phase of training by CP Africa, two lecturers from the college will participate in the full training so that they become trainers of trainers for CP.
Progress Update	The main challenge we face is transport. The college does not have a reliable vehicle to use for travel during the training. CP Africa is forced to hire a vehicle for the facilitators to travel in. This has been very expensive. Another challenge is that we have over 200 specialist teachers who majored in learning disabilities. The first training took 20 participants in 2010 while in 2014, twenty one teachers were trained, leaving out a large number of teachers untrained. The other challenge is lack of materials for the production of assistive technology. Reference materials are a challenge too.

Scottish Partner	Challenges Worldwide
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Capacity Building for Enterprise - Sustainability Phase (2012-15)

Scottish Partner	Chance for Change
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Routes for Change- Diversionary Programme (2015-18)

Scottish Partner	Chance for Change
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	"Rites of Passage" Malawi (2015-18)

Scottish Partner	Chance for Change
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Chance for Change "Leading Malawi" (2012-15)

Scottish Partner	Children's Medical Care Malawi
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	For the ETAT training programme for 900 newly qualified Malawian nurses and clinicians
Project Detail	<p>Many child deaths in hospital in Malawi could be prevented by more effective emergency care. ETAT (Emergency triage, assessment and treatment) is a World Health Organisation training programme aiming to improve paediatric emergency care in resource-limited settings.</p> <p>Hundreds of newly-qualified clinicians and nurses start work in Malawi each year, often in isolated health facilities, with little supervision. We want these healthcare workers to have the skills required to save sick children from the very first day of their working lives.</p> <p>Our project aims to introduce ETAT training to the curriculum of clinical officer, medical assistant and nursing students. The project is a partnership between Malawi College of Health Sciences, Malamulo College of Health Sciences and Children's Medical Care Malawi. We will build capacity by supporting 25 new ETAT instructors from our partner institutions to deliver effective paediatric emergency care training to 900 clinical and nursing students in 3 years.</p>
Progress Update	<p>Overall, we are progressing well. 30 lecturers completed instructor training and are delivering courses supported by external mentors. To date; we have completed 8 ETAT courses, training 592 students. We have faced financial challenges due to accommodation costs, need for instructor refresher training and higher than expected class sizes. We have evaluated our training and worked collaboratively to improve quality. For example, a refresher training day was held for instructors to improve clinical skills and scenario teaching. We have recently updated the WHO training materials following feedback from students, instructors and mentors. We have learned communication between partners is key.</p>

Scottish Partner	Christian Aid Scotland
Malawian Organization	Christian Aid Malawi
Project Title	Enhanced Community-Based Maternal, Neonatal and Child Care in Karonga District, Malawi” (2013-16)

Scottish Partner	Christian Aid Scotland
Malawian Organization	Christian Aid Malawi
Project Title	“Increasing Citizen’s Demand for Accountability and Transparency (ICiDAnT) for maternal and child health” (2015-18)
Total Funding	

Scottish Partner	Christian Aid Scotland
Malawian Organization	Christian Aid Malawi, Churches Action In Relief and Development(CARD), Centre for Environmental Policy and Advocacy (CEPA)
Project Title	Improved Community Resilience through Increased Water Supply and Food Security
Total Funding	£410,484
Project Detail	The 2 year project is being implemented in two TAs of Mbenje and Chimombo in Nsanje District. The project is being in a partnership led by Christian Aid with CARD and CEPA as direct implementers on the ground. The project seeks to strengthen community resilience and adaptation to climate change through rights based approaches, participatory and inclusive approaches to water resources. The key outputs include Increased Availability and access to safe and portable water for 1500 households in TA Chimombo and Mbenje; Increased Agricultural Production through Climate Smart Water Saving Technologies such as small scale irrigation for 400 farmers in two Traditional Authorities; Increased participation of district Structures in Water and Natural Resources Management and Strengthened Community and district information systems for water resource management and climate change. The project is phasing out June 2016
Progress Update	The communities have been equipped with knowledge and skills in climate change adaptation through trainings and exchange visits in modern agriculture and natural resources management. The project has so far strengthened ability of the communities to demand for services and have seen development of NRM related policy briefs to be used for Advocacy work. The construction of the Solar powered irrigation schemes is expected to be completed in March. The schemes have an estimated capacity of 250Litres per minute for Msamba site and 160 Litres per minute for Melo Site. The challenges met include water availability in first proposed site for irrigation and we had to move to the other sites. Heavy flooding in early 2015 hugely affected implementation of some of the activities.

Scottish Partner	Concern Worldwide
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	“Improving Opportunities and Use of Reproductive Health Among Women and Youth (OUR WAY)” (2013-16)

Scottish Partner	Edinburgh Napier University
Malawian Organization	Association of Malawian Midwives AMAMI
Project Title	Improving Respectful Midwifery Care in Rural Malawi: a Human Rights Approach” (2015-18)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>Improving access to maternity care is one of the most effective ways of reducing maternal death. Recent evidence suggests that the care women receive in some health facilities is not always respectful of their human rights. If their treatment is not humane, they are unlikely to seek or return for care, thus reducing the number of women cared for by skilled birth attendants. Attaining Respectful Maternity Care in childbirth will be achieved by embedding a human rights approach within pre and post registration midwifery education curricula, building capacity with midwifery educators and clinical leaders using a human rights approach. Midwives and their students will be supported through clinical supervision, assisting them to reflect on human rights as they practice clinically. Clinical environments will be improved to promote dignity and privacy. Systems will be developed that hold midwives accountable for the care they give. Women will be empowered through raising the profile of human rights in villages through community engagement.</p>
Progress Update	<p>We are ready to commence baseline data collection and preliminary analysis. We have piloted a Respectful Maternity Care training package and are developing learning and teaching materials. We are exploring embedding RMC within Malawian strategic midwifery documents. There have been challenges, resulting in significant delays to the start of the project. These include a new job for the principal investigator with resultant delays. The appointed project officer resigned soon after appointment thus incurring further delay. We are now in the process of appointing new post holder during this visit. Key learning for the novice Project Manager is to build up a close knit team and keep communication channels open.</p>

Scottish Partner	EMMS International
Malawian Organization	Ekwendeni College of Health Sciences and Malawi Health Equity Network
Project Title	RNM and Clinical Officer Training, Ekwendeni College of Health Sciences
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Ekwendeni College of Health Sciences has, using Scottish Government and EMMS International funding, set up two courses: a pre-service course to train Registered Nurse Midwives, and a pre-service course to train Clinical Officers. This will help Malawi to solve its severe shortage of healthcare staff, and will help to reduce Malawi's poor maternal mortality rate.
Progress Update	Both courses have been established, and are training their second intakes of students on these 4-year (RNM) and 3-year (CO) courses. On each course, one of the intakes was of self-funding students. This has proven demand for the course, and is evidence of how Malawians are helping themselves.

Scottish Partner	Glasgow Caledonian University
Malawian Organization	Centre for Social Research, University of Malawi
Project Title	Water for ALL
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The overarching objective of the Water for is to contribute towards achieving water access equity and entitlements through the development of effective socially inclusive and gender transformative and climate just governance systems based on initiatives to create and build sustainable capacity using the climate justice framework. The underlying belief of the project is that the climate justice framework has enormous potential to contribute to the improvement of knowledge and skills of stakeholders as a strategy to build in house capacity so that they are able to take charge of, control and direct future programmes and projects identifying and reaching key target groups particularly those left behind, the poorest and most vulnerable segments of society. The main thrust of the climate justice framework is that solutions to climate change must protect the most vulnerable, compensate those who are displaced, guarantee individual and collective rights, and respect people's rights to participate in decisions that impact their lives.
Progress Update	The project is progressing very well although it somewhat behind schedule due a late start as a result of some logistical challenges. The project implementation has been divided into four phases. We are now moving into the third phase. There have not been particularly difficult issues but rather that the fieldwork was rather demanding than we thought We generated more data than anticipated. The major point of learning is that the water problem in the country is far much more serious than it is projected in official documents and even in popular discourse.

Scottish Partner	Glasgow City Council
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Malawi Leaders of Learning

Scottish Partner	Imani Development
Malawian Organization	Imani Consultants, Ltd
Project Title	IFCAP – Integrated Farming for Cooperative Agribusiness Programme
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>The IFCAP project is using an innovative approach to improve livelihoods through sugar production. IFCAP blends large scale efficiencies with smallholder farmer ownership. Utilizing irrigation installed for sugarcane production, IFCAP supports agricultural diversification to meet smallholders’ nutrition, energy, and income needs as well as those of the surrounding community.</p> <p>Interventions include the construction of 10 fish ponds on a 1.2 hectare site, planting of over 1,000 improved variety fruit trees, development of woodlot with 25,000 indigenous trees planted, and harvest of 39 tonnes of maize and 17.5 tonnes of beans for nutrition and income. A demonstration centre has been completed with a tree nursery and vegetable garden. Over 350 350 training days have been provided with topics including fruit tree propagation and sustainable agricultural techniques.</p>

Scottish Partner	Impact, University of Aberdeen
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	A Sustainable Rural Midwifery Model

Scottish Partner	Just Trading Scotland
Malawian Organization	NASFAM/KASFA
Project Title	Water for ALL
Total Funding	“Improving the livelihoods of rice farmers in Karonga” (2013-16)
Project Detail	The project aims to introduce improved seeds to 5000 rice farmers in Karonga area; and to supply ox-carts, and tarpaulins for threshing to reduce labour and improve efficiency. High quality, ‘basic’ rice seed was bought from the research station at Lifuwu and grown on under controlled conditions by 250 lead farmers producing 100 MT of certified rice seed. This was distributed to 5 000 farmers (20 kg each) who repaid 40 kg each at harvest. This repaid rice will form the basis of a revolving fund which will enable the process to be repeated. The project also aims to open up markets for Malawi rice in Scotland, UK and Europe.
Progress Update	The seed multiplication and distribution of ox-carts and tarpaulins has worked well and we are approaching the end of the project (March) We have had excellent support from NASFAM/KASFA and to date all targets have been achieved in Malawi. In Scotland strong support from SMP and the Fair Trade movement has provided good sales in schools and churches and fair trade groups. New packaging and branding for the rice was successfully launched in January with Scottish Government and SMP support and has already opened up significant new markets.

Scottish Partner	Link Community Development
Malawian Organization	Click here to enter text.
Project Title	Supporting School Improvement in Malawi (2012-15)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The project supported Dedza District Education Office to conduct School Performance Review (SPR) and School Performance Appraisal Meetings (SPAM) in all 236 primary schools. SPR involves assessing whole school performance against 17 indicators covering teaching & learning; leadership & management; governance and child friendly schools. The assessment is conducted by Primary Education Advisors (PEAs) and experienced head teachers. It involves classroom observation and interviews with learners, teachers and school governing bodies. The school receives a report on the strengths and weaknesses identified as well as recommendations for improvement. At SPAM the head teacher presents this report to a meeting of all stakeholders within the community, who are invited to offer their own views on the school’s performance, reflect on challenges, and help develop the school improvement plan. The data from SPR is held at district level and is used for planning resource distribution and inform District Education Plan.

Progress Update	SSIM phased out in 2015 after registering many successes including holding of District Education Conferences in 2013 and 2015 where stakeholders reflected on school performance across the district, and held the district to account for the quality of education. Key learning: - Working in-depth in a district and developing strong relationships with District Education Office, and designing interventions where district staff are key delivery partners is key to ensuring that projects are absorbed into District structures and lead to systemic change. - Involvement of learners and community members in project cycles such as SPR, SPAM and SIP development enables them to express their views freely, most of which are included in SIP development.
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Scottish Partner	Link Community Development
Malawian Organization	Click here to enter text.
Project Title	Support to the Inspection and Advisory Services in Malawi (SIAS) Project
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The purpose of the project is to enhance the provision of quality education to the children of Malawi by supporting the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology through the Department of Inspection and Advisory Services (DIAS) to do two key things: 1) to develop a cadre of professionally trained, knowledgeable inspectors who are able to effectively inspect schools and to monitor school improvement throughout Malawi; and 2) to develop a cadre of professionally trained and knowledgeable PEAs who are able to effectively support school improvement throughout Malawi. The most celebrated outcome of this project is the development of National Education Standards (NES) which were launched by the Minister of Education Science and Technology in August 2015. Other outcomes include the development of a Handbook and Guidelines for Inspectors and Advisors, as well as tools to enable Inspectors and Advisors to effectively support school improvement in Dedza.
Progress Update	The project is in its final phase of implementation with evaluation coming in March 2016. Aligning with the ever-changing per diem policy of Government proved harder than anticipated in both this project and the one described above. Nonetheless, through this project it has been clearly demonstrated or learnt that supporting the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology to achieve its priorities and objectives is more effective and more sustainable than creating parallel systems. In addition, involvement of community members in project design and implementation is crucial for achieving set targets and ensuring sustainability of the innovation.

Scottish Partner	Malawi Fruits
Malawian Organization	Nyika Food Trust
Project Title	“For the Paprika project, supporting subsistence farmers in Northern Malawi to develop a cash crop for the benefit of their families”
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The project supports smallholder farmers to grow cash crops. This began with Paprika and we have now diversified into also growing groundnuts for seed – this gives added security to the farmers and the opportunity for crop rotation. We provide farmer training and loans for inputs all organised through a farmers’ club structure with lead farmers. The farmers are in Mzomba North and Rhumpi Districts and we have targeted farmers who have not grown cash crops before. We have identified a three stage approach to improving the livelihoods of farmers: 1. To support them to grow cash crops as described: 2. To provide irrigation wherever possible and we now have additional (non Scottish Government) funding to do this and work has begun: 3. To add value to crops through processing and we have completed a feasibility study which points the way towards some exciting developments which we are beginning this year.
Progress Update	For this season we have 488 farmers (202 last year) and we are delighted with this large increase which exceeds the target for our grant. All the farmers are growing paprika and 180 of them are also growing groundnut for seed. So far the rains have been okay although 4 farmers had their crop washed away due to flooding. Recovering loans is a challenge for us – we saw some improvement in recovery rates last year and we have taken steps to have a more robust system for this season and so we expect improved results. Poor rains last year contributed to the low recovery rates. We are a small organisation and the injury to a key worker in a traffic accident is having a big impact and sadly means that our Executive Director needs to be in the fields rather than in Lilongwe today.

Scottish Partner	Mamie Martin Fund
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	“Fundraising and marketing in Scotland, and organisational strategy and development, and monitoring and evaluation in Malawi, including an impact report.”
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Research on the impact of the Mamie Martin Fund over the 22 years of its operation has been conducted in Malawi and an Impact Report produced. The Mamie Martin Fund website has been redesigned, a fundraising strategy established and marketing materials produced. Monitoring and evaluation systems have been agreed with the 4 schools in Malawi that we work with and are being introduced over the coming months. A Trustee visited Mzuzu in January 2015 and there will be a 2nd visit in the Summer of 2016.

Progress Update	MMF has been in receipt of two Capacity Building grants – and is about halfway through the time of the second one. Progress has been good and we are delighted with work completed so far. There have been some communication difficulties and the MMF Administrator post has been vacant for 9 months which has caused delay in some of the work and the 2nd grant has had to be extended. We have learned that it is important to allow more time for work to be carried out to cope with any delays and be very specific and detailed about schedules and outcomes.
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Scottish Partner	Mary's Meals
Malawian Organization	Mary's Meals Malawi
Project Title	Mary's Meals Under-Six Feeding Programme (2012-15)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The focus of the project remained on providing vital support to orphans and highly vulnerable young children in Malawi, through the provision of early childhood development education and nutritional care to over 6,500 orphans and vulnerable children in 45 community based childcare centres in Malawi. The project is delivered with the active involvement and collaboration of trained local volunteers and community members, with support from a trained team of ECD officers. In this context of high food insecurity and widespread poverty, the project played a vital role in reducing hunger among pre-school aged children and resulted in significant improvements to the children's health and nutritional status. In addition, the project promotes primary school readiness amongst children attending, as well as building capacity of local communities through training and ongoing mentoring visits to centres.
Progress Update	This projects funding through Scottish Government came to an end in March 2015. Over the funding period there was great progress and achievements made within the project. These successes included significant reduction in rates of child malnutrition, improved links with community health services and investment through training of caregivers in the programme. This project made a lasting impact in the lives of highly vulnerable children with regards to improvements in health and nutrition; enhanced social, emotional and cognitive development; and improved school-readiness skills. As a result, the funding from the Scottish Government gave over 6,500 children a better start in life. The project is ongoing and continues to develop.

Scottish Partner	Mary's Meals
Malawian Organization	Mary's Meals Malawi
Project Title	Mary's Meals School Feeding Programme Expansion (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Now in its third year, the project is reaching 21,532 children with a nutritious daily meal in 22 schools across Balaka and Neno districts. Reaching vulnerable children across both districts through this provision of a meal at school, the project is designed to improve children's participation in and progression through primary school. Working in partnership with the community, the project builds local capacity to deliver the programme through training and ongoing mentoring, with the active engagement of the Government of Malawi.
Progress Update	The project is progressing well in line with key indicators and objectives. Enrolment has increased by over 18% across the project schools since inception. Through ongoing training, mentoring and extensive collaboration, community participation across these projects is strong, with a feeding rate of over 90% across the schools and adequate volunteer participation on 95% of days. The schools have reported reduced dropouts, particularly amongst girls which is a fantastic achievement. All schools have established woodlots in place and are using fuel efficient stoves.

Scottish Partner	Mary's Meals
Malawian Organization	Mary's Meals Malawi
Project Title	"Mary's Meals School Feeding Programme Expansion in the Machinga District of Malawi (2015-18)"
Project Detail	This project expands the Mary's Meals School feeding programme in Malawi to reach an additional 33,800 children by March 2016 in 30 schools within Machinga district. The project will be delivered in two phases, with 15 schools in phase one and a further 15 schools in phase two. As well as providing a meal during the school day to help alleviate hunger, the project also enables children to enrol and stay in school. The project is delivered in close partnership and with active support from schools, community volunteers and in collaboration with other partners including the Government of Malawi Ministry of Science & Technology. The projects have a focus on sustainable fuel use, with all schools developing woodlots and training given in woodlot management.
Progress Update	This project is progressing well through its first year, with the first phase successfully completed. Comprehensive training has taken place of all schools and communities in phase one with feeding successfully rolled out on schedule. There are a number of positive achievements within this first year; enrolment has increased 11% across the phase one schools, with girls making up 50% of children enrolled. The project has registered significant community support, with a feeding rate of 97% and most notably, not a single day lost as a result of volunteer absence in the first reporting period. We are now making preparations for phase two which will begin in March 2016 with training and community sensitization followed by the rolling out of feeding in April 2016.

Scottish Partner	Meningitis Research Foundation
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	“Action Meningitis: Enhancing Awareness and Recognition of Severe Illness in Children in Malawi” (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The aim is to improve the timely recognition and treatment of children with severe illness at primary health centres by delivering triage through mobile health technology, and increase awareness of meningitis among the public to encourage parents and guardians to seek medical assistance sooner when their children are ill. We are working in 7 Primary Centres and one district hospital where triage would not normally be in place.
Progress Update	This project is now complete. It benefitted 180,803 children under 15 years. 193 Healthcare Workers were trained in triage and how to use a specially designed mHealth tool. Health awareness raising to encourage clinic visits engaged 5,868 community members through community theatre in Blantyre. Evaluation shows people reported being influenced to attend the health clinic when their child was ill. We experienced difficulties securing a suitable in-country theatre group during the run up to the Presidential elections in 2014, resulting in project delays. This has been taken on board for future planning.

Scottish Partner	Meningitis Research Foundation
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	“Triage and treatment, training and engagement. A package for sustainable healthcare improvement in Malawi's primary health clinics” (2015-18)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	We are building on previous Scottish Government funded work introducing triage using a mobile phone tool into community health clinics in Blantyre and Chikhwawa. This project will develop the triage technology and training, and provide the MoH with all the tools and standards it needs to roll the service out more widely.
Progress Update	We are approaching the end of year one of a three year project. We have recruited additional team members who are developing a system to deliver improved triage and its monitoring. In the meantime we continue to deliver triage to 8 centres and staff have completed training this month, and more training is planned next month. We have had particular difficulties gaining ethics approval to cover work in new centres. The impact of increased COMREC fees will ultimately have a significant impact on the project.

Scottish Partner	MicroLoan Foundation UK
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Stimulating business development and income-growth in Central Malawi” (2013-16)

Scottish Partner	NHS Lothian
Malawian Organization	Nkhoma CCAP Hospital, Nkhoma
Project Title	“Developing a sustainable programme of cervical screening using VIA (visual inspection with acetic acid) and HPV (human papillomavirus) testing in rural Malawi.” (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Malawi has the highest incidence of cervical cancer in the world Government policy supports screening using visual inspection with acetic acid (VIA), but screening provision is limited (lack of trained personnel, cost and availability of gas for cryotherapy). Our project seeks to raise awareness of the importance of cervical screening in central Malawi, through Nkhoma CCAP Hospital and its 10 surrounding Health Centres, improve on the quality of VIA through regular competence assessment and recognised standards and to offer same day treatment with a portable, low cost alternative to cryotherapy. We are also looking at the alternative of objective HPV testing to prioritise HPV+ women to VIA thus making better use of skilled personnel . Standard operating procedures and sustainable clinical pathways for women in whom high grade lesions and cancers are detected have been established, including Palliative care services. Collaboration with senior staff in Ministry of Health (Safe Motherhood, NCDs and Screening co-ordination) has been important and training materials produced.
Progress Update	The project has significantly over-achieved in terms of women screened (>14,000 against 3 year target of 8,000), numbers given treatment on same day have been high (70% of VIA positives) and number of providers trained has exceeded target(anticipated 42 by March 2016 against target of 32). Greatest challenges have been retaining time of trained staff to provide regular screening services and having sufficient equipment and sterilising facilities available to meet local demand. Messages concentrating on importance of attending local Health Centres for cervical screening had reached an estimated 60,000 females, 40,000 males and 198 community leaders/ clinical staff by September 2015. Success has been largely driven by good communication processes and word of mouth satisfied dissemination thereafter.

Scottish Partner	NHS Lothian
Malawian Organization	Nkhoma CCAP Hospital, Nkhoma
Project Title	The Edinburgh Malawi Cancer Partnership (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The overall objective of this project is to support the ongoing development of the cancer and palliative care unit at Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital, Blantyre sharing expertise and developing clinical pathways to promote high quality, safe and effective treatment for patients with all stages of cancer.
Progress Update	Progress to date includes completion of an oncology nursing education programme, introduction of multi-disciplinary team meetings to discuss complex cases, completion of a cross-specialty breast cancer symposium, completion of several reciprocal visits, development of a clinical database for prospective collection of clinical data from the oncology unit and presentation of outcome data at the African Oncology meeting (AORTIC) 2015.

Scottish Partner	NHS Lothian
Malawian Organization	Nkhoma CCAP Hospital, Nkhoma
Project Title	The Edinburgh Malawi Breast Cancer Project (2015-18)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The objective of this project is to achieve and demonstrate improvement in breast cancer treatment at Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital, Blantyre. This will be achieved through introduction of contemporary pathology procedures (hormone receptor status testing) and the development of multi-disciplinary clinical pathways to promote high quality, targeted treatment and co-ordinated care for all patients with breast cancer referred to QECH.
Progress Update	Progress to date includes the completion of an extension to the pathology lab to allow development of enhanced pathology service including hormone receptor testing for breast cancer and recruitment of the first oncology nurse specialising in breast cancer care.

Scottish Partner	Opportunity International UK
Malawian Organization	Opportunity Bank Malawi
Project Title	“Stimulating wealth creation, increasing employment and fostering local entrepreneurship in Malawi (2015-18)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Developing financial products and expertise within OBM to facilitate the scaling up of micro-finance clients to successful SMEs, with a particular focus on businesses built and led by women. Key focus on graduating existing female group clients with a proven track record of managing their finances and steadily growing their business , transition them from operating small-scale micro-enterprises in the informal sector to managing larger sustainable businesses, through gender-focussed product development, targeted training sessions and a mentoring scheme. [
Progress Update	It is still early days but making steady progress developing financial products and assessing financial risk management in the economic climate. Taking advice from micro and SME financial institutions in neighbouring countries. Embedding learning within OBM, consulting with UN Women and women in business networks. Having representatives from such external group as well as an OBM SME client join the Project steering committee that oversee to the effective implementation of the project has been particularly useful in bringing important external views and guidance as well as serving as “critical” friends to the project.

Scottish Partner	Orskov Foundation
Malawian Organization	The African Moringa and Permaculture Project
Project Title	Food Forests
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>Reforestation is often talked about in terms of planting trees and often only a single species. These efforts frequently lead to large numbers of trees being uniformly planted with low survival rates, high vulnerability to disease and inability to adapt to increasingly unpredictable climactic changes.</p> <p>Food forests use a more holistic approach to reforestation. By mimicking natural native forests. The project will be able to increase forest productivity, biodiversity, soil regeneration rates and resilience to climate change. <i>The Food Forest Project</i> will prioritise multipurpose trees within a highly diverse forest system comprising seven forest layers: the canopy, lower canopy, shrub layer, herbaceous layer, groundcovers, rhizosphere (root crops) and a climbing layer (vines).</p> <p><i>The Food Forest Project</i> will set up food forests on currently non-productive community land entrusted to the VNRC by the village headman and on similar land owned by approximately 120 households in Kasankha.</p>

Progress Update	<p>The Project is just over half way through its 36 month implementation period.</p> <p>Our biggest challenge is with trying to keep up with demand. We are forced to actively turn down fantastic opportunities for expansion because we simply do not have the resources to effectively meet demand. While this is extremely frustrating, it is also a great sign that what we are doing is being very well received. We are dealing with this by not fully turning people away but rather by starting with small solutions (borehole gardens, central small scale examples...etc) which we hope will provide a basis for growth in coming years.</p> <p>The other big challenge is water. The rain season 2014/15 was very poor and we are experiencing extremely high hot season temperatures. Though overall our tree survival rates are very good, the lack of water and intense heat has taken its toll. We have been implementing our mitigation plans (e.g. protect the soil with heavy mulch and ground covers to minimise evaporation and ensure any rainfall is used to its full potential) in an attempt reduce the impact from this and, in general, our food forest land is performing better than land where these are not being adopted.</p>
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Scottish Partner	Oxfam Scotland
Malawian Organization	Oxfam in Malawi
Project Title	Women famers access value-chains and adapt to climate change (2012-15)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>Oxfam implemented the “Women farmers’ access value-chains and adapt to climate change” project in Lilongwe, Mchinji and Dowa Districts in partnership with Catholic Development Commission (CADECOM) and Churches Action in Relief and Development (CARD). The project aimed at improving the livelihoods of 15,000 small scale women producers through value chain approach, access to sustainable agricultural markets and access to finance through village savings and loans (VSL). The project was implemented from April 2012 to March 2015.</p>
Progress Update	<p>The project is now closed. By March 2015, the project had managed to support and train 19,241 women small scale producers and 3,609 men in the three districts. The project also supported the farmers to establish six associations, five cooperatives and 42 farmers groups which increased their participation in three value chains – beans, soya beans and groundnuts. Six agro processing centres were established and equipped for value addition supporting 391 women with an income .Through the project, women small scale producers in the three districts were linked to sustainable agriculture markets such as Sunseed Oil company, Group Trading Company (GTC) and Capital Oil Refining Industry. The Village Savings and Loans (VSL) were particularly successful with 446 associations formed with 17,800 women members who were able to collectively save £14,870 and borrow money for small scale business such as selling groceries and food. An example is a group of ten women in Lilongwe who had saved MK500,000 (£760) allowing their members to borrow small amounts for business.</p>

Scottish Partner	Oxfam Scotland
Malawian Organization	Oxfam in Malawi
Project Title	Social and economic empowerment of 19,200 smallholder producers in rural Malawi (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The overall objective of the project is to support 19,200 poor smallholder producers, especially women, to become resilient by earning a decent living from farming and new enterprise activities. The project is being implemented in partnership with Circle for Integrated Community Development (CICOD), Malawi Interfaith Aids Association (MIAA) and Centre for Alternatives for Victimised Women and Children (CAVWOC) in 2 districts of Kasungu and Chiradzulu from April 2013 to March 2016. The project is aimed at addressing the four challenges that smallholder producers in Malawi experience, which are; low production levels particularly in horticulture enterprises; limited skills and technology to optimise livestock and crop production; poor access to financial and market services and weak capacity in advocacy by smallholder producers in engaging decision and policy makers as well as service providers.
Progress Update	Project work has now phased out of Chiradzulu but continues in Kasungu district. The project has assisted the targeted households to increase income for their household and other uses. Number of people that have been able to increase their income above the national level has risen from 46% to 50%. Through the project, beneficiaries have been empowered to know and demand their rights with regards to health and livelihoods. Beneficiaries are now able to ask for health services such as medicine in health centres when they are told they are not available. They are also able to go to their district council and demand essential services that are not available in their areas. The project has registered remarkable progress in crop production, especially in horticulture whereby smallholder producers are growing leafy vegetables and fruit vegetables through winter cropping. The project has also established markets by linking smallholder producers with structured markets. The smallholder producers have been provided with trainings and exchange/exposure visits as a means to build their capacity and inputs to produce profitable crops (mushroom, fish, soya, vegetables) thereby assuring them of economic wellbeing. Hard areas: Farmers need more skills in enterprises such as mushroom, linkage of VSLAs to microfinance institutions has also been a challenge

Scottish Partner	Oxfam Scotland
Malawian Organization	Oxfam in Malawi
Project Title	Improved livelihoods for 3,000 poor farmers and their families in rural Malawi (2015-18)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>The project is implemented in partnership with Churches Action in Relief and Development (CARD) and Catholic Development Commission of Malawi (CADECOM) in Mchinji, Lilongwe and Rumphu districts. Implementation started in September 2015 and will end in March 2018. This project aims to address the inter-related challenges of economic insecurity and access to energy, to reduce levels of poverty for a target group of 3,000 rural poor households. In total the project is improving the lives of more than 13,800 people. By installing solar units and establishing irrigation sites, 500 farmers will be trained on sustainable management of resources and use irrigation to improve their crops and increase production. Start-up solar power units will enable an additional 1,000 farmers to start adding value to their produce and become linked to commercial buyers and reliable markets. A further 1,500 farmers will develop small scale business enterprises using solar power. We will work with the Government of Malawi to formulate a legal framework governing the use of renewable energy.</p>
Progress Update	<p>The project has managed to identify 3 irrigation sites (1 per district) for establishment of solar powered irrigation schemes. Currently construction work is underway. Farmers have also been identified to participate in the irrigation activities. In order to ensure sustainable management of forests, 3 Village Natural Resource Management Committees (VNRMCs) have been identified in the targeted districts. 4 business groups have also been organised to participate in the different value addition initiatives. Value chain analysis was conducted in all the districts to identify which crops will be promoted for value addition. Currently procurement of solar powered value addition technologies is underway. Village Savings and loans groups have also been identified to undertake small businesses.</p>

Scottish Partner	Scotland Malawi Business Group
Malawian Organization	Aquaculture Enterprise
Project Title	Aquaculture Enterprise Malawi (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>Three year Scottish Government funded project developing entrepreneurial small to mid-scale commercial aquaculture in peri-urban areas around Blantyre, Southern Malawi. Works with small numbers of carefully selected individual producers who fulfil criteria for project engagement and standalone financial viability. Provides entrepreneurial fish farmers with good quality feed and fingerlings, business start-up advice, training and loans for feed if required. Has an approach and work ethic which is markedly different from previous funded aquaculture projects in Malawi. Has an in country technical team including commercial aquaculture experience from a number of SS African countries. This team regularly visits individual producers on monthly/sometimes weekly basis to carry out test weighing and provision of advice. Fish farmer's performance is carefully monitored towards profitability at the end of a six month production period. The team supports producers in their market chain development and obtaining optimum prices towards higher profit margins and standalone financial viability</p>
Progress Update	<p>It employees three Technical officers and one Project Manager. Its fish famer started making profits in the second year. We worked with 12 fish farmers in the first year, 26 fish farmers in the second year and 42 fish farmers in the third year. The supply of fingerlings on time as well as quality fish feed has been a challenge. Other fish farmers experienced floods on their fish ponds while other had problems of theft on their fish ponds. Availability of quality fish feed and fingerlings are key to the development of fish farming as a business. Constant monitoring of fish farmers' ponds and training are also fundamental.</p>

Scottish Partner	Scotland-Malawi Mental Health Education Project
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	“Enhancing Mental Health Training” (2013-16)

Scottish Partner	Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF)
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Mangochi Livelihoods and Economic Recovery Project (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The project period is 2013- 2016 with the budget of USD378,233.It is in Mangochi district, TA Nankumba, Nankwali Parish targeting 3000 vulnerable households. It is funded by Australian Government through Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund. The project objective is to improve the social and economic status of the vulnerable households through increased income and food security, promotion of village savings and loans, small scale businesses and creation of assets through the labour intensive public works .CADECOM has four field workers who work with the beneficiaries in groups and using local Government structures.
Progress Update	The project has been progressing well in the last 2 years but the floods in 2015 and drought in 2016 has slowed progress. Food security improved from 20 to 65.4%,6 irrigation schemes(16.6 ha)developed,99.82 km of earth feeder roads constructed and 64 Village savings and loans groups with MK9,670,0845.00 revolving capital formed and functional. Majority (60%) of beneficiaries are women which is very good as women are most vulnerable. Formation of cooperatives has been harder than anticipated due to lengthy procedures and rigid policies(only Ministry of Trade is authorised to train Cooperatives)Effect of climate change is posing challenge to gains made in the last years. Lesson learnt is that women manage better village savings and loan groups than men and default rates are very low.

Scottish Partner	Scottish Catholic International Aid Fund (SCIAF)
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Best Practices & Innovation in Sustainable Water Resource Management
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The Kulima project started in 2012 and will end in 2017 after two years extension. It is funded by Scottish Government through SCIAF with budget of GBP 300,000. The project is being implemented in TA Nankumba, Nankumba parish in Mangochi district targeting 150 vulnerable households. The project aims at documenting the low cost and indigenous best practices and innovations that promotes sustainable agriculture .The project focuses on training the targeted households in sustainable agriculture through promotion of environmental friendly technologies such as use of compost and organic manure, agroforestry, integrated pest management, soil and water conservation and small scale irrigation.
Progress Update	The project has achieved 90% of its overall objective of increasing food security through promotion of sustainable agriculture technologies and also has managed to document best practices in sustainable agriculture. The hard area is that full adoption of the technologies by targeted households has been slower than anticipated. Long term(5 years) projects are ideal in the promotion of sustainable agriculture as the results are based on cumulative gains therefore increased productivity is gradual.

Scottish Partner	Scottish Malawi Foundation
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	“Electricity Kiosks in Off-grid Villages”
Total Funding	

Scottish Partner	Sense Scotland
Malawian Organization	Church of Central Africa Presbyterian
Project Title	“Malawi Deaf/Deafblind Awareness & Communication Training (M-DACT)”
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The project aims to increase the number of deaf and hearing impaired children accessing and achieving education in Northern Malawi and raise awareness of the needs and rights of deaf children amongst parents, teachers and communities through awareness and communication training.
Progress Update	In the final two months of a three year project. Good community buy in and ownership with individual and unique responses by communities to engage with families with learners with special education needs. Working with rising costs for goods and services has been challenging. Key learning includes embedding all parent support groups with local government development structures and empowering parents/carers to advocate for their children’s education.

Scottish Partner	SGURR
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	“Powering Development in Mulanje”

Scottish Partner	Sue Ryder
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Mobile Clinics in rural Malawi (2012-15)

Scottish Partner	Tearfund
Malawian Organization	Tearfund Malawi
Project Title	Karonga Girls and Boys empowerment project: Scaling up long term response to HIV/AIDS and reducing household poverty.
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>Tearfund Implementing partner: LISAP</p> <p>The aim of the project is to increase awareness and knowledge in 35,760 children in the targeted TAs in Karonga District to empower and equip them to protect themselves from harmful cultural, social, and economic practices which expose them to abuse, deny them educational opportunities and put them at greater risk of HIV infection, poverty and other associated health risks. Main activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Supporting the communities to develop community bylaws against child marriage and child labour in 156 villages and developing mother and father groups to support their implementation and to support vulnerable children. 2. Helping children complete their primary and secondary education by financial support to vulnerable children and by supporting schools to identify early and act when children are absent. 3. Increasing voluntary HIV testing through enhanced HIV and AIDS education and increasing access to mobile HIV testing and counselling (HTC) 4. Improving learners' knowledge of sexual reproductive health (SRH) and associated rights through community trainings and the formation and development of life skills clubs in schools. 5. Supporting households to increase their household income through supporting 145 village saving and loans groups and giving 120 families livestock support. 6. Increasing the influence of girls and boys in parliamentary discussion
Progress Update	

Scottish Partner	Tearfund
Malawian Organization	Tearfund Malawi
Project Title	Khwamba Sustainable Livelihoods Improvement Project
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>Tearfund Implementing Partner: Ministry of Hope</p> <p>This project aims to reduce poverty and extreme hunger for 30,000 people (6,000 direct beneficiaries) by empowering vulnerable households through livelihoods improvement and strengthening of the local governance and</p>

	<p>development structures Main outputs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increased crop production and crop diversification at household level – training 6,000 farmers on crop production and post-production processes (e.g. seed management, value addition & market chain analysis) 2. Increased community and household capacity to sustainably manage natural resources - sensitizing 6,000 farmers in natural resources management for environmental protection and sustainable farming using the trained lead farmers, establishing 60 tree nurseries and planting 200,000 trees 3. Increasing economic empowerment at household level through enhanced entrepreneurial skills and access to loans – establishment and training of 6,000 SHG members
Progress Update	

Scottish Partner	Tearfund
Malawian Organization	Tearfund Malawi
Project Title	Girls and Boys Empowerment Project in Rural Chitipa
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>Tearfund Implementing partner: LISAP</p> <p>This project seeks to empower and equip communities in Njerengwa education zone in Chitipa District in Northern Malawi to protect 7,863 children from harmful cultural, social and economic practices that deny them their rights to education and put them at risk of poverty, HIV infection and other associated health risks. This is being achieved through:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increasing community engagement in protecting children’s rights by supporting communities to establish and enforce bylaws that protect the rights of children and by increasing the awareness of child rights, both at community and local government level. 2. Increasing the economic activities of adults through the promotion and establishment of self- help groups (SHGs) to enable them to afford costs related to motivating and keeping their children in school; 3. Empowering children through life skills training and sexual reproductive health and rights (SRHR) education to enable them make informed choices about their life and education and; 4. Empowering communities to advocate for improved educational services in their educational zone.
Progress Update	

Scottish Partner	Tearfund
Malawian Organization	Tearfund Malawi
Project Title	Water and Climate Justice in Malawi

Scottish Partner	Tearfund
Malawian Organization	Tearfund Malawi
Project Title	Enhancing Water Management in Rural Malawi
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>Tearfund Implementing partners: Eagles & AG Care</p> <p>The project supports climate change adaptation through building water rights governance and providing access to sustainable safe drinking water for 6,000 households in Balaka and Salima districts of Malawi. Main aims:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improved governance of water resources at national, district and community levels. Activities include building citizens' awareness on water rights and responsibilities and building their capacity to assert their water access rights and improve their skills in responsible water resource management. Adult literacy education and climate change clubs in school also support this objective 2. Improved adaptation capacity of households to effects of climate change. Activities include training the communities in production and use of fuel efficient stoves, afforestation, training on early warning systems and flood management, training in conservation farming, self-help groups. 3. Increased access to clean and safe water. Activities include rehabilitating non-functional water points, training water point committees, conducting water quality testing, training on water safety plans at district and community level.
Progress Update	

Scottish Partner	The Balmore Trust
Malawian Organization	KASFA
Project Title	“Small Grant For the development, testing, and scoping of the manufacture of a rice threshing machine.”
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The aim is to develop pedal-driven threshing machines based on an earlier Scottish design to reduce labour inputs and spillage in the current threshing methods used in Malawi. A prototype was developed in Dumfries in Scotland and shipped out for field trials in summer 2015. Once the lessons from the field trials have been successfully incorporated into a new version of the machine, the aim is to manufacture the machine in Malawi and to distribute to farmers through farmers’ clubs.
Progress Update	The project is still at an early stage. Getting the machines into the fields has proved more of a challenge than anticipated and has shown the need to reduce the weight of the machine as far as possible. We are now looking at a modular design and at ways of modifying the drive mechanism which may reduce weight and prove more suitable to climatic conditions in Malawi. Further trials will take place this year with a view to moving to manufacturing in 2017.

Scottish Partner	The Co-operative College
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Supporting Co-operatives in Malawi (2012-15)
Total Funding	

Scottish Partner	The Co-operative College
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	The improved sustainability and viability of the cooperative movement across Malawi (2015-18)
Total Funding	

Scottish Partner	Global Concerns Trust
Malawian Organization	KODO
Project Title	Tools and Training for Livelihood in Malawi (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	We work with MACOHA in Nkotakota district, and KODO in Salima, to implement vocational training courses for adults with disabilities living in rural districts of Malawi. 129 adults with disabilities, over 3 years, will undergo 6 – 12 months vocational training in carpentry, tailoring or basket chair weaving, business and health training, and receive the tools and materials needed to start up businesses. All the tools and sewing machines shipped to Malawi are donated in Scotland and refurbished by volunteers, largely adults with learning disabilities.
Progress Update	This project will finish in March 2016. We are on course to achieve all project target milestones. Our monitoring of graduates businesses show that 98% of graduate trainees have started businesses resulting in an average increase of income of 550%, with graduates families experiencing an average increase of income of 450%. For the majority of graduates this means that they are now able to support themselves and their families, purchase household goods, livestock, and in some cases build better houses, rent land and pay for labour to farm land. Graduate trainees report a great increase in confidence as to their abilities and standing within their communities.

Scottish Partner	Global Concerns Trust
Malawian Organization	KODO
Project Title	Tools for Training for Livelihood in Malawi (2015-18)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	We work with MACOHA in Nkotakota and Ntcheu districts, and KODO in Salima, to implement vocational training courses for adults with disabilities living in rural districts of Malawi. 157 adults with disabilities, over 3 years, will undergo 6 – 12 months vocational training in carpentry, tailoring or basket chair weaving, business and health training, and receive the tools and materials needed to start-up businesses. Trainees also undergo organic manure training and receive solar powered home energy systems. Graduate trainees are visited in their homes 3 times in the year after training, and are invited to attend skill sharing workshops with their training cohorts. All the tools and sewing machines shipped to Malawi are donated in Scotland and refurbished by volunteers, largely adults with learning disabilities.
Progress Update	We are approaching the end of the first year of this three year project, and are on target to reach our milestones. In effect we have expanded this project to Ntchue district this year, with a continuation of training planned in Nkhotakota and Salima as of April 2016.

Scottish Partner	The Healthy Lifestyle Project
Malawian Organization	Female Education and Empowerment Centre
Project Title	Aiming Higher in Malawi Schools (2012-15)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Promotion of Girls in Secondary Schools, planning and delivery of teacher training in Physical Science, Biology, Mathematics, IT and English in Community Day Secondary Schools (boys and girls) . Location: Mulanje South West/Thyolo East. Development of inclusion strategies for disabled children to access education, health and sustainable economic development
Progress Update	The design and delivery phase of the teacher training was highly successful. There was excellent partnership working between educationalist from Malawi and Scotland. Exam performance in the critical subject areas has improved and more girls completing 2 or 4 years of Secondary Education. The biggest limiting factor is the lack of text books in these critical subject areas. This was unforeseen and was the major limiting factor

Scottish Partner	The James Hutton Institute
Malawian Organization	Kusamala Institute of Agriculture and Ecology
Project Title	Climate Smart Agriculture for rural smallholders in Malawi
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Implemented in Dowa district, TAs Dzoole, Kayembe and Mponela, this 3-year project provides training and support for the implementation of climate smart agriculture at community, district and at national level in Malawi; improving the economic and environmental sustainability of agriculture and increasing farmer's resilience to climate change impacts. Kusamala's approach to CSA is permaculture and agroecology. Combining a strong focus on monitoring and evaluation utilizing film, GIS, and community storytelling as well as increased collaboration among relevant stakeholders, this project works at multiple levels. Through community extension workers, farmers clubs and networks, community mapping and demonstrations, Kusamala supports the adoption and expansion of climate smart agricultural practices in 100 communities, working directly with 1,500 farmers and indirectly benefiting more than 7,500 individuals. Additionally, this project provides a platform for increased collaboration between government, civil society and communities working in agriculture and climate smart practices.
Progress Update	The project has successfully trained 1500 farmers of whom 65% are women. So far there are 300 staple fields that have been grown applying the following techniques: mulching, crop diversification, manure application, agroforestry, swale making and permanent beds on contour. There are over 250 home gardens as well as dimba gardens that are being grown using CSA techniques. 2000 bananas were distributed and planted behind bathing shelters as a way of

	utilizing grey water. I within a space of less than 9 months, some farmers begun harvesting bananas for consumption and some for sell. In order to spread these messages, the project has managed to organize 3 farmer field days in which farmers teach each other the benefits of CSA and this has spurred adoption in other non-targeted communities and has cemented the adoption in other targeted communities. There has been over 30 participatory video and most significant change workshops through which farmers has told their stories from baseline to evaluation. A video report of the project has also been produced by the CSA team. There are several maps that have been produced to capture the work that has been done in the community. The project has also successfully managed to establish the Dowa CSO network.
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Scottish Partner	University of Dundee
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Introduction of PROMPT course (Practical Obstetric Multi Professional training) to Malawi (2012-15)

Scottish Partner	University of Edinburgh
Malawian Organization	College of Medicine and Kamuzu College of Nursing, UNIMA
Project Title	Transforming the education and training of clinical professionals delivering maternal and child healthcare in Malawi (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The Project supports staff at COM and KCN to introduce the use of technology in teaching a number of Masters level courses all of which train those doctors, nurses and clinical officers involved at a senior level in delivering maternal and child healthcare. To date we have provided Virtual Learning Environments for eight different courses which provide students with 24/365 access to high-quality digital learning resources, and course information. We have introduced College-wide e-assessment system to deliver electronic exams and carried out numerous staff development workshops in modern teaching and assessment methods and digital resource creation. The IT systems are now hosted, supported and further developed by local IT staff we have trained and most of the pedagogical training is now delivered locally by staff we have trained. At the moment we are gathering extensive data about student and staff usage of the technology platforms (VLE's).
Progress Update	The three-year Project is now reaching the end of its final year. All of the objectives and deliverables have already been achieved or will be by April 2016. There is significant evidence that both academic and IT staff at COM and KCN are now equipped with the knowledge and skills to maintain and further develop the IT systems we have built together, most new learning resources are developed locally and are thus appropriate for the Malawian healthcare setting, and staff training events are organised.

Scottish Partner	University of Edinburgh, Global Health Academy
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	ICT to Improve Rural Maternal Health (2012-15)
Total Funding	

Scottish Partner	University of St Andrews
Malawian Organization	College of Medicine
Project Title	Enhancing Healthcare Training (2012-15)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	<p>This project built on an earlier project which helped the COM develop a new integrate undergraduate medical school curriculum and to support the development and expansion of human resource and ICT infrastructure. The Enhancing Healthcare Training project (2012-15) focused on extending curriculum review to the Allied health programmes and providing training in curriculum design, pedagogic practice, assessment and quality assurance procedures. In addition there was a major focus on IT capacity strengthening. The aim was to extent current IT and learning technology to support all UG degree programmes to the Lilongwe campus and to build in sustainability in the IT systems. There were three major groups of beneficiaries across the COM. 84 academic staff in the Faculty of Basic and Allied Health Sciences, 8 ICT staff involved in our training and developments and 1260 UG students as of the year 2014/15. There is one last visit to complete this project.</p>
Progress Update	<p>The final outcomes for the project include. Lilongwe campus has a 50 seater PC classroom; the Lilongwe campus has multimedia lecture presentation facilities; the curriculum management system developed as part of the programme has been adopted as the COM VLE for all UG programmes; 2 mobile video conference units improves communication between the 2 campuses; training and support in IT systems administration, developing skill and improving process and practices in the ICT staff. Academic staff now have the skills in curriculum design and evaluation a new BSc Hons Biomedical Science Honours degree for 20-25 students per year has been developed.</p>

Scottish Partner	University of Strathclyde
Malawian Organization	Water For People
Project Title	Impact on malaria, maternal health and the prognosis for AIDS by Quality Assurance Knowledge exchange and training (2015-18)
Project Detail	This project aims to improve the safety and efficacy of traditional herbal medicines by: The development of a Quality Assurance programme for Traditional Herbal Medicines. Training and education of Doctors and Pharmacists in Traditional Herbal Medicine. Knowledge exchange between Traditional Herbal Healers and Conventional Medical Professionals.
Progress Update	A member of staff from the College of Medicine undertook specialised training in pharmaceutical analysis techniques at the University of Strathclyde. The most appropriate herbal medicines were selected for the project: one to combat Malaria one to enhance labour and one to treat AIDS. A MSc. in Traditional Herbal Medicine curriculum development has started at the College of Medicine. University of Strathclyde staff provided training workshop at the College of Medicine in specialised techniques for analysis Traditional Herbal Medicines. A series of 3 Knowledge Exchange Workshops have been held, each with 10 Traditional Herbal Healers and 10 Conventional Medical professionals

Scottish Partner	University of Strathclyde
Malawian Organization	Water For People
Project Title	Sustainable Off-grid Electrification of Rural Villages (SOGERV) (2015-18)
Project Detail	The overarching aim of SOGERV is to meet the Sustainable Energy for All goal of increasing energy access in Malawi – where electricity access is currently only 9% overall, and 1% in rural areas. We are targeting 4 villages in Chikhwawa (Thendo, Kandeu, Gola, Mandarade) that currently lack access to electricity at homes, schools, health centres and businesses. This project will set up sustainable community energy suppliers to deploy appropriate RET including solar PV systems, solar lanterns, and efficient cook-stoves for target households, businesses, schools and health centres. Each community energy project will establish a sustainability agreement that is shared between district governance structures, communities, and entrepreneurs who operate the projects.
Progress Update	The first year of SOGERV has been aimed at preparation of the projects and has involved introduction of the project to the communities, completion of a baseline and needs assessment, development of the business models, and linking up with the district office. Currently we are underway with a market assessment, preparation for procurement, technical designing, and training activities at all levels: community through district. We have gained a much more detailed understanding of the composition of the communities through the initial stages. For learning on the implementation of this approach to community energy, it will need to wait until after installations begin (scheduled for April or May 2016) in the first two locations.

Scottish Partner	University of Strathclyde
Malawian Organization	Water For People
Project Title	Climate Change Adaptation: Long Term Groundwater Management
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The Climate Justice Fund Project: Long-Term Ground Water Resource Management in Chikhwawa District has impacted local to national scale policy and water resource management. Groundwater is the main source of water for the 90% of Malawi's rural community, and before this CJF project T.A Chapananga had very little water infrastructure and the implementation of this project not only brought water, sanitation and sustainable water management to communities through direct involvement, but also through village-to-village sharing and engagement with District Government, it self-replicated across Chapananga and groundwater management data was collected across all of the Chikhwawa District. The hands-on training in proper hydrogeological methods of drilling and borehole installation has provided for a more sustainable and useful groundwater resource use and management in the region.
Progress Update	The Project was completed in 2015, however we have an extension. Key impacts and outcomes are: 1. Reduced burden on women and girls to fetch water, 2. The flood impact assessment; through the project we were able to assess the flood impact on water points and latrines in Chikwawa, the results were shared to the Malawi National WASH Cluster and used to make informed decisions within a short period of time during the emergency response period.3. The Flood impact on the CJF funded projects; although cholera broke out after the floods mostly originating from Mozambique, all the CJF funded villages were not affected as the boreholes were constructed to international Hydrogeologic standards and the communities understood the importance of hygiene and practices like, washings hands at the four critical times and using of treated water (house hold chlorinated water during the floods – provided by CJF project)

Scottish Partner	University of Strathclyde
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Chancellor College Masters in Primary Education Project
Total Funding	

Scottish Partner	University of Strathclyde
Malawian Organization	Water For People
Project Title	Scotland Chikhwawa Health Initiative (SCHI) (2013-16)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Located in the Mfera area of Chikwawa District (East Bank), the project seeks to develop model communities (n = 18), in line with the Healthy Settings approach and integrate the principles into the associated schools (n = 3), markets (n = 2) and health facility (n = 1). The project uses various process of capacity building, community profiling, development and implementation of action plans which are supported by the SCHI team working in conjunction with the relevant district offices, extension workers and other NGOs in the area. The project has set up community structures within the decentralized system to improve leadership, governance, communication and inclusion with issues pertaining to the determinants of health. The evidence base from this project looks to support and provide sustainable methods to scale up, taking into consideration methods to improve health and barriers to success. This aims to achieve sustained and effective change in the community which can be replicated elsewhere.
Progress Update	2013 – 2016 funding round so due to be completed this year. Large focus has been on the development of improved governance and leadership in communities and government workers across the multidisciplinary areas to help support the programme implementation and sustainability. Focus current is on specific capacity building programmes to support the community generated needs, and completion of toolkits from lessons learned for dissemination and scale up at central level.

Scottish Partner	Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) Scotland
Malawian Organization	VSO Malawi
Project Title	Ntcheu Integrated Maternal Health Project (2012-15)
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The project's aim was to improve the skills of clinical staff, specifically midwives, to promote maternal services and to improve the knowledge and health-seeking behaviour of communities in two traditional Authorities of Ntcheu District. The project empowered communities to realise their right to health care. The project also increased the retention of qualified nurses and midwives, with two international nurse/midwife volunteers providing 'on-the-job' support to the Continuous Professional Development Facilitator and 25 nurse/midwives across 11 health facilities. Pregnant women's nutritional needs were addressed through education and promoting vegetable cultivation, for example piloting a vegetable garden and educating the community on cooking nutritious food from locally available sources.

Progress Update	The project has now completed and achieved significant positive outcomes in promoting health seeking behaviour and improving knowledge on Maternal and neonatal health amongst the targeted communities which resulted in a marked reduction in maternal and infant mortality. Based on the final evaluation report, a number of achievements were made in areas such ; increased patronisation of ante natal clinic visits, strengthened networking, and social support through the establishment of 80 self sustainable safe motherhood taskforce,improved continuous professional skills development of nurse-midwives and an increase in the percentage of women using family planning methods.
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Scottish Partner	Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) Scotland
Malawian Organization	VSO Malawi
Project Title	Water Futures: Towards Equitable Resource Strategies
Total Funding	
Project Detail	The projects aim was to link local government, civil society and community to enable equitable climate proof integrated water management in Malawi. It did this through building climate change capacity through long-term support and mentoring of staff in government and civil society organisations at national and district level. Volunteer Climate Change Co-ordinators worked with Planning Departments to improve the quality of local district planning processes and their responsiveness to input from communities. It also strengthening climate change advocacy by civil society organisations. The project trained and supported Village natural resource management committees to map water resource issues, plan adaptation activities and input to District planners.The work was focussed on four of the Districts identified as at most risk; Chikhwawa, Karonga, Nsanje and Salima
Progress Update	The project developed participatory scenario planning methodologies for climate change adaptation for local communities, district councils and all stakeholders in the 4 districts. VSO Volunteers and our local partners reached out to 8,202 community members to develop appropriate climate adaptation plans for managing water resources. Community members have realised the importance of managing watersheds and river banks to control flooding, for example; constructing dykes by planting trees along the river banks, and in Salima community members constructed a river dyke across the Rifuzi River which has redirected the river course to its original course.Communities are increasingly realising the effects of harmful chemicals on climate change and are now using biological means of controlling pests and diseases in their gardens, for example through planting more Neem trees. The project has helped community members to increase household income.

Scottish Partner	Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) Scotland
Malawian Organization	VSO Malawi
Project Title	More Action for Just Initiatives for Climate Change Adaptation in Southern Africa
Total Funding	
Project Detail	Recognising the importance of climate change mitigation / adaptation for vulnerable groups, VSO has developed the MAJI Project focussing on three district councils in 3 vulnerable districts; Salima, Karonga, and Dowa - to develop inclusive and participatory Integrated Water Resource Plans with government, civil society and communities, to reduce their vulnerability. The project builds on the experience gained in the Waters project.
Progress Update	The project has been running for 18 months and its objective is to enhancing capacity of communities through the Village Natural Resource Management Committees and the District Planners in Malawi to work in partnership to identify plan for and address the impact of climate change. The approach adopts an Ecosystems services approach and Scenario planning techniques which the local committees are able to emulate and implement. Communities, government and civil society have started developing and implementing plans that are equitable, resilient to climate change practically implementable, and compatible with IWRM. The project is ultimately aims to reduce the vulnerability of the rural poor to climate change impacts and increase their resilience to future changes.

Scottish Partner	Voluntary Service Overseas (VSO) Scotland
Malawian Organization	VSO Malawi
Project Title	Unlocking talent through technology: improving learning outcomes of primary school children in Malawi
Total Funding	
Project Detail	VSO has partnered with onebillion to address the challenges confronting primary education in Malawi using mobile tablet technology in the classroom that improves learners' numeracy and literacy skills, improves teachers' learner centred pedagogical skills, and encourages community involvement in children's learning. These tablets will additionally enable Malawian teachers and students to share knowledge and best teaching practices with a linked primary school in Scotland. The project will be implemented in 10 primary schools working with the Teacher Training College in Malawi's Kasungu District. Learners will obtain access to the tablets at scheduled intervals to improve their learning outcomes; pre-service and in-service training will be undertaken with teachers to build their skills / knowledge in using mobile tablet technology and school leadership will be trained to integrate mobile technology into their schools. The solar-powered tablet classrooms will be supervised by teachers and availed to 3,741 Standard 1 and 2 learners.

Progress Update	The project has made good progress in year one. Assessment of ten target schools in Kasungu has been conducted where school data such as demographic was collected. The first 2 schools to start the project were identified i.e. Kasungu Demonstration and Kamuzu LEA primary schools; and assessment refurbishment requirements was conducted by Natures Gift Limited(the contractor).Seventy iPads, headphones and cases for the two schools have been procured. Onebillion has uploaded the software in the iPads.One of the main challenges has been the rooms (which were earmarked for the project), being used by the school for other purposes. This lead to the need to re identify suitable spaces.
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Scottish Partner	Yorkhill Children's Charity
Malawian Organization	
Project Title	Improving Eye Health and Reducing Unnecessary Blindness in Malawi (2015-18)
Total Funding	