

SOCIAL PROTECTION PROGRAMMES IN MALAWI

Social protection programmes in Malawi ensure that those most in need get the essential assistance they require.



Government of **Malawi**



Overview

50%

of Malawians live below the poverty line

25%

can't meet their daily food needs



Social protection programmes help the most vulnerable,

including the elderly, ultra-poor, disabled, and children

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Key social protection programmes help families become more resilient

with the goal of building human capital; and graduate them out of ultra-poverty

SCTP

The **Social Cash Transfer Programme** provides regular cash transfers to those most in need.



Assists **ultra-poor Malawians** and those **unable to work** to meet their basic needs



Highly vulnerable households can **increase crop production, acquire livestock**, and send their children to school

308,800

households and 1,329,365 people served nationwide as of June 2021

Public Works

The Climate Smart Enhanced **Public Works Programme (CS-EPWP)** pays people to help with community catchments based projects, like afforestation, soil and land conservation.



Helps **poor people** who are **able to work** to earn cash to meet household needs



Increased earnings help households **increase crop production, acquire productive assets, and better withstand shocks and crises**

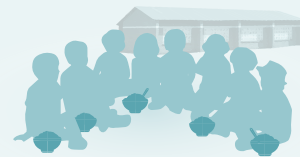


435,000

households served and over 1,914,000 people

School Feeding

The **School Meals Programme** provides **free daily meals to learners in primary schools.**



Feeds children attending any school enrolled in the programme

More learners attend school regularly and complete primary school when free meals are available



2,777,588

learners accessing meals in schools nationwide

Savings and Lending

The **Village Savings and Lending Programme** helps **community members save and borrow** small amounts of money.



Helps **poor community members** who are often involved in other social protection programs



400%
Savings increase on average by 400% for group members, who also engage in small business



Over 500,000

involved in VSLA nationwide under the CS-EPWP and SCTP

Microfinance

The **Microfinance Programme** helps small **entrepreneurs open microbusinesses**, like small kiosks or raising livestock.



Assists **poor yet capable community members** who can manage micro-businesses

Microfinance **improves the lives of small-scale entrepreneurs** and contributes to the **local economy**

Over 600,000 clients reached

