

Yamba Malawi uplifts vulnerable children by building businesses and by enabling investment in children's care.

In Malawi, "yamba" means "begin," and this is our focus: brighter beginnings for Malawi's children, and lasting change for their communities.

Founded in 2006, Yamba Malawi envisions a world where strong, self-reliant communities build brighter futures for children. Through holistic livelihood interventions centered on sustainable and scalable businesses, financial management, and coaching on childhood wellbeing, Yamba Malawi helps children and their communities move out of extreme poverty into livelihoods that empower them to improve food security, health, education, and their environments. Each year, Yamba Malawi's livelihoods program touches the lives of over 100,000 children through 5 community-level poultry businesses, 150 household-level soya and groundnut farms, and 50 household-level bee farms, all of which have been paired with critical, holistic services for children and their caregivers. These sustainable interventions reduce childhood vulnerability in both direct and indirect ways, including the distribution of food to over 20,000 children annually, the creation of 235 jobs, the planting of over 50,000 trees, educational support for over 25,000 students each year, and the improvement of water sources for over 1,800 community members.

Yamba Malawi has ambitious plans for broader growth over the next three years. By the end of 2018, Yamba Malawi will launch an additional two community-level honey businesses, 150 household-level soya and groundnut farms, and 50 household-level bee farms.

Yamba Malawi is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with offices in Lilongwe, Malawi and Brooklyn, New York.

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