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PROFILE



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ABOUT US

Shaping Our Future Foundation (SOFF) is a nonprofit organization whose aim is to promote the holistic development of the village girl and street child. The Foundation is working with Government partners, International and local NGOs, community structures, women and girls and individuals who share the vision of an inclusive and prosperous Malawi.

OUR VISION

SOFF's mission of promoting the holistic development of the village girl and street child aims at ensuring that every street child has a healthy, safe and moral start in life and that every village child has an opportunity to quality education and successful passage to adulthood.

OUR GOAL

Serving as a tool for encouraging and keeping girls (including boys) in school and promoting the well-being of a whole-street child. Our main goal is ***to increase the enrollment, retention and completion of secondary school education of 5,000 village girls by 31st December, 2026***

OUR PILLARS

SOFF's main goal is supported by these intertwined pillars;

- Keeping Girls in School
- Supporting the needs of street kids
- Women's Economic Empowerment
- Sexual Reproductive Health
- Climate SMART Agriculture

OUR VALUES

- Compassion
- Partnership
- Integrity
- Impact
- Dignity

OUR SCOPE OF WORK

SOFF coordinates activities in improving girls' education, women's economic empowerment and sexual and reproductive health, including but not limited to:

- Working with partners and traditional leaders to address Gender norms, harmful cultural and social norms
- Facilitating the sharing and flow of information among key players in education sector in Malawi
- Addressing the barriers to education, focusing at material needs, structural barriers and socio-cultural constraints.
- Empowering women in income generation skills and strengthening their capacity to support girls in school and sustain their families.
- Creating and supporting women and community structures for interventions in girl's education, positive social norms, VAWG and GBV

KEY SUCCESSES

In our one year of operation we have;

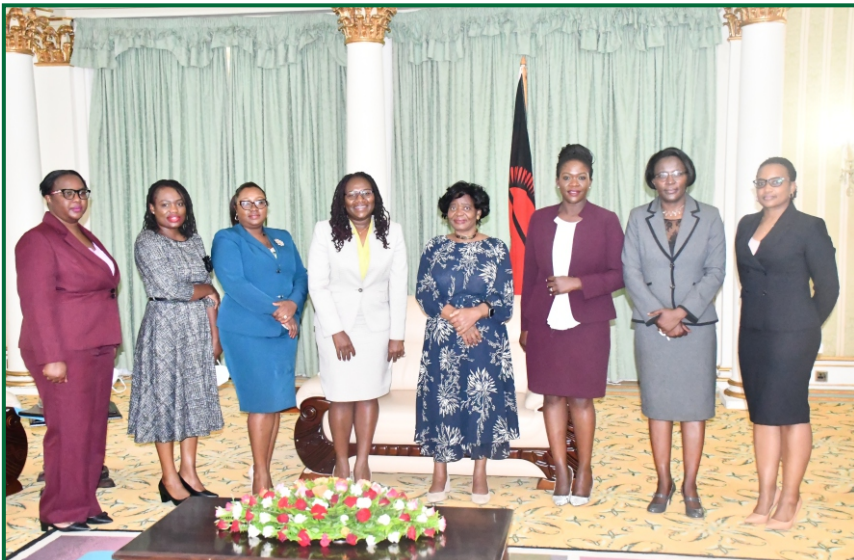
Awarded 312 scholarships to needy secondary school going girls and boys across Malawi.



Established a reading programme in schools in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and the Merck Foundation



Launched a one on one mentorship programme targeting girls in rural secondary schools with the aim of providing guidance and a platform of exposure to information and opportunities in partnership with NBS Bank, Eris Properties, NICO Life Insurance, NICO General Insurance



Established a Girls Education Programming Think Tank comprising of Oxfam, CRECCOM, Girls Education Trust, Plan Malawi, UNICEF, Ipas, TEVETA, Save the Children, Yamba Malawi, Chancellor College, Transform Education, Malawi Girl Guides Association for purposes of advancing girls' education in Malawi and the vision of Her Excellency Madame Monica Chakwera through Shaping Our Future Foundation



Distributed 4,306 menstrual kits to girls along with provision of menstrual health and hygiene education in partnership with Days for Girls International, Plan International and UNFPA



Published a children's booklet based on the life story of the First Lady in collaboration with Plan International Malawi



Empowered a group of women through provision business training and a maize mill for their business in partnership with the Embassy of Ireland in Malawi and Premier Bet Company Limited



OUR PARTNERS

1. Merck Foundation
2. NBS Bank
3. Eris Properties
4. NICO Life Insurance
5. NICO General Insurance
6. Oxfam, CRECCOM,
7. Girls Education Trust,
8. Plan Malawi, UNICEF,
9. Ipas,
10. TEVETA,
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12. Yamba Malawi,
13. University of Malawi - Chancellor College,
14. Transform Education,
15. Malawi Girl Guides Association
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17. Premier Bet
18. Embassy of Ireland





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