Help Malawi. Farmers First. Building Independence.

Inducement

After 12 years of successful work in Malawi, we are now facing a historic breakthrough. Our 7,000 farmers now produce food for 100,000 people every day. With your support, the same farmers can scale up to food production for 1 million people per day and thus also build their own economic existence. We have designed a new project for this new phase. **Help Malawi. Farmers First**.

Objective and results

With the now 7,000 farmers participating in Food For Life, we want to scale up the current acreage of maize from 1,000 acre to 7,000 acre. Own independent income for 7,000 farmers in Malawi. No more hunger for all these people. Children can go to school with a good breakfast. There is money to go to the doctor. The elderly no longer die of hunger. Girls are becoming more independent and no longer have to fear being married off against their own will. Farmers generate income and make them economically independent. Churches receive income again so that their work can continue and develop.

Execution

See organisation chart in the annex

Planning and duration

Preparations are already being made on a regular basis. Planning must be done around the turn of the year. The seeds must be purchased in December. In the next two years, we want to scale up step by step from 1 field of 700 m2 to 2,100 m2 to 4,900 m2. From 1 field to 1 acre.

Marketing and communication

Word of mouth. There are thousands in line, but our board has decided to cap the number at 7,000 participants.

Finance

We now receive approximately 500,000 euros annually. We can absorb the first payments with that plus that in Malawi they can now sell the bags of corn received back and use that money to provide 7,000 with the funds for 1/7 part of an acre. Then we move on to **Help Malawi. Farmers First.**

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Currently, thousands of farmers have learned how to grow their maize organically and sustainably without the use of artificial fertilizer with the starting system Food For Life. Of their yield that is 7x higher than their own system, they have to pay 10% because we teach them our system in advance and have provided them with the seeds and fertilizers. They now work on 1/7 of an acre. They themselves have 1 acre. That is 7 times as much. The goal in 2027 is 7,000 farmers who all grow 1 acre of maize with our system. Food For Life. Never a failed harvest. Never no hunger. A proven system. Some participants have already started and gained experience with this professionalization on a full acre.

Target audience

All farmers in Malawi can participate. We have been working on this project for 15 years. The organization is solid with local people and is professional to manage the entire organization. The system is built from the bottom up of 7 groups working together. Leaders of groups work together and eventually form committees that carry out the day-to-day management. Nationally, we have 10 well-equipped directors. They work unpaid and only receive expense allowance

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