



## Community and Project Updates

As we reflect on November, Kawjo is proud of the meaningful work we have done to create sustainable change for vulnerable communities across Malawi. Over the past several weeks, our team and partners have collaborated to execute our vision, advance ongoing projects, and position ourselves for success in the months ahead.

The achievements we have reached in November demonstrate what is possible through collaboration and commitment from our stakeholders and surrounding communities. From important project milestones to on-the-ground initiatives, we thrive on the power of local engagement and inclusive partnerships that drive sustainable change.

We encourage you to explore the latest updates on our current projects and invite you to get involved and support us in expanding our efforts to transform more lives around Malawi.

## A Message from our Resource Mobilization Officer



Graduating with credit from LUANAR was a proud milestone and a shared victory for everyone who supported me along the way. My journey was more than academics; it was a season of leadership, mobilizing resources for fellow students, mentoring and inspiring others, and strengthening my capacity to serve with excellence. As I begin this new chapter, I am excited to channel my education, passion, and leadership experience into the work of Kawjo. With a commitment to "refuse comfort," as encouraged by Vice-Chancellor Prof. E. Kaunda in his speech, and I am always inspired by this quote "if it comes to your lot as a street sweeper, set out to do a good job and do that job so well that the living, the dead, and the unborn couldn't do it any better" – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s call to do every task with unmatched excellence, I am dedicated to using my skills to advance Kawjo's vision, mobilise resources and strengthen partnerships, and help transform the lives of vulnerable communities. – **Yamikani Muha**

## Project Updates

### Green-Profish Project: Nkhatabay District

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- ☒ Conducted a three-day workshop with all 30 participants in Sanga Beach on sustainable briquette making and improved kiln maintenance.
- ☒ Oversaw and completed pond construction in Nkhata Bay area
- ☒ Used the sustainable briquettes in our new kilns to test smoke levels, heat temperature and smoke time.
- ☒ Communicated with the participants about best practices and challenges they faced throughout the workshop.

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Final Smoking Kiln Product



Briquette Fabrication



Pond Construction

### Sustainable Aquatic Food (SAF) Kasungu District

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- ☒ Completes Fish Farming Verification Exercises across multiple GVHs in Galika, Mfera, Thabzani, and Chaima.
- ☒ Able to summarize achievements, challenges and recommended solutions for farmers, such as pond maintenance, harvesting, pond drying and fencing issues and practices.
- ☒ Finished coaching on monitoring practices and began follow-ups for new fish farmers in Galika and Mfera
- ☒ Documentation and Reporting of Activities across all GVHs.

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Participants During Fish Farming Training.



Pond Construction.



Participants

### Sustainable Aquatic Food (SAF) Dowa District

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- ☒ Completed five total coaching sessions with new fish farmers, providing technical support and reinforcing best practices.
- ☒ Documented Farmers' achievements, challenges and solutions in Mbalame, Changa, Jolijo, Chipafi and Magantha.
- ☒ Collected fish production data from farmers to help us assess harvests, pond conditions, fish growth and management practices.
- ☒ Recording Activity regarding the gender. People of all ages and people with disability who all participated in each training session

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All Participants



Participants during Training



Pond Under Construction

## Check out our updates from this month



[Green-Profish Project: Advancing Sustainable Fish Processing Using Improved Smoking Kilns.](#)

This month, our Executive Director, Communications Officer and Project Officer had the opportunity to conduct sustainable briquette fabrication and kiln maintenance training in Sanga Beach, Nkhata Bay district. Our team worked with the community and [Go Green](#) to train 30 participants on how to properly use the new smoking kilns installed in their community to sustainably smoke fish with briquettes, a sustainable alternative to firewood. Learn more about this process by checking out our blog on our website.



[16 Days of Activism Against Digital Gender Based Violence](#)

At the end of this month, we began the 16 Days of Activism Against Digital Gender-Based Violence. We support this movement through our commitment to empowering women and youth, raising awareness on gender-based violence, and providing support to survivors. By promoting education, vocational skills, and inclusive community engagement, we help reduce vulnerabilities that contribute to both offline and online forms of violence. At Kawjo, we strive to continue creating safer, more equitable digital and physical spaces for all women and girls.

## Community Impact

In November, we continued supporting our community members in gaining employable skills through our development initiatives.

Malawi, with a population of over 21 million people, faces significant economic challenges—70% of citizens live in extreme poverty, earning less than \$1.99 a day. Most communities rely on agriculture and aquaculture for their livelihoods, yet small-scale farmers continue to face low productivity, climate shocks, and structural barriers.

The Kawjo Foundation is committed to addressing these long-term challenges by providing development skills and sustainable opportunities that ease pressure on an agriculture-dependent economy and strengthen the resilience of vulnerable communities across Malawi.



As we celebrate the accomplishments our team has made during November, we continue to look ahead and work to advance our ongoing projects, preparing for future opportunities and partnerships that will strengthen sustainable development practices across Malawi. We encourage you to stay connected, get involved and continue supporting Kawjo's efforts to transform lives and create meaningful change.

For more information, follow our social pages or get in touch with our team. Click [here](#) to subscribe to our monthly newsletter and community updates.

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