

UPDATE ON ZOMBA KIDZ PROJECT

There have been many exciting developments in Zomba over the past few months, and as we draw near the end of our Centennial Year, it is time for an update.

A Partnership Agreement was signed with Chancellor College in August 2006 – together we will deliver the Zomba Kidz Project to the children of the Village of Magalasi.

Saanich has sponsored a school feeding program which provides a meal a day for the children, and 100% of their daily nutritional needs. In addition, we funded the purchase of corn seed last December which was harvested in June, ground into maize. This maize will provide three months' worth of nutrition for the school feeding program, and is the beginning of a sustainable food source.

Khama went back to Malawi for three months in May and brought back some architectural drawings for a proposed building. After some deliberation, we supported this more ambitious building for a number of reasons: it will last much longer, need less maintenance, and provide better weather-proofing.

Lois Silo, the project coordinator, selected a respected local builder who is now under contract. Construction is now underway, and is anticipated to be completed in early January 2007. The work is all being done by manual labour.



We were able to raise a total of \$40,738 for Zomba Kidz. The funding is allowing us to pay for an enhanced building and a new well, along with our original objectives including the school feeding program, teacher salaries, farming activities, teacher training, resources for the community centre, and project monitoring equipment (computer, digital camera). Congratulations Saanich for this considerable achievement!

Current Shelter



Start of New Building

