

Simpson Foundation Malawi

“Save and Grow”



About Us

Simpson Foundation is a locally registered Non-Governmental Organisation compelled to bring transformation and bring poor small holder farmers together to fight poverty. It was incorporated in 2013

Our Vision

To enhance resilient and adaptive communities

Our Mission

Create an environment that will enable communities to be resilient, adaptive to climate change shocks through the provision of knowledge and expertise.

Our Objectives



1. Demonstrate research and development of modern techniques of sustainable agriculture, with the application of all forms of the best practices in climate smart agriculture to increase social, economic and environmental impacts

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1. Strengthen collaboration and strategic partnerships with various institutions of research on the application of best practices to prevent negative climate change impacts
2. Support sustainable agriculture and nature platforms that will empower smallholder farmers to be more resilient to attain food security and conservation of nature.



Our Focus Areas

1. Sustainable Agriculture
2. Health and Well-being
3. Equity and Justice
4. Environmental and Natural Resources Management



Achievements

1. Increased crop productivity in smallholder farmers
2. Evidence based research programs in Smart Climate Agriculture
3. Linking smallholder farmers to structured markets
4. Advocating for Nature based solution through value addition in natural fruits

Working with Rural communities and other stakeholders the Foundation has:

1. Realised that the earth has healing powers if not disturbed
2. Understood that nature based solutions are powerful tools in combating climate change crisis
3. Realised that it is very possible to benefit from nature economically
4. Understood that issues concerning natural based solutions are under-represented in national development plans
5. Act now to save mother nature

Important Facts of the Program

- ✓ Our natural fruit juice is a forest product derived forest protection, conservation and stewardship in collaboration with village forest committees
- ✓ Our actions offers a feasible and cost effective option to enhance forest regeneration, reverse land degradation and restoration of biodiversity to enhance climate change adaption.
- ✓ Our aim to increase community participation and engagement in forest protection which is enhancing restoration of degraded lands and existing ecosystems thereby absorbing carbon dioxide generated from other sectors of the economy to enhance climate change adaption.

- ✓ We believe the increased actions to conserve forest and restore biodiversity will reduce emission of green house gases as the rate of deforestation and loss of grassland is reduced thereby contributing towards climate change adaptation.
- ✓ In addition, forest conservation and protection actions, result in increasing soil organic carbon which improves nutrient and water intake by plants to increase yields and resource efficiency of land , nutrients and water retention, thereby making the system more resilient to climate change.
- ✓ Therefore, efforts to conserve and protect forests will increase watershed management of water resources of rivers and streams, through increased infiltration, water holding capacity, increased moisture regime, reduced soil erosion and degradation

Constraints of the Program

- ✓ The Natural Resources Management Policy clearly identifies a reduced role in implementation for the national and local government. Policy legislation enforcement and monitoring is main government functions. However, capacity within the government department is lacking.
- ✓ Resources are also scarce as the program is not well represented in the national development plan and that not many development partners are coming forward to provide the necessary resources for replication.

- ✓ Though there are other players in the nature conservation management, it's uniqueness is not there as all of them are doing the same thing, and rural communities are becoming frustrated since they are not seeing any different from other programs. Therefore Simpson Foundation is bringing in the different approach.
- ✓ Technical expertise amongst the implementing agencies is not there.

Program Outputs

- ✓ Contribution to the development of simple, low cost, replicable Joint Forest Management (JFM) systems.
- ✓ Socio-economic, marketing, vegetation and biodiversity surveys undertaken in the pilot areas to underpin management plans and establish indicators for impact monitoring.

- ✓ Joint Forest Management Plans for each pilot area submitted for approval, and village institutions capable of implementing the plans. This would include fulfilling legal requirements and managing benefits in a socially sustainable way.
- ✓ Support activities aimed at better forest management inside the targeted forest areas and improved forest resources outside the targeted forest areas.

Take part in saving the environment

Remember

*“The **EARTH** can survive without **MAN** but
MAN cannot survive without the **EARTH**”*

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