# MAKINDU VOCATIONAL PROGRAM (MVP) 2022 Annual Report

**Mission Statement:** Empower youth and build sustainable community through quality vocational training.

Executive Director: Jan Johnson

Board Members: Sandy Bonds, Maggie Chase, Jim Cooper, Bev Forster, Marty

Johnson, Barbara McKie, Bruce Robbins.

## Accomplishments in 2022:

- \* 87 graduated from this 2 year program and 100 % of the students passed the state certification exams.
- \* A multipurpose building was constructed. This will provide a large space for student and community gatherings. It has portable partitions to allow for flexibility in classroom use. It also has offices for the 2 head teachers.
- \*27 girls were sponsored by our generous donors. This means their education, room and board, uniforms and some basic hygiene needs were provided. These are young people living in extreme poverty who could not otherwise afford an education
- \*Teaching assistants have been added as enrollment has increased to 188.
- \*A metal fence was lengthened for extra security
- \*Improvements were made in the septic system
- \*The metal building that is used for classes, parent meetings and weekend hair dressing and sewing projects for the community was extended
- \*Equipment and supplies were purchased for both programs
- \*Gutters were added to buildings. Tables were purchased for classrooms
- \*A water tank was installed
- \*Additional money was sent for food because of the increase in prices due to the famine
- \*A floor in one of buildings that had been poorly constructed was replaced
- \*Additional sponsorships were provided for several students who could not complete their studies due to the famine and loss of family income
- \*Partial cost of graduation expenses were paid
- \*Christmas bonuses were provided for the staff

**Financials:** The Makindu Vocational Program staff consists of all volunteers.

Raised - \$79,083 Sent to MATC - \$70,267 Expenses - \$1,022

### Looking ahead to 2023:

- \*Board member Sandy Bonds will visit MATC with her husband Joseph Gilig. They will take many supplies for the school and a computer for the director. She will share her expertise in costume design and sewing with the students and teachers
- \*Executive Director, Jan Johnson and board members Jim Cooper and Marty Johnson will go to Kenya to collaborate with the MATC board as well as meet with the students and staff
- \*Electric motors will be added to all manual sewing machines
- \*Additional solar panels will be installed because of the frequent power outages
- \*More computers will be provided to help make all students computer literate
- \*Iron sheet metal fencing will be completed for security and to prevent distractions
- \*Professional development funds for teachers will be provided
- \*MATC students will receive training on business management skills
- \*Start up kits will be supplied for some students who will be starting their own business

## Gold Donors (donated \$100 or more):

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