



Future Projects



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*The Orbus Mission Primary and Secondary Schools*



The central image is an aerial photograph of a school campus. It features several buildings with white and grey roofs, surrounded by green lawns and scattered trees. A dirt path winds through the campus. In the top left corner, there is a small inset with the text "Future Projects" and a globe icon, followed by the "orbus" logo which consists of three stylized figures. In the top right corner, there is a group photo of young children in school uniforms. In the bottom right corner, there is another group photo of a larger group of children in uniforms. The text "The Orbus Mission Primary and Secondary Schools" is written in a cursive font across the bottom of the aerial photo.



# The Orbus Centre

Ngumbe, Malawi, Central Africa



**Existing Strong Foundation:** First started as a community orphan care ministry in Malawi in 2007 Orbus has since established an income producing, self-sustainable project on a 20-acre property at Ngumbe, Malawi which, in partnership with the *Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP) – Blantyre Synod*, is educating over 600 students and employs 38 local teachers and staff.

Rapid growth in student numbers has led to the need for more facilities and resources. As of 2021 no regular funds were required from Australia to support the day to day operating costs of the schools. This now enables Australian donors to focus on these new facilities, improved resources and new programs at the schools as well as planning for future projects.

With the existing 20-acre Orbus property at Ngumbe, a readily available source of water, good staff and local labour supply, good local contacts and partnerships, and established good governance, Orbus Australia's future enterprise and job creating program in Malawi is ready for launch in 2023/24. Orbus are now seeking grants to facilitate this expansion.



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# *Orbus Future Projects 2023 and Beyond:* Employment Generating Enterprises and Projects in Malawi



## *Future enterprise projects in Malawi:*

*Having completed their schooling at Orbus many of the students are faced with limited employment opportunities. Orbus Australia would like to try to develop enterprises in Malawi to create jobs. It is hoped the Enterprises will generate profits which can then be used to sustain new ministry and community development projects.*

### *Suggested Possible Enterprises:*

- Establish the Orbus Trades and I.T. Skills Centre.
- Establish an income generating eco-tourism project.
- Distribute and install solar panels and batteries.
- Make and distribute fuel-efficient stoves.
- Establish a University (new or a campus of an existing university at Ngumbe).

### *Suggested Possible Projects to be Funded by Enterprise Profits and/or Donations:*

- Large-scale tree nursery and planting.
- Establish new, and maintain old, clean water wells with pumps.
- Build small homes for orphan or grandmother led families.



Background:  
**The Orbus Centre**  
Daniel Village, Ngumbe, Malawi



As of 2022 there are 632 students; 38 teachers and staff; 153 Boarding students. 98 orphans and vulnerable children (OVC).



- Nursery Class
- Primary School
- Secondary School
- Small-scale farm





Most recent project:

# Orbus Mission Secondary School

Opening ceremony 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017. 1<sup>st</sup> class started 25<sup>th</sup> September 2017.  
1<sup>st</sup> Secondary graduates September 2021.





Gradual growth from small beginnings in Malawi in 2007.



The 1<sup>st</sup> class to start at Orbus.  
Kindy (Nursery) class 2010.



Graduating Class of 2021. The 1<sup>st</sup> class to  
graduate from the Orbus Mission Secondary  
School.







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## Trees.

The Plan: Climate friendly project to grow (and buy) thousands of trees every year and plant them around Malawi. Helps the environment and employs locals.

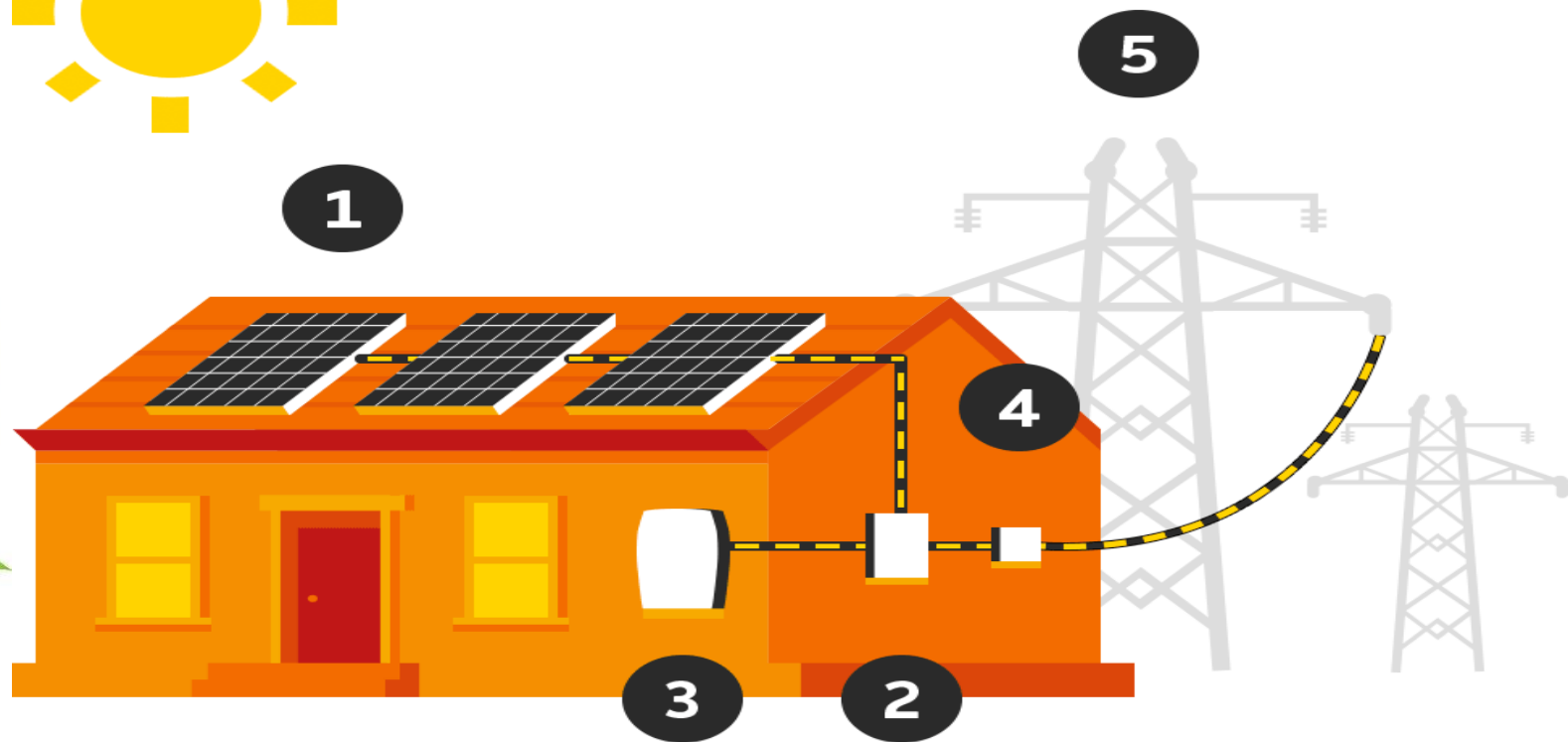




**Orbus Trades and I.T. Skills Centre** – The Plan: Provide training in trades at the Orbus Ngumbe site. Combined with enterprises such as solar panel and battery installation, repairs and sales. Helps the environment and provides further employment opportunities.







# Solar Panels

The Plan: Distribute and install solar panels to provide free clean energy in rural and needy areas.







Small Eco-tourism project:  
The Plan: Build a small tourist cabin/s in Malawi to generate income to fund ongoing community development projects.







## Stoves:

The Plan: Make and distribute climate friendly fuel-efficient stoves to dramatically reduce the burning of wood and clean up the air quality.







## Water.

The plan: Provide fresh drinking water in areas of need by digging wells and installing pumps and restoring old and broken pumps. Fresh water for villages for drinking and for planting trees.







## Houses for orphans.

The plan: Build small homes for child-headed and grandmother-headed families of orphans in their villages.





# How You Can Help:



Donations for the **Schools** and **Orbus Future Projects (OFP)** including wells/pumps, solar projects, tree planting, fuel-efficient stoves, building orphan homes, skills development centre and university are tax deductible in Australia as part of Orbus' commitment to providing relief and development in Malawi.

Donations are specifically now being sought for the **Orbus Future Projects**.

As a not-for-profit, volunteer run charity Orbus in Australia has historically had almost no administration costs. Since 2007 close to 100% of donations have been used directly for projects. No Australian management or volunteers have been paid or had their expenses paid from general donations made to Orbus. However, given the planned OFP expansion it may be that a paid worker will be required to help implement the new projects from 2023 or 2024. This ideally would be a separately funded worker through specifically raised funds through Orbus (tax-deductible).

If you are interested in supporting the **Schools, Future Projects** or a dedicated **Australian Worker** please specify on your donation.

**Tax-deductible donations can be made by Electronic Funds Transfer:**

**A/C Name:** Orbus Ministries Australia Inc

**Bank:** Bank of Melbourne/Westpac

**BSB:** 333 038

**Account No:** 553 913 774

**Ref:** (*FutureProjects/Schools/Worker*)



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Thank you.



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