

Together we will break the cycle of poverty.



ANNUAL REPORT 2025



Message from Marissa Coutinho Samaké, Board Member

Dear Board Members, Donors, and Supporters,

As we reflect on 2025, we are filled with gratitude for our donors, partners, and volunteers whose generosity made another year of transformational impact possible. Together, we expanded access to clean water, education, healthcare, and economic opportunity for communities throughout Mali.

EDUCATION

Empower Mali continued investing in educational opportunities that create long-term pathways out of poverty.

Middle School Construction

- Completion of Dioumatene Middle School

Construction advanced on a new middle school in Dioumatene, providing students with access to quality education closer to home. The project includes three classrooms, administrative offices, and sanitation facilities designed to support a safe and effective learning environment.

- Completion of Nioko Middle School

Construction began on a new middle school in Nioko to address severe classroom overcrowding and increasing student enrollment. Once completed, the school will significantly improve educational access for children in the surrounding communities.

- Completion of the Alexis DeJoria Middle School – N’Gana
- Empower Mali completed the Alexis DeJoria Middle School in N’Gana through the generous support of the Peace Love & Happiness Foundation. The school includes three classrooms, administrative offices, and sanitation facilities, creating a modern learning environment for hundreds of students.

- Inauguration of the Labata Middle School

With support from the B.H. Foundation, Empower Mali completed the Labata Middle School near the Guinea border. The project provides students with three classrooms, administrative offices, and improved educational resources that will benefit generations of children.

Dambe Kalanso Educational Institution

Construction continued on the Dambe Kalanso Educational Institution in Ouélessébougou. The campus expansion now includes 21 completed classrooms funded through partnerships with the Peace Love & Happiness Foundation and the Maxfield Foundation.

During 2025, work continued on the Administration Building, which will serve as the operational center of the institution and support future expansion. Dambe Kalanso is designed to become one of the premier educational institutions in rural Mali, providing students with opportunities that prepare them for higher education, leadership, and future careers.

Scholarships and Educational Opportunities

Empower Mali continued providing international educational opportunities for talented Malian students through:

Four-year scholarships to Wasatch Academy in Mount Pleasant, Utah

English language scholarships through Nomen Global in Provo, Utah

These programs help prepare future leaders who will contribute to the development of their communities and country.

Solar-Powered Water Systems

Access to clean water remains one of the most impactful investments Empower Mali makes in rural Mali. During 2025, generous support from the Stirling Foundation, Watkins Family, Ashton Family, Sorenson Legacy Foundation, Rocky Woods Charitable Foundation, Charles Lamar Family Foundation, Telemachus Foundation, and other donors enabled the expansion of clean water access to additional communities.

During 2025, completed water systems included:

Nassoulou

Yaguine Moro-moro

Tombon-Sebekoro

Logani

Logani Koko



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Musée des Soninkés (Dialakorodji)

Kabala

Ouelessebouyou

Several additional water systems were funded and remained under construction at year-end.

Each project includes a deep borehole, solar-powered pumping system, elevated storage tank, and multiple community distribution points managed by locally trained water committees.

HEALTHCARE

- Pediatric Surgery Program: Through our partnership with Dr. Bagayoko and the Clinique de Paix in Ouélessébougou, Empower Mali continued providing life-changing surgeries for vulnerable children. These procedures restored health, improved quality of life, and gave families renewed hope for the future.

- Haidara Foundation Endoscopy Initiative: Empower Mali acquired and delivered endoscopy equipment to support the Haidara Foundation's medical outreach efforts. This equipment will strengthen diagnostic capabilities and expand access to specialized healthcare services for patients throughout Mali.

- Medical Clinic Equipment Project: Empower Mali continued supporting the equipping of a newly constructed maternity clinic in Sikasso. The project includes hospital beds, furnishings, solar power systems, backup generators, and essential medical supplies to improve maternal and child healthcare services.

Community Infrastructure

Empower Mali continued investing in projects that improve the quality of life and strengthen communities through education, clean water, healthcare, and economic opportunity.

These projects were implemented in partnership with village leaders and local committees to ensure long-term sustainability and local ownership.

2025 HIGHLIGHTS

Completed or advanced four school construction projects serving rural communities across Mali

Continued expansion of the Dambe Kalanso Educational Institution, including 21 completed classrooms and ongoing construction of the Administration Building

Completed or funded 8 solar-powered water systems, bringing clean water to thousands of residents

Expanded access to healthcare through pediatric surgeries, medical equipment donations, and clinic support initiatives

Delivered endoscopy equipment to strengthen diagnostic and treatment capacity in Mali

Continued providing international educational opportunities through scholarships at Wasatch Academy, Nomen Global, and Fundación Paraguay

Advanced projects supporting food security, agricultural development, and economic opportunity

Raised nearly \$1 million in charitable contributions and project funding to support sustainable development initiatives throughout Mali

LOCAL OWNERSHIP

Every project completed in 2025 was implemented in partnership with local leaders, village committees, and community members. Empower Mali's model emphasizes local ownership, sustainability, and shared responsibility, ensuring that investments in education, clean water, healthcare, and economic development continue to benefit communities for generations to come.

By working side by side with the people of Mali, Empower Mali is helping to create stronger, healthier, and more self-reliant communities throughout the country.

With gratitude and hope,



Marissa Coutinho Samaké

Board Member

Empower Mali Foundation



2025 BY THE NUMBERS

TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES ACROSS MALI



FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM

Tractors Donated (7)

- San Town (2015)
- Garalo (2015)
- Beneko (2017)
- Bougouni Town Tractor #1 (2018)
- Bougouni Town Tractor #2 (2018)
- N'Tentou (2020)
- Sikasso Town (2020)

MOPTI FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

\$400,000 food distribution project serving approximately 2,800 conflict-displaced families (22,000–28,000 individuals) in the communities of Mopti, Socoura, and Begnemato over a 28-month period. (July 2020 – April 2024)

opportunities to Mali's youth and their communities.

EDUCATION

Schools Constructed (22)

- Ferekoroba Middle School (2014)
- Katele Middle School (2015)
- Falla II Middle School (2015)
- Dongorona Middle School (2015)
- Fanterela Middle School (2016)
- Marako Middle School (2017)
- Koumantou Banko Middle School (2018)
- Dovong Middle School (2019)
- Moro-Moro Middle School (2019)
- Ouelesseboungou School (2020)
- Zegoun Middle School (2020)
- Siemen Primary School (2021)
- Karagouan Primary School (2021)
- Pogosso Middle School (2022)
- Badalabougou Pre-School (2022)
- Sibiribougou Middle School (2022)

- Kankrougou Primary School (2022)
- Labata Middle School (2023)
- Michel Family School, Ouelesseboungou (2023)
- N'Gana Middle School (2024)
- Dioumatene Middle School (2025)
- Nioko Middle School (2025)

Economic Development Initiatives (3)

APP Chicken Farm Employment Initiative (2016-2018)

Agricultural Vocational Training Program and International Scholarship Initiative (2023)

Conference Center of the Agricultural Vocational School, Ouélessébougou (2016)

LEADERSHIP AND PEACEBUILDING

Partnership with Elite West Africa and UNICEF to sponsor the International Conference of Youth for Peace (2019)

CLEAN WATER

Solar-Powered Water Systems Installed (84) Serving more than 430,000 people throughout Mali. 80% of beneficiaries live below the poverty line.

These solar-powered water systems have been installed throughout Mali between 2018 and 2025, providing sustainable access to clean drinking water for hundreds of thousands of people.

2018-2019 (3 systems)

N'Godonina, Bougouni

Oueléssébougou City Marketplace

Kabalacoro, Baguineda

2020 (4 systems)

N'Tentou

Quartier Tripano, Dioila

Sanankoro Djitoumou

Siblen

Our Partnerships with Malians since 2013

2021 (13 systems)

Kontoumoun, Yanfolila
Madina
Hameau de Moro-Moro
Sangarebougou Guereboukin
Bandjougoubougou
Niena
Quartier Mali, Bamako
Badalabougou
Oueléssébougou School
Dioila II
Oueléssébougou City Soccer Field
Samanko, Kolondieba
Gouaranko, Fakola, Kolondieba

2022 (8 systems)

Manabougou, Fouladougou
Koulouba, Fouladougou
Sibleni II
Tiemba, Sanankoro Djitoumou
Dogotou, Sanankoro Djitoumou
Lecko
Bomboty
Bogoda Kassaro

2023 (19 systems)

Kokan, Koutiala
Kafigueba
Misseni
Sibleni III
Kapelegue
Pogosso
Pakasso
Zangosso
Zanpedougou
Ziangolodougou
Stade Malien
Ancar Dine De Yirimadio

Tiecourala
Abanko Tessalit
Sikasso town
Fanidiana
Dissan
Sikasso I
Sikasso II

2024 (24 systems)

Tenji Nene
Pouroli
Lycée Monseigneur Didier de Montclos
Nara I
Nara II
Kartani, Kita
Samakoulou, Kita
Kati-Dio
Niamakoro (AGEMPEM)
Keleya
Tiongui
Gouan
Noumouso, Misseni
Sieme
Ancars, Misseni
Dovong
Madina
Mamoure
Ouelessébougou Bamanankin
Zelani
N'Galamado
Sassela
Catholic Pilgrimage Site
Dambe Kalanso Educational Institution

2025 (13 systems)

Nassoulou
Yaguine
Tombon



Our Partnerships with Malians since 2013

Logani
Logani Koko
Ouelessébougou
Kabala
Musée des Soninkés, Dialakorodji
Faraba, Kolondieba
Tiogole, Tiongui Commune, Kolondieba
Nohi (Syentoula)
Sanakoroba
Sinkoro Koura

Water Infrastructure Projects (2)

Water Purification System, Dongorona (2015)
Well Drilling Rig (2021)
Well Drilling Rig (2025)

LOOKING AHEAD

Empower Mali remains committed to expanding access to quality education, clean water, healthcare, food security, and economic opportunity throughout Mali. Since our beginning in 2013, we continue working alongside communities to create sustainable solutions that empower local leadership and improve lives for generations to come.

Together, we are building stronger communities, creating opportunities, and transforming lives across Mali.



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MISSION



Empower Mali believes that the citizens and communities of Mali have the right to become self-reliant.

The focus of the foundation is not to give a handout to these communities, but rather to work side by side empowering these communities to meet their own needs by sharing with them the resources and tools to get it done.

We commit our resources and efforts to affect change in the areas of:

- **Education:** Empower Mali supports education in Mali by building and renovating schools, providing school supplies and materials, and funding teacher salaries. The foundation also offers scholarships to students who otherwise wouldn't have access to education.
- **Healthcare:** Empower Mali partners with local healthcare providers to improve access to healthcare services in Mali. The foundation supports the building of clinics, training of healthcare workers, and providing medical supplies and equipment.
- **Clean Water:** Empower Mali helps to provide clean water to communities by building wells, water pumps, and water treatment systems. The foundation also educates communities about proper water management and sanitation practices.
- **Clean Energy:** Empower Mali supports the use of clean energy in Mali by building solar-powered systems for homes, schools, and clinics. The foundation also provides training on the maintenance and repair of these systems.

In all these domains, Empower Mali works closely with community leaders and citizens to ensure that projects are sustainable and can continue even after Empower Mali leaves the village. The foundation focuses on empowering communities to take charge of their own development and to create a better future for themselves and their children.



MALI BY THE NUMBERS

Current challenges. Our commitment. A brighter future.



Education remains one of Mali's greatest challenges. Limited schools, teacher shortages, and lack of resources continue to prevent millions from learning and realizing their potential.



Between 36% and 51% of Malians live in poverty depending on the measurement. Conflict, climate shocks, food insecurity, and limited economic opportunities continue to keep families in hardship.



Nationally, 56% of the population has access to electricity, but only 31% in rural areas. Limited energy access restricts education, healthcare, businesses and overall community development.



Access to basic water services has improved, yet 3.2 million people still lack safe drinking water and sanitation services, especially in rural and hard-to-reach communities.



Life expectancy is approximately 61 years. High maternal and child mortality, disease, malnutrition, and limited healthcare access continue to impact families every day.



EMPOWER MALI IS FIGHTING AGAINST ILLITERACY, POVERTY AND LIMITED ACCESS TO BASIC AMENITIES.

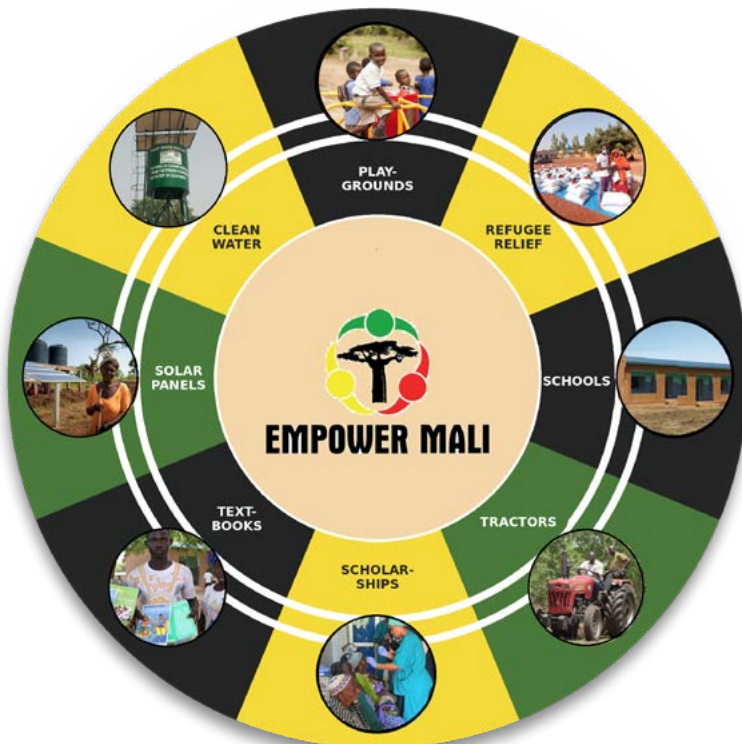
WE WORK HAND-IN-HAND WITH THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE.

With the right tools, resources and opportunities, Malians will be empowered to help themselves and their families escape the throes of poverty.

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Empower Mali is fighting against illiteracy, poverty and limited access to basic amenities. We emphasize working closely with the citizens in the areas we serve. We believe when equipped with the correct tools and resources, Malians will be empowered to help themselves and their families escape the throes of poverty.

OUR STRATEGIES TO EMPOWER SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



1. LOCAL INITIATIVE

As part of our partnerships, we expect the Malian communities where we work to initiate the demand for the project and also to contribute to the project whether it is 20% of the cost of the project and/or land or labor.

2. EMPOWERMENT

We utilize the existing capacities and resources of the villages.

3. PARTNERSHIP

The collaboration with the government and community stakeholders ensures that our projects are adequately staffed and receive long-term sustained support.

By getting the communities involved in both the needs assessment and financial portion, the project becomes *self sustainable*. The villagers are more likely to maintain the project because of their own investment and role in bringing the project to their community.



2025 Completed Projects in Education

ALEXIS DEJORIA MIDDLE SCHOOL - N'GANA



PROJECT FACTS

Location: N'Gana, Mali
Donor: Peace Love & Happiness Foundation
Community Contribution: 20%
Facilities: 3 Classrooms
Principal's Office
Secretary's Office
2 Blocks of 6 Latrines
Serves 150+ students from 7th-9th grade each year

Empower Mali completed the Alexis Dejoria Middle School in N'Gana through the generous support of the Peace Love & Happiness Foundation. The project includes three fully equipped classrooms, administrative offices, and modern sanitation facilities, creating a safe and welcoming learning environment for hundreds of students.

Developed in partnership with local leaders and community members, the school expands educational opportunities in rural Mali and reflects Empower Mali's commitment to sustainable, community-led development and long-term investment in the next generation of leaders.

This project includes three classrooms, a principal's office, a secretary's office, and two blocks of six latrines. It was made possible through a strong partnership between Empower Mali and JP's Peace, Love & Happiness Foundation, with a 20% contribution from village residents.

We firmly believe that quality education starts with strong infrastructure. By providing children with a safe and conducive learning environment, we empower them to build a better future.

2025 Completed Projects in Education

DAMBE KALANSO EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION



PROJECT FACTS

Location: Ouélessébougou, Mali

Institution: Dambe Kalanso Educational Campus

Classrooms Completed: 21

Current Project: Administration Building

Educational Focus: Leadership & College Preparation

Service Area: 44 Villages

Teacher Support: Government of Mali

Community Contribution: Land, Labor & Local Oversight

Construction continued on the Dambe Kalanso Educational Institution in Ouélessébougou during 2025, advancing Empower Mali's vision of creating a premier educational campus for rural students. The institution now includes 21 completed classrooms, made possible through the generous support of the Peace Love & Happiness Foundation and the Maxfield Family Foundation.

Work also progressed on the Administration Building, which will serve as the operational center of the campus and support future growth. Once completed, the facility will provide administrative offices, student services, and centralized support for the institution's expanding programs.

Dambe Kalanso is being developed to provide students with access to high-quality education, leadership development, and college-preparatory opportunities rarely available in rural Mali.

Through the collective support of its funding partners, Dambe Kalanso is becoming a transformative educational hub that will serve students and families throughout the Ouélessébougou region for generations to come.

PROJECT PARTNERS

• Stirling Foundation
• Mellor Family Foundation

• Gerber Construction
• Maxfield Family Foundation

• JP Peace Love & Happiness Foundation
• Sorenson Legacy Foundation

2025 Completed Projects in Education

DIOUMATÉNÉ MIDDLE SCHOOL



PROJECT FACTS

Location: Dioumaténé, Mali

Donor: BH Foundation &

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Population: 12,729

Facilities: 3 Classrooms

Principal's Office

Secretary's Office

Sanitation Facilities

Community Contribution

Grades 7-9

Serves 150+ Students Each Year

2,242 School-Age Children

No Existing Middle School

Construction advanced on a new middle school in Dioumaténé, providing students with access to quality education closer to home. The project includes three classrooms, administrative offices, and sanitation facilities designed to support a safe and effective learning environment.

Dioumaténé currently has no middle school. Children who complete primary school must walk up to 10 kilometers to reach the nearest facility, often in unsafe and unreliable conditions. For girls, these barriers contribute to high dropout rates and limited educational opportunities.

Current school data:

- Population ages 7-12: 2,242 children (1,154 boys and 1,088 girls)
- Current primary school enrollment: 347 students in overcrowded classrooms
- Middle school access: None within a safe, walkable distance

Limited access to quality education perpetuates poverty, unemployment, and gender inequality. By investing in educational infrastructure, Empower Mali and its partners are creating opportunities for students, strengthening families, and helping build a brighter future for the entire community.

2025 Completed Projects in Education

LABATA MIDDLE SCHOOL



PROJECT FACTS

Location: Labata, Mali
Commune: Gnouman Makan
Donor: B.H. Foundation
Facilities: 3 Classrooms
Principal's Office
Administrative Office
Sanitation Facilities
Grades 7-9
Serves 150+ Students Each Year
Government-Funded Teachers
Community Contribution: 20%

With support from the B.H. Foundation, Empower Mali Inaugurated the Labata Middle School on February 16, 2025. The project includes three classrooms, administrative offices, and sanitation facilities designed to provide students with a safe and effective learning environment.

Located in the village of Labata in the Commune of Gnouman Makan near the Guinea border, the school was constructed to replace unsafe and deteriorating classrooms where children studied under extremely difficult conditions.

The new middle school serves students in Grades 7-9 and provides modern classrooms, desks, administrative offices, and improved educational resources. The facility accommodates more than 150 students each year.

The Government of Mali has committed to funding teacher salaries, ensuring the long-term sustainability of the school.



2025 Completed Projects in Education

NIOKO MIDDLE SCHOOL



PROJECT FACTS

Location: Nioko, Mali
Donor: Stirling Foundation
Population: 6,000 7,000 Residents
Facilities: 3 Classrooms
Administrative Office
Concrete Latrines
Grades 7-9
Serves 150+ Students Each Year
Nearest Middle School: 17 km Away
Community Contribution: 20%

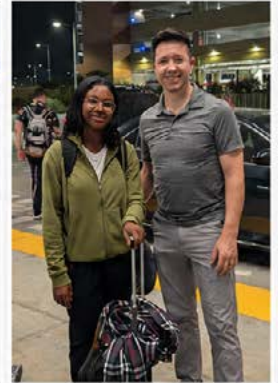
Construction began on a new middle school in Nioko through the generous support of the Stirling Foundation. The project includes three classrooms, administrative offices, and sanitation facilities designed to provide students with a safe and effective learning environment.

Nioko is located 5 km from N'Gouraba and approximately 32 km from Kassela, with an estimated population of 6,000–7,000 residents. Existing mud-brick classrooms are in severe disrepair and are no longer suitable for learning.

The nearest middle school is approximately 17 km away, creating a significant barrier for students seeking to continue their education after primary school.

2025 Completed Projects in Education

SCHOLARSHIPS & EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



PROJECT FACTS

Program: International Scholarships

Focus Areas: Academic Excellence,
English Language, Leadership

Partners: Wasatch Academy,
Nomen Global

Locations: Mount Pleasant, Utah (USA)
Provo, Utah (USA)

Beneficiaries: Talented Malian Students

Goal: Develop future leaders who
contribute to Mali's growth

Empower Mali continued providing international educational opportunities for talented Malian students through:

- Four-year scholarships to **Wasatch Academy** in Mount Pleasant, Utah
- English language scholarships through **Nomen Global** in Provo, Utah

These programs help prepare future leaders who will contribute to the development of their communities and country.

2025 Completed Projects in Health



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HAIDARA FOUNDATION ENDOSCOPY INITIATIVE

Strengthening Healthcare. Saving Lives. 

Through a partnership with the Haidara Foundation and the leadership of Cherif Haidara, Empower Mali acquired and delivered advanced endoscopy equipment to the **Centre de Santé Communautaire (CSCoM) Cherifla**. This investment enhances diagnostic capabilities and expands access to specialized healthcare services for patients across Mali.

IMPACT



IMPROVED DIAGNOSTIC ACCURACY

Earlier detection of gastrointestinal conditions



EXPANDED ACCESS

Bringing specialized services closer to underserved communities



STRENGTHENED CAPACITY

Training and equipment to empower local healthcare professionals



BETTER HEALTH OUTCOMES

Improved quality of care and patient outcomes



SUSTAINABLE IMPACT

Building a foundation for long-term healthcare advancement



LOCATION

Centre de Santé Communautaire (CSCoM)
Cherifla, Mali



LOCAL PARTNER

Haidara Foundation
Led by Cherif Haidara



DONOR

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2025 Completed Projects in Health



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PEDIATRIC SURGERY PROGRAM

Through our partnership with Dr. Bagayoko and the Clinique de Paix in Ouélessébougou, Empower Mali continued providing life-changing surgeries for vulnerable children. These procedures restored health, improved quality of life, and gave families renewed hope for the future.



RESTORING HEALTH

Surgical care for children with conditions that can be treated and healed.



SUPPORTING FAMILIES

Relief, hope, and a brighter future for children and their families.



QUALITY CARE

Performed by skilled medical professionals in a safe and compassionate environment.



STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Healthy children grow, learn, and contribute to stronger communities.



THIS PROGRAM WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY
BUILDING YOUTH AROUND THE WORLD

Thank you for helping
children in Mali heal
and thrive.

2025 Completed Projects in Health



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MEDICAL CLINIC EQUIPMENT PROJECT

Strengthening Maternal and Child Healthcare in Sikasso

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS DONORS



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Foundation



Empower Mali continued supporting the equipping of a newly constructed maternity clinic in Sikasso.

The project includes hospital beds, furnishings, solar power systems, backup generators, and essential medical supplies to improve maternal and child healthcare services.



IMPROVING MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH

Safer deliveries and better care for mothers and newborns.



EQUIPPED FOR QUALITY CARE

Reliable equipment and supplies to support healthcare providers.



RELIABLE POWER

Solar power systems and backup generators ensure uninterrupted care, day and night.



SERVING THE COMMUNITY

A healthier community and a brighter future for families in Sikasso.



DELIVERY & EXAMINATION ROOMS



PROVIDING QUALITY CARE



SAFE DELIVERIES, HEALTHY BABIES



EQUIPPED FOR MATERNAL HEALTH



CLEAN, COMFORTABLE FACILITIES



STRONGER COMMUNITY HEALTH



BACKUP GENERATOR (60 KVA)

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Hospital beds and furnishings
- ✓ Delivery beds and examination equipment
- ✓ Solar power system installation
- ✓ Backup generator for reliable power
- ✓ Essential medical supplies & instruments
- ✓ Support for trained healthcare providers
- ✓ Strengthening maternal & newborn care



POPULATION SERVED
15,000+
residents across
Sikasso and surrounding
communities



LOCATION
Sikasso
Mali



STATUS
Equipment installed
and operational



GOAL
Improve maternal & child
health outcomes and save lives



TOGETHER, WE CAN
BUILD HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES
AND BRIGHTER FUTURES.

2025 Completed Projects: Solar Powered Water Systems



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KABALA SOLAR WATER SYSTEM

Koulikoro Region, Mali



PROJECT FACTS

- ✓ Location: Kabala, Koulikoro, Mali
- ✓ Population: Approximately 24,200
- ✓ Project Type: Solar-Powered Water System
- ✓ Donor: Sorenson Legacy Foundation
- ✓ Water Tower with Solar Pump
- ✓ Deep Borehole Installation
- ✓ Community Water Access Basin
- ✓ Locally Managed Water Committee
- ✓ Improved Access to Safe Drinking Water
- ✓ Sustainable Solar-Powered Operation
- ✓ Community Contribution and Ownership



NARRATIVE

Empower Mali is proud to have completed a solar-powered water system in Kabala, a suburb in the Koulikoro Region with a population of approximately 24,200, through the generous support of the Sorenson Legacy Foundation.

The project includes a deep borehole, solar-powered pumping system, elevated water storage tank, and community distribution points that provide reliable access to safe drinking water throughout the year.

This water system reduces the burden of water collection, improves sanitation and hygiene, and supports the health and well-being of families across the community.

Consistent with Empower Mali's community-led development model, local residents participated in the project and established a village water committee responsible for ongoing management and maintenance.



PROJECT PARTNER



**SORENSEN
LEGACY
FOUNDATION**



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2025 Completed Projects: Solar Powered Water Systems



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LOUGANI KOKO SOLAR WATER SYSTEM

Misséni Rural Commune, Sikasso Region, Mali



Population: 3,500+ residents



PROJECT FACTS

- ✓ Location: Lougani Koko, Misséni Rural Commune, Sikasso Region, Mali
- ✓ Project Type: Solar-Powered Water System
- ✓ Donor: Stirling Foundation
- ✓ Water Tower with Solar Pump
- ✓ Deep Borehole Installation
- ✓ Community Water Access Basin
- ✓ Locally Managed Water Committee
- ✓ Improved Access to Safe Drinking Water
- ✓ Sustainable Solar-Powered Operation
- ✓ Community Contribution and Ownership



NARRATIVE

In 2025, Empower Mali completed a solar-powered clean water system in the village of Lougani Koko located in Misséni Rural Commune, Sikasso Region, with a population of 3,500+ residents, through the generous support of the Stirling Foundation.

The project includes a deep borehole, solar-powered pumping system, elevated storage tank, and community water distribution points designed to provide reliable access to safe drinking water throughout the year.

Prior to the project, families faced significant challenges accessing clean water and often relied on distant or unreliable sources. The new system reduces the burden of water collection, improves sanitation, and helps protect community health.



PROJECT PARTNER

• Stirling Foundation



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2025 Completed Projects: Solar Powered Water Systems



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LOUGANI VILLAGE SOLAR WATER SYSTEM

Misséni Commune, Kadiolo Cercle, Sikasso Region, Mali
(near the Ivory Coast border)

Population: 4,500 residents

PROJECT FACTS

- Location: Lougani Village, Misséni Commune, Kadiolo Cercle, Sikasso Region, Mali
- Project Type: Solar-Powered Water System
- Donor: Stirling Foundation
- Water Tower with Solar Pump
- Deep Borehole Installation
- Community Water Access Basin
- Locally Managed Water Committee
- Improved Access to Safe Drinking Water
- Sustainable Solar-Powered Operation
- Community Contribution and Ownership

NARRATIVE

In 2025, Empower Mali successfully completed a sustainable solar-powered water system in Lougani Village, located in Misséni Commune, Kadiolo Cercle, Sikasso Region, Mali (near the Ivory Coast border), with a population of 4,500 residents, through the generous support of the Stirling Foundation.

The project includes an elevated storage tank with solar pumping system and a community water access basin built to provide safe, reliable water for all residents.

This system improves health, saves time, and creates lasting change for families today and for future generations.

PROJECT PARTNER
Stirling Foundation








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MUSÉE DES SONINKÉS (DIALAKORODJI) SOLAR WATER SYSTEM

Musée des Soninkés, Dialakorodji, Mali

PROJECT FACTS

- Location: Musée des Soninkés, Dialakorodji, Mali
- Commune: Dialakorodji Commune
- Cercle (District): Kati Cercle
- Region: Koulikoro Region
- Donor: Watkins Family & Ashton Family Foundation
- Project Type: Solar-Powered Water System
- Deep Borehole Installation
- Solar-Powered Pumping System
- Elevated Water Storage Tower
- Community Water Access Basin
- Sustainable Water Infrastructure

NARRATIVE

The Musée des Soninkés Solar Water System provides reliable access to clean water for visitors, staff, and the surrounding community. Located in Dialakorodji, a rapidly growing suburban commune bordering Bamako, the project supports both community development and cultural preservation.

The Musée des Soninkés is dedicated to preserving the history and traditions of the Soninke people, founders of the ancient Ghana Empire (Wagadou). Through the generous support of the Watkins Family & Ashton Family Foundation, Empower Mali installed a solar-powered water system consisting of a deep borehole, solar pump, elevated storage tower, and community water access basin.

This sustainable infrastructure improves health and sanitation while helping support one of Mali's important cultural institutions and the approximately 3,506 residents living in the immediate area.

POPULATION SERVED
Approximately 3,506 residents

PROJECT PARTNER
Watkins Family & Ashton Family Foundation







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NASSOULOU VILLAGE

SOLAR WATER SYSTEM

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Location: Nassoulou Village, Mali
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Commune: Zégoua Commune
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Cercle (District): Kadiolo Cercle
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Region: Sikasso Region, Mali
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Population: 8,625 residents

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PROJECT FACTS
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Project Type: Solar-Powered Water System



Donor: Stirling Foundation



Water Tower with Solar Pump



Deep Borehole Installation



Community Water Access Basin



Locally Managed Water Committee



Improved Access to Safe Drinking Water



Sustainable Solar-Powered Operation



Community Contribution and Ownership



NARRATIVE

Empower Mali has successfully completed a sustainable solar-powered water system in Nassoulou Village, located in the Zégoua Sector of Kadiolo Cercle, Sikasso Region, through the generous support of the Stirling Foundation. The project serves approximately 8,625 residents, providing reliable access to safe drinking water and improving health, sanitation, and quality of life throughout the community.

This project includes an elevated storage tank with solar pumping system and a community water access basin built to provide safe, reliable water for all residents.

This system improves health, saves time, and creates lasting change for families today and for future generations.



PROJECT PARTNER

• Stirling Foundation



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OUELLESSEBOUGOU JP PEACE LOVE AND HAPPINESS SOLAR WATER SYSTEM



PROJECT FACTS

- ✓ Location: Ouellessebougou JP Peace Love and Happiness, Mali
- ✓ Commune: Ouellessebougou Commune
- ✓ Cercle (District): Ouellessebougou Cercle
- ✓ Region: Koulikoro Region
- ✓ Donor: JP Peace Love and Happiness Foundation
- ✓ Project Type: Solar-Powered Water System
- ✓ Deep Borehole Installation
- ✓ Solar-Powered Pumping System
- ✓ Elevated Water Storage Tower
- ✓ Community Water Access Basin
- ✓ Sustainable Water Infrastructure



NARRATIVE

The Ouellessebougou JP Peace Love and Happiness Solar Water System provides reliable access to clean water for thousands of residents in Ouellessebougou. The project supports community well-being, improves health and sanitation, and contributes to local development.

Thanks to the generous support of JP Peace Love and Happiness Foundation, Empower Mali installed a solar-powered water system consisting of a deep borehole, solar pump, elevated storage tower, and community water access basin.

This sustainable infrastructure brings hope, opportunity, and a brighter future to the people of Ouellessebougou.



POPULATION SERVED
17 000 habitants



DONOR
JP Peace Love and
Happiness Foundation



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TOMBAN-SEBEKORO VILLAGE SOLAR WATER SYSTEM



Commune: Sébékoro (Rural Commune)
Cercle (District): Kita Cercle
Region: Kayes Region, Mali
(south-western Mali)



Population: 3,500 long-term residents



PROJECT FACTS

- ✓ Location: Tomban-Sebekoro, Mali
- ✓ Project Type: Solar-Powered Water System
- ✓ Donor: Stirling Foundation
- ✓ Water Tower with Solar Pump
- ✓ Deep Borehole Installation
- ✓ Community Water Access Basin
- ✓ Locally Managed Water Committee
- ✓ Improved Access to Safe Drinking Water
- ✓ Sustainable Solar-Powered Operation
- ✓ Community Contribution and Ownership



NARRATIVE

Empower Mali is proud to have completed a sustainable solar-powered water system in **Tomban-Sebekoro Village** through the generous support of the **Stirling Foundation**.

The project includes a deep borehole, solar-powered pumping system, elevated water storage tank, and community distribution points that provide reliable access to safe drinking water throughout the year.

This water system reduces the burden of water collection, improves sanitation and hygiene, and supports the health and well-being of families across the community.

Consistent with Empower Mali's community-led development model, local residents participated in the project and established a village water committee responsible for ongoing management and maintenance.



PROJECT PARTNER

• The Stirling Foundation



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YAGUINE MORO-MORO SOLAR WATER SYSTEM



Kayes Region, Mali



Population: ~2,380 residents



PROJECT FACTS

- ✓ Location: Yaguine Moro-Moro, Kayes Region, Mali
- ✓ Population: Approximately 2,380 residents
- ✓ Project Type: Solar-Powered Water System
- ✓ Donor: Stirling Foundation
- ✓ Water Tower with Solar Pump
- ✓ Deep Borehole Installation
- ✓ Community Water Access Basin
- ✓ Locally Managed Water Committee
- ✓ Improved Access to Safe Drinking Water
- ✓ Sustainable Solar-Powered Operation
- ✓ Community Contribution and Ownership



NARRATIVE

Empower Mali is proud to have completed a sustainable solar-powered water system in **Yaguine Moro-Moro**, a rural community in the **Kayes Region of Mali** with approximately **2,380 residents**, through the generous support of the **Stirling Foundation**.

The project includes a deep borehole, solar-powered pumping system, elevated water storage tank, and community distribution points that provide reliable access to safe drinking water throughout the year.

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2025 Financial Overview



FY2025 FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

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REVENUE SOURCES (FY2025)

REVENUE SOURCE	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL REVENUE
Foundation Grants	\$930,037	95%
Corporate Donations	\$30,335	3%
Individual Donations	\$23,840	2%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$984,212	100%

REVENUE ALLOCATION (FY2025)



EXPENSE ALLOCATION (FY2025)

EXPENSE CATEGORY	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL EXPENSES
Program Services	\$730,037	88%
Fundraising	\$88,374	11%
Management & General	\$11,851	1%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$830,262	100%

EXPENSE ALLOCATION (FY2025)



KEY FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (FY2025)



KEY FINANCIAL IMPACT (FY2025)

87.9% of all expenditures directly supported mission-driven programs serving communities across Mali, including clean water infrastructure, education, healthcare, humanitarian relief, and community development initiatives.

Administrative expenses represented only 1.4% of total expenditures, reflecting Empower Mali's commitment to responsible stewardship, operational efficiency, and maximizing the impact of every donor dollar.



Empower Mali is committed to transparency, accountability, and maximizing impact through community-led investments in clean water, education, healthcare, and economic opportunity.



OUR PARTNERS & DONORS

The impact of Empower Mali is made possible through a growing community of foundations, businesses, faith-based organizations, families, and individual supporters who share our vision of sustainable, community-led development throughout Mali. We gratefully recognize the following donors and partners for their contributions during 2025

TRANSFORMATIONAL PARTNERS

JP Peace, Love And Happiness Foundation (\$385,000)

Supporting clean water, education, healthcare, leadership development, and community infrastructure projects across Mali.

Stirling Foundation (\$367,500)

Supporting solar-powered water systems, healthcare initiatives, educational infrastructure, and organizational growth.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (In-Kind Contribution Value: \$300,000)

Provided funding directly to the drilling equipment manufacturer for the purchase of a KGR DTH-450 Water Drilling Rig mounted on an Ashok Leyland truck. The equipment was purchased in 2025 and shipped from India for delivery to Mali in January 2026.

This transformational investment significantly strengthens Empower Mali's long-term capacity to expand access to clean water, reduce drilling costs, increase project sustainability, and serve thousands of additional families throughout rural Mali.

This contribution was made directly to the equipment supplier and is recognized separately from Empower Mali's cash contributions and operating revenue.

STRATEGIC PARTNERS

BH Foundation (\$70,000)

Supporting educational infrastructure and community development initiatives.

COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION PARTNERS

Charles Lamar Family Foundation (\$36,000)

Gerber Construction (\$30,000)

Sorensen Legacy Foundation (\$30,000)

COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY PARTNERS

Rocky Woods Charitable Foundation (\$15,000)

Watkins Family (\$15,000)

Steven B. Achelis Foundation (\$10,000)

VILLAGE BUILDER PARTNERS

Andrus Family (\$7,000)

Ashton Family (\$5,000)

FRIENDS OF EMPOWER MALI

Telemachus Foundation (\$4,000)

Miner Foundation (\$2,500)

Namaste Solar (\$2,500)

Public Interest Registry (org) (\$2,500)

John Allred (\$1,000)

Marie Durrant (\$600)

Jane Bryner (\$240)

Benevity Contributors (\$36.63)

Facebook Fundraisers (\$35.01)

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We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your generosity and the profound impact it has had on the lives of numerous individuals. The achievements made possible thanks to your kindness are truly remarkable, and we are excited about the potential to fulfill the needs of many more Malians in the coming year of 2026.

Your donations have the power to make additional projects a reality. Do not underestimate the influence of one individual. We look forward to your continued support as we move forward into the future.



Thank You!

Your generosity is transforming lives and building **stronger communities** across Mali.

Together, we are creating lasting change and brighter futures.

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