Malawi Tech Solutions Community Assessment BUNGANO Secondary School

1. **What are your community strengths**?
   a. People are easily taught and eager to learn
   b. They have a strong desire to learn technology
   c. There is unity in the community
   d. Community involvement in local school

2. **What are your community weaknesses**?
   a. High dropout rate for Schools
   b. Early marriages
   c. Illiteracy
   d. Women depend on men as their source of income
   e. Poor diet
   f. High immoral behavior

3. **What are your community needs?**
   a. Awareness on income generation
   b. Employment opportunities
   c. Access to Hygiene and water
   d. Good health facilities
   e. Opportunity to learn a trade or skill

4. **Why is your community interested in participating in the Malawi Tech Solutions Project**? It will help to develop our community. It will help to keep kids in school. It will provide opportunities to learn a new skill. It will reduce early childhood marriages since they will stay in school and have something to do.

5. **What does your group expect to gain from partnering with Malawi Tech Solutions in this project?** It will provide a future source of income. People, more especially women, will be independent. Kids will want to stay in school and help to decrease our high dropout rate. Education will increase earning capability. Future generations will be able to support their own kids' education, by paying for school fees.

6. **What does Information Technology mean to you?** The opportunity to learn how to use electronic devices such as computers. Learning how to fix electronics.

7. **What does your community have to offer to enable the success of technology classes at your local school?** Supporting our students and our teachers. Encouraging our kids to work hard in classes.

8. **Does your local community school have access to electricity?** Yes, the school has electricity but our homes do not. Malawi often has blackouts and we lose access to electricity for long periods of time. Electricity is not reliable.

9. **Does your local community school have any computers?** No, our school does not have computers. However, occasionally a school will be donated computers by the government, but many of these computers remain unused as there are not teachers available to teach how to use them.

10. **Does your school have access to internet?** No

11. **Does your community have reliable cellular network?** Yes

12. **Have your children been exposed to technology in the past?** No

13. **Is your community able to read, speak and write in English?** Students are taught English in school. But if students drop out at an early age they are not able to speak English. Many adults in our community cannot speak English.

14. **Does your group understand that this project has huge potential for the future? Profits from this project will grow over time. This first year is a trial year, and profits will be less than future years. We will grow each year after this first year.**

15. **Does your community school have teachers that would be able to instruct technology courses for this project?** No, we don't think so.

16. **Does your community have a classroom available to host the Malawi Tech Solutions classes?** Yes, we will provide space.

17. **Anything else you would like to share with us?** Please provide our community with the opportunity to participate in this project. We greatly need it.

Thank you for participating in the Malawi Tech Solutions Community Assesment! We are beyond excited to grow this project together with YOU!