Power Africa is a U.S. Government-led partnership, coordinated by USAID, that brings together the collective resources of over 170 public and private sector partners to double access to electricity in sub-Saharan Africa.

Since 2013, Power Africa has helped deliver first-time electricity to 145.7 million people across sub-Saharan Africa. Power Africa-supported projects are generating more than 6,000 MW of new, cleaner and more reliable electricity, helping to mitigate climate change and end energy poverty. In 2021, Power Africa-supported renewable energy projects helped avoid 6.2 million tons of CO₂ emissions, the equivalent of burning 6.8 billion pounds of coal.¹

### OUR GOALS

| Add more than 30,000 MW of cleaner and more reliable electricity generation capacity | Connect 60 MILLION new homes and businesses to power by 2030 | Improve lives for 580 MILLION by powering health, education, and prosperity |

### HOW WE WORK

Power Africa partners with African governments, the private sector, international organizations, NGOs, and bilateral and multilateral donors to stimulate investment in sub-Saharan Africa’s energy sector.

**Our unique approach is defined by:**

- **Transaction Focus:** By addressing the critical barriers that hinder progress of a particular deal, we create a ripple effect for other deals facing similar issues in the country.

- **On-the-Ground Support:** Power Africa’s in-country advisors identify the technical, financial, and political solutions needed to facilitate faster access to power.

- **Working Beyond the Grid:** With numerous investors and partners committed to finding small-scale and off-grid renewable energy solutions, Power Africa is providing millions of people access to reliable and sustainable electricity for the first time.

- **Bridging the Financing Gap:** Power Africa’s aim is to de-risk investments to enable public and private investors to fund projects that drive systemic reforms.

- **African-led Reform:** Power Africa works with African governments to fill critical skills gaps, drive reforms, and build and maintain power sectors for generations to come.

- **Empowering and Powering Women:** Power Africa supports projects, programs and policies that strive to reduce gender inequalities and promote engagement of both men and women.

¹ GHG figures derived from cleertooll.org and epa.gov.
OUR PRIORITIES

POWER GENERATION
ON- AND OFF-GRID CONNECTIONS
TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION
TRADE & INVESTMENT

Since 2013:

40 countries have received Power Africa assistance

70+ transaction advisors and embedded advisors deployed in 20 countries

13,902 MW reached financial close

144 transactions supported by Power Africa

79 power projects commissioned and operational

6.2 MILLION tons of CO₂ emissions avoided annually

6,014 MW of cleaner and more reliable electricity online

6,551 KM of transmission lines reached financial close

30.6 MILLION new connections to homes and businesses on and off the grid

145.7 MILLION new beneficiaries gained access to electricity through Power Africa assistance

POWER AFRICA TOOLBOX

200+ TOOLS & RESOURCES

Lights On!

76% of financially closed transactions are based on renewable energy technologies

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USDA

U.S. Department of Energy

U.S. Agency for International Development

United States Trade and Development Agency

DFC

U.S. International Development Finance Corporation

EXIM

Export-Import Bank of the United States

Millennium Challenge Corporation

United States of America