



POWERING POTENTIAL



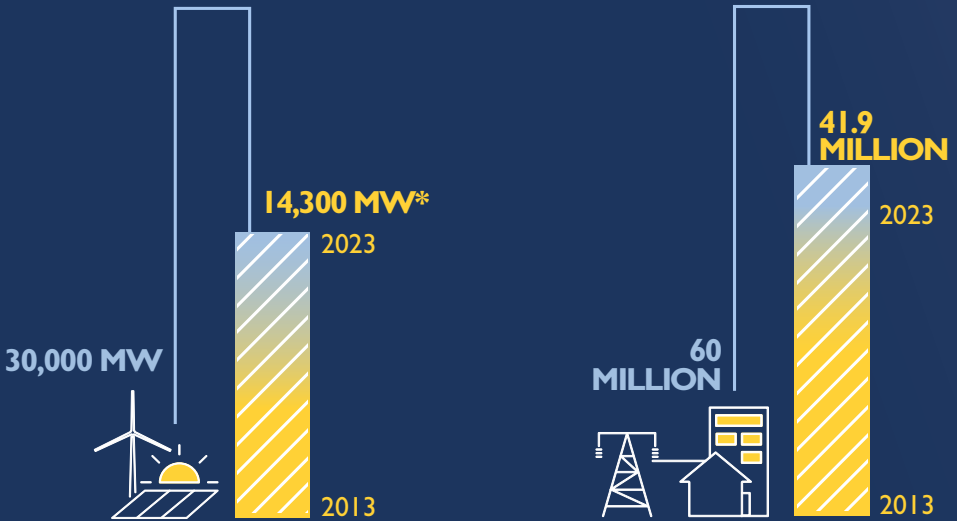
*"A light where there is currently darkness; the energy needed to lift people out of poverty – that's what opportunity looks like."
– President Barack Obama, June 30, 2013*

POWERING POTENTIAL FOR 10 YEARS

Over 590 million people lack dependable access to electricity in sub-Saharan Africa. In 2013, President Obama launched Power Africa, an innovative U.S. Government-led partnership created to address this challenge. Power Africa now convenes the collective resources of more than 200 U.S. and global public and private sector partners to increase just and inclusive energy access, mitigate climate change, and end energy poverty in sub-Saharan Africa.

Power Africa's early goals were to add 10,000 MW and 20 million connections by 2030 in six focus countries. In 2014, we tripled our goals and expanded our on-the-ground technical support to more than 40 countries. Today, through the power of partnership, Power Africa is creating connections to turn more **Lights On!**

OUR PROGRESS



Cumulative data through December 2023

Over the last ten years, Power Africa and our partners have expanded access to electricity across the continent and made significant progress in an ever-changing energy ecosystem. In addition, African-led reform fosters investment and ensures that the energy sector contributes to African agendas for environmental sustainability, economic and social development, and women's empowerment.

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POWER AFRICA PRIORITIES

To respond to our 2030 goals and seize new opportunities, Power Africa adapted our strategy to advance sub-Saharan African development through implementing gender-smart and socially responsible investments, expanding renewables, and providing universal access to clean energy.



Ending Energy Poverty

On-grid and off-grid connections provide energy solutions to rural and peri-urban households, small businesses and industry – **delivering clean, reliable electricity**, strengthening distribution utilities and infrastructure, improving livelihoods, and providing essential power to healthcare facilities.



Accelerating a Carbon-Free Future

A clean-energy future is critical for sub-Saharan Africa, and Power Africa's holistic approach promotes renewable and cleaner energy technologies to meet the needs of our partners and people across the continent.

79% of our financially closed transactions are based on renewable energy.



Bolstering U.S. and African Private Sector Innovation

By encouraging the private sector to play a leading role, Power Africa facilitates investments that connect U.S. and African companies and advance development outcomes. **The U.S.-Africa Clean Tech Energy Network** bridges new private-sector financial partners to frontier markets where project-ready technology can increase access to reliable electricity – introducing local energy firms to opportunities and promoting direct investment in cleantech enterprises.



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Since 2013

A U.S. government-led partnership, Power Africa harnesses the collective resources of the public and private sectors to double access to electricity in sub-Saharan Africa.

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