



Benin

Country Portfolio

Overview: Country program established in 1986. USADF currently manages a portfolio of 30 projects. Total commitment is \$4.2 million.

Country Strategy: The program focuses on agricultural sector, providing support to food producers and processors in the local and export market.

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Grantee	Duration	Value	Summary
Anti Sua An Koua An Mon of N'Dali (ASAKAM) 2692-BEN	2012-2014	\$74,929	Sector: Agriculture (Vegetables) Beneficiaries: 31 vegetable producers Town/City: Commune of N'Dali of the Borgou Department Summary: The project funds will be used to enable the women's association to develop two hectares of land for improved vegetable production. The women will use a surface irrigation system which will improve their capacity to grow vegetables regardless of season.
TINFI Association for Ecotourism Promotion 2646-BEN	2012-2015	\$141,406	Sector: Services (Ecotourism) Beneficiaries: 22 service providers Town/City: Tanongou in the Atakora Department Summary: The project funds will be used to enable TINFI to improve the existing tourist attractions in the village to meet the demand for tourist lodging and increase the village's revenues. TINFI will use the funds to create simple lodging facilities for tourists, develop a catering service based on local foods, and organize touring services around the waterfalls of Tanongou.
Union Communale des Coopératives de Producteurs Maraichers de Péhunco (UCCooPMA) 2752-BEN	2012-2015	\$197,572	Sector: Agriculture (Vegetables) Beneficiaries: 291 vegetable producers Town/City: Péhunco, Atakora Department Summary: The project funds will be used to enable the Union to develop three sites for improved vegetable and potato production. Union members will use a surface irrigation system to improve their capacity to grow vegetables regardless of season.
Coopérative de Maïs du Borgou (CMB) 2846-BEN	2013-2016	\$220,926	Sector: Agriculture (Maize) Beneficiaries: 112 Maize farmers Town/City: Borgou Department Summary: The project funds will be used to construct three warehouses, provide working capital, and conduct trainings on post-harvest techniques and marketing techniques.

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Union Sous-Préfectorale des Groupements de Femmes de Banikoara (USPGF) 2889-BEN	2013-2016	\$164,781	Sector: Processing (Shea Butter) Beneficiaries: 1,875 Shea Butter producers Town/City: Banikoara Commune (northern Benin) Summary: The project funds will be used to procure processing equipment, a building, working capital and provide training in both production and marketing.
Groupement Grenier du Bénin 2917-BEN	2013-2016	\$179,851	Sector: Agriculture (Corn, Soybeans) Beneficiaries: 66 Corn and Soybean producers Town/City: Kalalè (northeast Benin) Summary: The project funds will be used to expand the group's production capacity by providing working capital, a storage facility and two tractors.
Association Béninoise du Moringa (ABM) 2923-BEN	2013-2016	\$133,577	Sector: Processing (Moringa) Beneficiaries: 173 Moringa processors Town/City: Parakou Summary: The project funds will be used to provide processing equipment, a processing facility, working capital and conduct trainings in a variety of areas including management, finance, marketing, and production.
Union Communale des Coopératives des Producteurs Maraîchers de Kouandé(UCCOOPMA) 2958-BEN	2013-2016	\$138,007	Sector: Agriculture (Vegetables) Beneficiaries: 215 Vegetable farmers Town/City: Kouandé (Northwest Benin) Summary: The project funds will be used to provide working capital for agricultural production inputs, construction of four wells, farming tools, as well as training in agricultural production, irrigation and water management, marketing techniques, and cooperative management.
Association Savaloise des Handicapés Moteurs (ASHAM) 2994-BEN	2014-2016	\$80,793	Sector: Services (Sewing, Weaving, Hairdressing) Beneficiaries: 25 Disabled Persons Town/City: Savalou (Central Benin) Summary: The project funds will be used to expand the group's business and also accommodate their limitations and ensure the sustainability of the organization. Funds will be used to construct a facility with necessary accommodations and provide training in accounting and financial management, internal controls, small business management, marketing, sewing, hairdressing, and weaving refresher training.
Groupement Villageois des Professionnels et Eleveurs de Ruminants (GVPER) de Katatèou 3025-BEN	2014-2016	\$99,013	Sector: Livestock (Cattle Market) Beneficiaries: 117 Herders and breeders Town/City: Djidja Summary: The project funds will be used to empower the group to strengthen their organizational capacity and improve the facilities available at the self-managed market that the group maintains and regulates. Funds will provide training on market management, hygiene and sanitation, conflict and management, and cooperative life.
Groupement SODAN des Personnes Handicapées de Paouignan (GSPHP) 3029-BEN	2014-2016	\$96,567	Sector: Livestock (Rabbits) Beneficiaries: 38 Disabled Persons Town/City: Paouignan Commune Summary: The project funds will be used to provide and furnish a production facility, specialized to meet their needs, an office facility, transportation, salaries for new staff, and training on management, internal controls, and rabbit production.

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Union Communale des Producteurs de Zè (UCP-Zè) 3072-BEN	2014-2016	\$98,203	Sector: Agriculture (Maize) Beneficiaries: 16 Unions Town/City: Zè Commune Summary: The project funds will be used to provide training in financial management, maize production and storage techniques, and entrepreneurship; construct and equip a 200 ton capacity warehouse with a drying yard, basic office equipment; establish a line of credit for agricultural inputs; produce a business plan for the union, and cover initial salaries for new personnel.
Groupement à Vocation Coopérative de Commercialization des Produits Agricoles Miyiwannoumide de Yaaggo (GMO) 3084-BEN	2014-2016	\$95,117	Sector: Agriculture (Maize and Cassava) Beneficiaries: 64 Producers and processors of maize and cassava Town/City: Ouinhi Commune Summary: The project funds will be used to provide training in financial management, internal controls, marketing and negotiation, cooperative life, maize production and storage techniques, and garri production; a 70 ton warehouse with a drying yard and office facilities; computers and financial management software with training; a line of credit for agricultural inputs; a business plan; and initial salaries for new staff.
Groupement de Femmes Suuru Ceka de Bellefougou 3141-BEN	2014-2016	\$88,800	Sector: Agriculture (Vegetables) Beneficiaries: 42 female vegetable producers Town/City: Bellefougou in the Donga Department Summary: The project funds will be used to provide training in accounting, management, marketing and cooperative markets, trainings in production techniques, an irrigation system and production tools.
Coopérative des Producteurs Maraîchers de Foumbea 3146-EN	2014-2016	\$83,600	Sector: Agriculture (Vegetables) Beneficiaries: 28 Vegetable producers Town/City: Foumbea, Donga Department Summary: The project funds will be used to provide training in accounting, management, marketing and cooperative markets, trainings in production techniques, an irrigation system and production tools.
Union des Groupements des Agriculteurs Mowossokpo (UGAM) de Miniki 3174-BEN	2014-2016	\$95,500	Sector: Agriculture (Maize , Cassava, Soybean, Yam) Beneficiaries: 14 Groups with 1,300 members Town/City: Savalou and Banté Communes Summary: The project funds will be used to train 113 members on seed production which will then be able to satisfy the demand for quality certified seeds for the remaining members and other non-members in both communes.
Union Communale des Coopératives de Producteurs Maraichers de Ouaké 3181-BEN	2014-2016	\$87,400	Sector: Agriculture (Pepper & Vegetables) Beneficiaries: 6 Groups with 14 members of vegetable producers Town/City: Donga Department Summary: The project funds will be used to provide trainings in production techniques, an irrigation system and production tools and inputs as well as training in accounting, management, marketing and cooperative markets.

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Groupe ment a Vocation Cooperative Itchedon 3185-BEN	2014-2016	\$84,000	Sector: Agriculture (Various Food Staples) Beneficiaries: 29 People, primarily women, who buy food staples Town/City: Tchetti in the Zou/Collines Department Summary: The project funds will be used to improve and increase the group's ability to store food for sale during the hunger season, which will both provide the group with higher revenues as well as contribute to food security in the region. The funds will provide for a storage facility, training on storage techniques, a revolving fund for purchasing produce, and trainings for increasing its organizational capacity.
ONG Conservatoire de la Civilisation Tanéka (CoCiTa) 3200-BEN	2014-2017	\$137,600	Sector: Services (Ecotourism) Beneficiaries: 60 People Town/City: Atakora Department Summary: The project funds will be used to enable CoCiTa to improve the existing tourist attractions in the village to meet the demand for tourist lodging and increase the village's revenues. Funds will be used to create simple lodging facilities for tourists, develop a catering service based on local foods, and provide training on creating handicrafts.
Groupe ment pour la Gestion du Marché à Bétail de Tchaourou 4011 BEN	2015-2017	\$77,873	Sector: Livestock (Cattle Market): Beneficiaries: 4,000 Men and women herders Town/City: Tcahourou in the mid-east part of Benin Summary: The project funds will be used to equip the group's livestock market with the basic facilities (loading dock, hangars for vendor, toilets, etc.) needed to attract traders from outside the commune, and training to build the group's capacity.
Cooperative de Transformation d'Approvisionnement et d'Écoulement de Produits Soja 4047-BEN	2015-2017	\$91,882	Sector: Processing (Soy Products) Beneficiaries: 25 Members who produce two soy products, goussi and agbeli Town/City: Soyo in the Allada Commune Summary: The project funds will be used to provide capacity building training predominantly in finance and health and sanitation. Funds will also repair their current workshop to meet the Benin health standards.
Association Karité Bénin (AKB) 4081-BEN	2015-2018	\$228,466	Sector: Processing (Shea Nuts) Beneficiaries: 120 Groups of women shea nut collectors totaling more than 7,900 members Town/City: 16 communes in Benin Summary: The project funds will be used to construct 15 storage facilities and training will also be provided on storage techniques and management.
Groupe ment de Transformation de Manioc en ses dérivés SONAGNON 4129-BEN	2015-2017	\$89,860	Sector: Processing (Cassava) Beneficiaries: 121 Women and 4 men Town/City: Tokpa-Dômé Village in the Atlantique Department Summary: The project funds will be used to provide capacity building training, technical training, and construction and furnishing of a modern processing facility.
Groupe ment des Femmes Transformatrices de Nassy d'Amande de karité en Beurre 4137-BEN	2015-2017	\$78,715	Sector: Processing (Shea Butter) Beneficiaries: 17 Women Town/City: Parakou Summary: The project funds will be used to provide training for capacity building as well as providing the infrastructure and equipment to modernize their processing operations.

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Union des Groupements des Transformatrices de Karité de Nikki (U4130-BEN GTKN)	2015-2017	\$78,093	Sector: Processing (Shea Butter) Beneficiaries: 600 Members Town/City: Nikki Commune Summary: The project funds will be used to procure processing equipment, a building, working capital and provide training in production, marketing, and financial and organizational management..
Groupement à Vocation Coopérative de Production Végétale 4174-BEN	2015-2017	\$96,638	Sector: Processing (Peanuts & Cassava) Beneficiaries: 297 Members Town/City: Lokoui-Bedjamey Village Summary: The project funds will be used to construct a modern processing facility, provide working capital, and provide training on improved processing techniques and organizational and financial management training.
Groupement des Maraîchers et Riziculteurs "Mialebouni" de Djoudomé/Missinko Toviklin 4175-BEN	2015-2017	\$90,709	Sector: Processing (Cassava) Beneficiaries: 82 Gari producers and 5 men Town/City: Toviklin Commune Summary: The project funds will be used to construct a modern processing facility, provide working capital, and provide training on improved processing techniques and organizational and financial management training.
Groupement des Femmes de Transformation des Produits Agricoles "DJIGBODE" de Djetoe 4097-BEN	2015-2017	\$67,050	Sector: Processing (Cassava) Beneficiaries: 28 Gari producers Town/City: Djètoè Village in the Houéyogbé commune Summary: The project funds will be used to construct a modern processing facility, provide working capital, and provide training on improved processing techniques and organizational and financial management training.
Union Communale des Coopératives de Producteurs de Maraîchers de Tanguiéta 4086-BEN	2016-2019	\$90,500	Sector: Agriculture (Vegetables) Beneficiaries: 245 vegetable producers Town/City: Tanguiéta Commune Summary: The project funds will be used to install irrigation and construct production sites, furnish the site with appropriate tools, and provide training on improved production techniques and organizational and financial management training.

