

# Developing and Expanding Community Enterprises

Creating Pathways to Prosperity for Underserved Communities in Africa

## UGANDA



Last  
**10 Years\***  
of Impact

**184** / **1.7M**  
Enterprises / People Impacted

**US\$26.4**  
Million

\*FY 2011 to March 30, 2021



The U.S. African Development Foundation (USADF) is an independent U.S. government agency established by Congress to invest in African grassroots organizations, entrepreneurs, and SMEs. USADF's investments promote local economic development by increasing incomes, revenues, and jobs. Utilizing a community-led development approach, USADF provides seed capital and local project management assistance to African-owned and -led enterprises addressing some of Africa's biggest challenges around food insecurity, insufficient energy access, and unemployment—particularly among women and youth. Over the last five years (2016–2020), throughout Africa's Horn, Sahel, and Great Lakes regions, USADF has invested more than US\$117 million dollars directly into over 1,000 African-owned and -operated entities and impacted over four million lives.

### PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

In partnership with USADF, the Government of Uganda renewed its commitment to supporting smallholder farmers and agribusinesses in Uganda. Currently, both parties match funds for up to \$1 million dollars each a year to fund agricultural enterprises to improve lives and livelihoods for Uganda's poorest and most vulnerable populations.



**Investing in  
Communities**



**Increasing  
Incomes**



**Building  
Capacity**

### INVESTING IN COMMUNITIES

**Challenge:** Years of an economic downturn and civil war displaced the members of Kweyo Growers Cooperative Society Ltd.

**Action:** USADF awarded the cooperative US\$240K for seed capital, business development services, including quality certification, and farmer training.

**Results:** With USADF's investment, the cooperative increased acreage by at least 150 percent and more than doubled agricultural production. It has become a leading Quality Certified Peanut Butter Processor in Uganda and in 2019 was the "Best SME Exhibitor" at the Uganda Manufacturers' Association international trade show.

### INCREASING INCOMES

**Challenge:** Decades of instability due to cattle rustling, civil wars, and militant invasions displaced members of Katine Joint Farmers' Cooperative Society and resulted in high levels of poverty.

**Action:** USADF invested US\$237K in the cooperative for member training in agronomic and post-harvest best practices and extension services, including transport facility.

**Results:** With USADF's investment, the cooperative increased sales revenues by 460 percent over two years, from US\$18K to US\$102K, and annual production by 737 percent, from 30 to 252 tons.

### BUILDING CAPACITY

**Challenge:** Lack of collective voice and poor market information and conditions associated with fluctuating prices limited the revenue and profits of Semuliki Cooperative Union Limited.

**Action:** USADF invested US\$238K for Semuliki to construct a storage facility that meets international standards, to acquire a fair-trade certification to access international cocoa specialty markets, and establish transport services for collecting cocoa from bulking centers.

**Results:** With USADF's investment, Semuliki purchased 3,197,082 kg of cocoa, paying US\$5.1 million to farmer members in a two-and-a-half year period. Semuliki's membership increased from 3,008 members in 2017 to 10,410 during that same time.



# USADF Uganda Investments Active in 2021\*

\*Active portfolio as of March 31, 2021

USADF invests directly in African community enterprises, providing grant capital and local technical support to early-stage businesses.

**Abatahunga Farmers Cooperative Union Limited**

US\$239,285 • 3 years  
• Coffee

**Aga Great Works Uganda Limited**

US\$99,661 • 3 years  
• Alternative Energy

**Agago Youth Peacemakers Farming Group**

US\$9,544 • 1 year  
• Sunflowers and soy

**Aruu North County Youth Farmers Association**

US\$9,123 • 1 year  
• Soy

**Aswa Youth Peace Makers Network**

US\$9,477 • 1 year  
• Goats

**Biganda Farmers' Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$227,327 • 3 years  
• Coffee

**Bufumbo Organic Farmer Association**

US\$244,371 • 3 years  
• Coffee

**Bukawa Area Marketing Enterprise Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$247,608 • 3 years  
• Maize

**Bukusu Yetana Area Cooperative Enterprise**

US\$242,813 • 3 years  
• Beans and maize

**Bukuya United Farmers Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$97,085 • 2 years  
• Coffee

**Bushika Intergrated Area Cooperative Enterprise**

US\$246,858 • 3 years  
• Coffee

**Buzaaya Growers' Cooperative Union Limited**

US\$249,172 • 3 years  
• Coffee

**Central Coffee Farmers Association**

US\$241,293 • 3 years  
• Coffee

**CHACHA Banana Fiber Project**

US\$25,000 • 1 year  
• Textiles

**Chua West YPN Motor Spare Part Dealer**

US\$8,908 • 1 year  
• Piggery

**Conservation and Development Uganda Limited**

US\$178,550 • 5 years  
• Solar home systems

**Enabling Access to Yield Enhancing Agriculture Inputs and Extension Services**

US\$25,000 • 1 year  
• Agriculture

**Hope for Peace Farmers Youth Group**

US\$9,045 • 1 year  
• Onions

**Kabeywa United Coffee Farmers Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$246,295 • 4 years  
• Coffee

**Karangura Peak Modern Coffee Farmers' Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$96,980 • 2 years  
• Coffee

**Kaserem Area Cooperative Marketing Enterprise Limited**

US\$87,040 • 2 years  
• Maize and bean production and marketing

**Katine Joint Farmers' Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$237,229 • 3 years  
• Groundnuts and maize

**Kayunga Nile Coffee Farmers Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$245,581 • 3 years  
• Coffee

**Kelo Kuc Ber Rice Production**

US\$8,908 • 1 year  
• Rice

**Khainza Energy Limited**

US\$10,000 • 1 year  
• Delivery services

**Khainza Energy Limited**

US\$91,500 • 2 years  
• Energy

**Kilak South Rice and Soybean Group**

US\$9,549 • 1 year  
• Rice and soy

**Kiwemba Farmers Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$220,920 • 3 years  
• Maize

**Know Your World Children's Animation Project**

US\$20,000 • 1 year  
• Children's animation

**Lamwo Youth Goat Rearing Group**

US\$9,185 • 1 year  
• Goats

**Lamwo YPN Farming and Ox Traction Group**

US\$9,557 • 1 year  
• Soy and sunflowers

**Mak Tic Farming Group**

US\$8,798 • 1 year  
• Sunflowers and soybeans

**Manafwa Basin Rice Farmers' Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$233,612 • 3 years  
• Rice

**Mobile Scan Solutions Uganda Limited**

US\$24,999 • 1 year  
• Mobile ultrasound probes

**Mt. Rwenzori Coffee Farmers Cooperative Union Limited**

US\$232,951 • 3 years  
• Coffee

**Namubuka Grain Producers Area Cooperative Society limited**

US\$240,237 • 3 years  
• Maize

**Ngec Lonyo Youth Group**

US\$9,185 • 1 year  
• Groundnuts

**Nwoya Youth Apiary Project**

US\$9,192 • 1 year  
• Honey

**Nwoya Youth Goat Rearing Project**

US\$8,842 • 1 year  
• Goats

**Nyekorac Community Farmers' Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$235,657 • 3 years  
• Maize

**Omia Agribusiness Development Group Limited**

US\$25,000 • 1 year  
• Demonstration gardens

**Omoro Youth Peace Makers Group**

US\$8,925 • 1 year  
• Goats

**Pingire Labori Producers and Marketing Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$95,105 • 2 years  
• Maize, rice and sorghum

**Power Trust Uganda Limited**

US\$98,718 • 3 years  
• Alternative energy

**Raising Gabbho Foundation**

US\$99,015 • 3 years  
• Solar mini-grid

**Sihubira Area Cooperative Enterprise Limited**

US\$244,759 • 3 years  
• Cassava

**Solar Today Uganda Limited**

US\$98,718 • 3 years  
• Alternative energy

**TAABU Integrated Cooperative Society Limited**

US\$227,458 • 3 years  
• Soya beans and maize

**The Achievers Youth Peacemaker Network**

US\$8,950 • 1 year  
• Beans and Soy

**Tochi Youth Farmers' Initiative**

US\$9,701 • 1 year  
• Groundnuts

**Uganda Development Trust (UDET)**

US\$92,348 • 1 year  
• Grant management and BDS services

**Water Access Uganda Limited**

US\$25,000 • 1 year  
• Farming technology

**Young Farmers Champions Network (YOFCHAN)**

US\$10,000 • 1 year  
• Advocacy

**Zirobwe Agaliawamu Agri-Business Training Association**

US\$242,740 • 3 years  
• Maize, rice, and beans

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