

PARTNERS FOR DEVELOPMENT NIGERIA

2011

FACT SHEET

Population:	154.7 million
Population Growth:	5.7%
GDP Per Capita:	\$1,405
Life Expectancy:	48
Infant Mortality:	69/1,000 births
Malnutrition Prevalence:	46%
HIV Prevalence:	3.2%
Adult Literacy:	60%

SOURCE WORLD BANK 2009



NIGERIA OVERVIEW

Despite its plentiful resources and oil wealth, approximately 70% of Nigeria's 151 million people live in poverty. Most rural Nigerian families work in the agricultural sector on a small scale. Key challenges for these families include limited access to: *credit, information, markets, and social services*. Malnutrition is high in many parts of rural Nigeria and infectious disease – including malaria and AIDS – is a major problem.



While women undertake much of a household's work, including in agriculture, their status is often low; women generally have even worse access to social services, including to health care. Fertility remains very high in much of rural Nigeria.

To help address these central challenges, PFD has been implementing an integrated program in central and northern Nigeria since 2000- in Benue, Nassarawa, Kaduna, and Bauchi states. In addition, as of August 2008, PFD has begun a large HIV/AIDS project in Delta and Akwa Ibom states in southeastern Nigeria. Working with several Nigerian NGOs, PFD promotes improved agricultural production, processing, marketing and enhanced health care. PFD's support of local NGOs strengthens such groups and therefore enhances local capacity; it also enables the program to have a broad reach as many of our local partners have fairly extensive networks in their own right. seven regions.

MISSION:

Partners for Development's (PFD) mission is to work with underserved populations in developing countries to improve quality of life.

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PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

1. Strengthening the capacity of Nigerian civil society partners
2. Enhancing service delivery to people affected by HIV/AIDS
3. Improving food security and livelihoods of rural agricultural households by provision of technical assistance and microfinance services for agricultural production, processing, and preservation
4. Increasing income-generating opportunities for vulnerable households through micro-credit, and small enterprise development services
5. Promoting safe motherhood through increasing the adoption of child spacing, adequate pre-natal care, and prevention of STIs through working with local communities, clinics, health workers, community leaders and local partner organizations



MICROFINANCE

PFD has prioritized expanding access to credit and improving value chains for agricultural producers in Nigeria.

Through a revolving micro-credit loan fund, PFD supports sixteen CSO partners who target vulnerable populations with credit services. To date, PFD has facilitated the disbursement of over 35,000 loans, totaling more than \$3 million USD.

In conjunction with credit, PFD provides training on business development skills to improve small scale entrepreneurial efforts. Essential skills training has been provided for more than 300 agricultural producers or processors.

Agricultural producers and processors also benefit from PFD's efforts to improve value chains.

PFD partners with the national government in the development and piloting of the Nigerian Agricultural Enterprise Curriculum.

PARTNERS

Daughters of Charity
 Anglican Diocesan Development Services (ADDS)
 Women in Nigeria (WIN)
 Ecumenical Commission for Justice and Peace (ECJP)
 Ohonyeta Care Group (OCAG)
 OSA Foundation
 Rahama Women's Cooperative
 Gerawa Women Cooperative
 Dass Women Multipurpose Cooperative
 Country Women Association (COWAN)
 Fantsuam Foundation
 Methodist Women Association
 Wurno Kowonaka
 Project Agape
 Family Health Care Initiative (FAHCI)
 Methodist Health Services
 Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA)
 Primary Health Care (PHC)
 National Association for Women and Youth Culture (NAWYCA)

FOCUS ON SUSTAINABILITY: BUILDING INSTITUTIONS

PFD has worked to build financial management and community advocacy skills for 25 local CSO partners. Partners also benefit from skills training, including fundamentals of small enterprise development (SED); management and maintenance of infrastructure improvement projects; and reproductive health education.

PFD has trained 10 CSOs to support primary health care facilities to improve birth spacing counseling and maternity services and 3 CSOs to provide services for Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (PMTCT) HIV Counseling and Testing (HCT) and support for Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC). PFD also trained 2 clinics to provide comprehensive care for People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA).

PFD also trained 7 CSO partners in community mobilization to implement priority infrastructure projects, including upgrading 17 roads, completing 50 culverts, and two bridges benefiting over 600,000 inhabitants from 116 different communities.