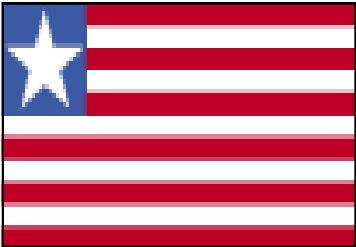


# LIBERIA

## INVESTMENT SUMMARY



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**Overview:** Country program established in 1984. Responding to a presidential request, USADF returned in 2006 to rehabilitate and expand Liberian businesses and community organizations, particularly agricultural cooperatives. Focus is on agricultural initiatives among marginalized populations in Liberia. USADF currently manages a portfolio of 32 projects. Total commitment is \$4.2 million.



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<b>LIBRA Sanitation</b> 1773-LIB	2007-2012	\$233,630	<b>Services (Sanitation):</b> LIBRA Sanitation is a waste management company established by two Liberians that provides service in Monrovia. USADF funding allows LIBRA to expand its operations in Monrovia as well as to other parts of the country with investments in additional trucks and sewerage equipment.
<b>Ro-Zi's Catering</b> 1769-LIB	2007-2012	\$248,955	<b>Services (Catering):</b> Ro-Zi's Catering is a Liberian-owned food service and catering company based in Monrovia. The USADF investment provides working capital as well as management and market development training to enable Ro-Zi's to add a new restaurant with meeting facilities and expand into long-term catering contracts.
<b>Panta Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative Society</b> 1840-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2008-2011	\$163,936	<b>Agriculture (Palm Oil):</b> The 172 member cooperative in Bong county is using USADF funding to finance rehabilitation of its members' oil palm plantation, working capital for new seedlings, warehouse construction, transport vehicle procurement, quality control training for members, and reconstruction of the plantation access road.
<b>Pulukpeh Multi-Purpose Cooperative Society</b> 1843-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2008-2012	\$183,200	<b>Agriculture (Palm Oil):</b> The 305 member cooperative in Bong county will use the USADF grant to acquire oil processing equipment and transport vehicles, recruit professional management staff, and establish a revolving credit fund for production inputs.
<b>Sharpe Home Care Services (SHOCAS)</b> 1888-LIB	2008-2011	\$99,700	<b>Services (Microfinance):</b> The USADF grant will finance a revolving loan fund and financial management training for a Monrovia-based nonprofit that provides microcredit services to over 900 women who were affected by the war.
<b>Intofawor Farmers Multipurpose Cooperative Society</b> 1954-LIB	2009-2012	\$243,736	<b>Agriculture (Rice):</b> This 300 member farmers' cooperative in Foya District of Lofa County will use the USADF grant to rehabilitate 192 acres of swampland rice paddies, acquire a transport truck, and establish a working capital fund to purchase and market members' rice.
<b>Zoekarkiah Cooperative Society Limited</b> 1954-LIB	2009-2012	\$248,736	<b>Agriculture (Rice):</b> This 295 member farmers' cooperative in Saclepea, Nimba County will use USADF funds to rehabilitate 123 acres of rice paddies, acquire transport and processing equipment, and establish a working capital fund to purchase and market rice produced by its members.
<b>Cole Joe Wood Workshop</b> 2048-LIB	2009-2011	\$51,710	<b>Manufacturing (Furniture):</b> CJWW produces high quality, affordable furniture for middle-income customers in Buchanan, Grand Bassa County, and surrounding areas. USADF funds are being used to improve financial and technical management, procure equipment and obtain technical assistance needed to expand production and extend its client base.

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<b>Liberia Entrepreneurial and Asset Development, Inc. (LEAD)</b> 2073-LIB	2009-2012	\$246,229	<b>Services (Microfinance):</b> LEAD is using the USADF grant to strengthen its loan management systems, expand its lending capital and establish rural branch offices in four additional counties to extend microfinance services to hundreds of borrowers outside its base in the Monrovia area.
<b>Gbalin Women Multipurpose Development Cooperative Society, Ltd (GBMDCS)</b> 2152-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2010-2012	\$50,400	<b>Agriculture (Vegetables):</b> GBMDCS consists of 22 low-income women in lower Margibi County who produce vegetables for sale in Monrovia markets. Project funds are used to provide training in accounting, irrigation management, vegetable production and post harvest treatment which will allow GBMDCS to improve their horticultural practices; diversify and expand their production; and market at more profitable prices.
<b>Gbogoun Multipurpose Cooperative Society (GMCS)</b> 2160-LIB	2010-2011	\$54,700	<b>Agro-processing and Marketing (Cassava):</b> GMCS consists of 75 low income farmers in Bomi County who produce cassava for sale in markets in Monrovia. Project funds are used to construct a hand pump; procure cassava processing equipment; and obtain training in financial management, marketing and cassava processing. This will allow GMCS to expand its production, processing activities, marketing outlets, and improve support services to its members.
<b>Gaia Enterprises, Ltd</b> 2165-LIB	2010-2011	\$59,065	<b>Manufacturing (Bamboo and Rattan Furniture):</b> Glahkon Bamboo Company, a subsidiary of Gaia Enterprises, was established in Grand Bassa County to promote bamboo as a substitute for timber for affordability and conservation of Liberia's forests. The project will enable Glahkon to rebuild its production workshop and resume production activities; obtain basic power tools and equipment; expand its work force; obtain working capital and strengthen its technical capabilities to improve the overall management and growth potential of the business.
<b>Youth Development and Progressive Actions (YDPA)</b> 2167-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2010-2011	\$53,436	<b>Agriculture (Vegetables)</b> YDPA was established to promote opportunities for over 100 war-affected youths in Gbarnga, Bong County, to engage in reconstruction and agricultural activities. USADF funds enable YDPA members to improve their yields, diversify and expand their production, and market at more profitable prices, which will increase members' incomes and help restore hope and dignity to young people whose lives have been disrupted by the civil war.
<b>Standard Metal Workshop/ Garage (SMWG)</b> 2188-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2010-2012	\$54,925	<b>Services (Metalwork):</b> SMWG located in Ganta, Nimba County, provides metal-working services and products as well as apprenticeships to youth in technical training programs. USADF funds enable SMWG to obtain an electric generator and basic power tools and equipment, strengthen its technical and managerial capabilities, expand its work force, and obtain working capital to expand its activities and improve their members' standards of living .
<b>Agriculture Relief Services, Inc. (ARS)</b> 2207-LIB	2010-2013	\$218,922	<b>Agriculture (Vegetables):</b> ARS provides technical assistance in agricultural production and cooperative organization to over 350 farmers in rural communities in Liberia. USADF funds enable ARS to assist farmers in Lower Tappita, Nimba County, to organize as a registered group with effective, structured leadership, identify markets for their produce, and provide collection, processing, storage, and transport facilities to reach the markets identified.
<b>Mamadee Konneh United Blacksmith Shop (MKUBS)</b> 2210-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2010-2012	\$64,200	<b>Services (Metalwork):</b> MKUBS provides blacksmith training to local youth in Gbarnga, Bong County. USADF funds enable MKUBS to construct a larger workshop and procure welding equipment and a stock of raw materials for increased production of farming tools and simple farming machinery. USADF assistance will enable MKUBS to be a reliable supplier of metal tools and equipment for agricultural production and value-added processing by Bong County farmers.
<b>Kokoyah Multipurpose Cooperative Society (KMCDS)</b> 2220-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2010-2012	\$57,900	<b>Agriculture (Rice):</b> KMCDS is a 403 member community-based organization in Kokoyah District, Bong County with the purpose of improving members' standard of living by promoting lowland rice cultivation and providing production inputs, milling, and marketing services to its members. USADF funds increase KMCDS management and governance capabilities and members' incomes from value-added activities, such as processing rice from area farms and transporting it to central markets.

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<b>Dokodan Farmers Cooperative Society (DFCS)</b> 2223-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2010-2012	\$58,400	<b>Agriculture (Rice):</b> DFCS is a 97 member cooperative in Gbedin, Nimba County created to promote the production and marketing of members' produce from the Gbedin Wetland area that was developed for lowland rice production. USADF funds increase DFCS' management and governance capabilities and members' incomes from value-added activities, processing rice from area farms and transporting it to central markets.
<b>SAMJAC Agro-Industry</b> 2232-LIB <a href="#">photos</a>	2010-2012	\$82,700	<b>Agriculture (Peanuts, Cassava and Peppers):</b> SAMJAC works with 20 low income farmers in Margibi County providing agricultural production assistance and training to improve food security and create job opportunities. USADF funds enable SAMJAC to assist farmer groups to create a marketing cooperative; promote improved farming methods; facilitate the introduction of improved crop varieties, post-harvest techniques, processing, and packaging; and facilitate the creation of a forum to develop equitable terms of exchange between farmers and buyers.
<b>Virtuous Women Multipurpose Cooperative (VWMC)</b> 2246-LIB	2010-2012	\$48,800	<b>Services (Sewing):</b> VWMC is a 106 member cooperative created to continue school uniform and tailoring activities initiated by female tailors from various garment factory sites on Bushrod Island, Montserrado County. USADF funds are used to provide business development, governance, financial management, machine maintenance training and technical assistance; cover the cost of leasing the group's production site for one year; and provide operating capital to enable the group to expand its production and procure specialized production machines.
<b>Committee for Peace and Development Advocacy (COPDA)</b> 2224-LIB	2010-2012	\$82,700	<b>Agriculture (Cassava):</b> COPDA was established to alleviate poverty in rural communities in Liberia by providing technical assistance in human rights, peace, and economic development. USADF funds allow COPDA to assist two existing farmers' associations in creating two additional associations to establish effective, structured leadership and formally register the organizations. This project will provide processing equipment and training to add value to cassava grown in the four communities, as well as help local farmers identify markets for their produce.
<b>Farmers Associated to Conserve the Environment (FACE)</b> 2259-LIB	2010-2012	\$57,450	<b>Agriculture (Cassava):</b> FACE works with local communities to promote local food production through sustainable agricultural practices and conserve the biodiversity resources of Liberia. USADF funds enable 166 women from the Tewor District in Cape Mount County to increase their production and reduce the labor requirements for production of cassava products, especially <i>farina</i> and <i>gari</i> , by constructing three cassava mills.
<b>Monrovia Emergency Relief Program, Inc (MERP)</b> 2260-LIB	2010-2012	\$55,500	<b>Agriculture (Cassava):</b> MERP provides technical and financial support to farmers to increase their productivity and promote sustainable land use practices. USADF funds enable 60 women from Dassalamu and William Farm communities in Bomi County to increase their production and reduce the labor requirements for production of cassava products, especially <i>farina</i> and <i>gari</i> , by constructing two cassava mills. The project also promotes the reforestation of savannah land through establishment of acacia and moringa trees for firewood and medicinal uses.
<b>Community of Hope Agriculture Project (CHAP)</b> 2261-LIB	2010-2012	\$54,820	<b>Agriculture (Rice):</b> CHAP empowers local farmers to increase food production and promote lowland rice and vegetable production. CHAP provides adult literacy training for farmers, as well as health and hygiene awareness in the community. USADF funds allow CHAP to register two farmers' associations in Bomi County with whom they work to enhance farmers' horticultural production, processing, preservation, and marketing knowledge and skills, as well as establish a rice mill.
<b>Development Education Network -Liberia (DEN-L)</b> 2329-LIB	2011	175,115	<b>Fisheries (Artisanal):</b> DEN-L provides technical assistance to facilitate group organization and empowerment among selected artisanal fishing communities in the Southeast Region of Liberia. This enables community members to identify and rank priorities for developing the sector based on physical (equipment/infrastructure) and strategic needs (capacity/skill gaps). The community groups supported will develop five year community action plans and submit proposals to USADF for funding of economic development projects in their respective communities.

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<b>Voinjama District Farmers Cooperative Society (VDFCS) 2408-LIB</b>	2011-2013	\$136,620	<b>Agriculture (Rice):</b> The 326 member cooperative in Lofa County seeks to renovate its multipurpose warehouse which houses its offices, a large storage facility, and a drying facility. USADF assistance will enable VDFCS to improve their financial and organizational management capacity and renovate the warehouse facilities from which it will process and market rice and generate income from space rental.
<b>Greenville Community Artisan Fishery Association (GCAFA) 2424-LIB</b>	2011-2014	\$150,100	<b>Fisheries (Artisanal):</b> The 16 member cooperative was organized in October 2010 in Sinoe County to help artisan fishermen and fishmongers to increase their catch and income through improved fishing techniques, processing skills, and marketing opportunities. USADF assistance will enable GCAFA to upgrade fishing equipment, improve safety practices and equipment, and develop their capacity in organizational and business management.
<b>Harper Community Artisan Fishery Association (HCAFA) 2442-LIB</b>	2011-2014	\$159,600	<b>Fisheries (Artisanal):</b> The 16 member cooperative was organized in October 2010 in Maryland County to help artisan fishermen and fishmongers to increase their catch and income through improved fishing techniques, processing skills, and marketing opportunities. USADF assistance will enable HCAFA to upgrade fishing equipment, improve safety practices and equipment, and develop their capacity in organizational and business management.
<b>Bapopolebo Community Artisan Fishery Association (BCAFA) 2459-LIB</b>	2011-2014	\$152,565	<b>Fisheries (Artisanal):</b> The 16 member cooperative was organized in October 2010 in Maryland County to help artisan fishermen and fishmongers to increase their catch and income through improved fishing techniques, processing skills, and marketing opportunities. USADF assistance will enable BCAFA to upgrade fishing equipment, improve safety practices and equipment, and develop their capacity in organizational and business management.
<b>Tren District Artisan Fishery Association (TDAFA) 2471-LIB</b>	2011-2014	\$150,325	<b>Fisheries (Artisanal):</b> The 16 member cooperative was organized in May 2011 in Grand Kru County to help artisan fishermen and fishmongers to increase their catch and income through improved fishing techniques, processing skills, and marketing opportunities. USADF assistance will enable TDAFA to upgrade fishing equipment, improve safety practices and equipment, and develop their capacity in organizational and business management.
<b>Butaw District Artisan Fishery Association (BDAFA) 2475-LIB</b>	2011-2014	\$150,323	<b>Fisheries (Artisanal):</b> The 16 member cooperative was organized in October 2010 in Sinoe County to help artisan fishermen and fishmongers to increase their catch and income through improved fishing techniques, processing skills, and marketing opportunities. USADF assistance will enable BDAFA to upgrade fishing equipment, improve safety practices and equipment, and develop their capacity in organizational and business management.
<b>Moonlight Metal Works and Garage (MMWG) 2486-LIB</b>	2011-2013	\$62,955	<b>Services (Metalwork):</b> MMWG is a metal working workshop in Gbargna that produces simple motorized agro-machinery like cassava graters and pressers, and mills for extracting palm and kernel oil. USADF support will enable MMWG to strengthen its institutional and human resource capacity and provide a solid workshop structure to increase its capacity to produce durable agro-tools and machines.
<b>Kpodo Farmers Development Cooperative (KFDC) 2536-LIB</b>	2011-12013	\$57,918	<b>Agriculture (Rice):</b> The 79 member cooperative was established in May 1981 in Nimba County to engage in the production of swamp rice. During the war, farmers from the area were displaced, and the rice farms fell into disuse. USADF support will enable KFDC to strengthen its financial and technical management capacity and rehabilitate 80 hectares of swampland, resulting in an increase swamp rice production and sales.



**Rice produced and stored for the  
WFPA P4P program:  
2220-LIB**

## **USADF Grantees in Action in Liberia**



**Vegetable gardens grown by war-affected  
youth in Gbarnga, Bong county:  
2167-LIB Youth for Development and Pro-  
gressive Action**

## **Demonstration of a well pump in Gbarnga made by the Grantee: LIB 2210-Mamadee Konneh United Blacksmith (MKUBS)**



**Grantees demonstrating the use of Freedom Mills used to extract  
palm oil in Bong county:  
1843-LIB Pulukpeh Multipurpose Cooperative Society**



**Libra sanitation services at work in the streets of Monrovia:  
1773-LIB Libra Sanitation**