

West Africa Water Supply, Sanitation and Hygiene Program (USAID WA-WASH)

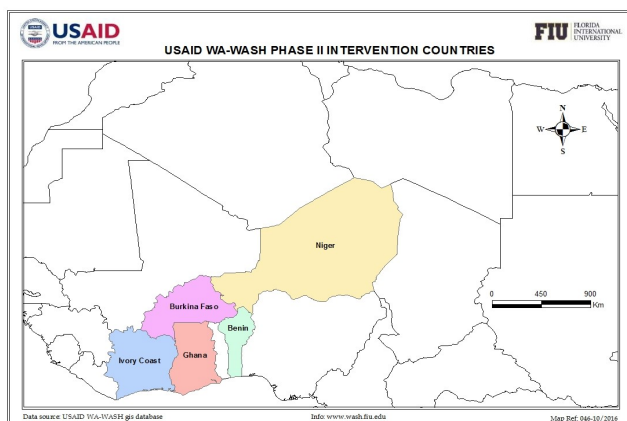
Program Objectives

The primary goal of the USAID West Africa Water Supply, Sanitation, and Hygiene Program (USAID WA-WASH) is to increase sustainable access to safe water and sanitation and improve hygiene in West Africa. The Program accomplished this by introducing innovative and low-cost water and sanitation technologies; by promoting adequate hygienic behaviors at community level; by developing practical models of sustainable WASH service delivery; by facilitating cooperation and creating synergies between WA-WASH and other relevant USAID/West Africa programs and priorities in the region; by increasing the capacity of national and regional institutions to replicate these approaches and models throughout the region; and by facilitating knowledge sharing among the WA-WASH countries and beyond.

During Phase II (January 2016 to December 2017) the Program contributed to build regional WASH institutions and human capacity, to leverage partners and stakeholder's knowledge and investment in WASH sector by promoting knowledge management and information sharing, and to identify through long term monitoring the best practices and lessons for dissemination and translation of the results into policy.

Geographic Focus

Northern Ghana, Burkina Faso, and Niger in Phase I in addition to Benin and Cote d'Ivoire in Phase II.



Program Goal

Increase access to potable water and sanitation and improve hygiene in West Africa.

Life of Program

2011 – 2017

USAID Funding

U.S. \$24 million

Implementing Partners

Led by Florida International University (FIU), the Program was implemented with the collaboration of the following local, regional, and international partners:

- ◆ Action Micro Barrages (AMB)
- ◆ Afram Plains Development Organisation(APDO)
- ◆ African Water Association (AfWA)
- ◆ ANIMAS SUTURA
- ◆ Association des Volontaires pour le Développement du Sahel (VDS)
- ◆ BARKA Foundation
- ◆ Building Partnerships for Development (BPD)
- ◆ CARE International
- ◆ Centre d'Etudes et d'Expérimentations Economiques et Sociales de l'Afrique de l'Ouest - Association Internationale (CESAO-AI)
- ◆ Développement pour un Mieux-Être (DEMI-E)
- ◆ International Water and Sanitation Center(IRC)
- ◆ International Water Association (IWA)
- ◆ Organisation catholique pour le développement et la Solidarité (OCADES)
- ◆ Partnerships for Rural Development Action (PRUDA)
- ◆ Rainwater Harvesting Implementation Network (RAIN)
- ◆ Social et de Communication pour la Santé (PROMACO)
- ◆ SOS Sahel International
- ◆ Swiss Resource Center for Consultancies for Development (SKAT Foundation)
- ◆ UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education
- ◆ Varena Asso
- ◆ Water and Sanitation for Africa (WSA)
- ◆ Water Resources Coordination Center (WRCC)
- ◆ WaterAid

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PHASE I

THEMATIC	ACHIEVEMENTS
WATER SUPPLY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 370 water points were installed or rehabilitated within the three countries to provide access to improved drinking water sources for 65,691 people • 10,189,400 Aquatabs sold • 203,788,000 liters of water treated with Aquatabs
SANITATION AND HYGIENE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8,295 household latrines constructed • 5,863 handwashing stations installed with soap resulting in 62,625 people access to an improved sanitation facility
FOOD SECURITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5,855 agricultural producers received short-term agricultural sector productivity or food security training producers trained on climate smart agriculture techniques • 2,549 producers applied the best agriculture practices • 127 productive water points installed
CLIMATE CHANGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26 community climate vulnerability assessment conducted • 246 decision-makers trained on climate risks integration into development strategies • 5,657 stakeholders have increased capacity to adapt to the impacts of climate variability and change in the target countries
CAPACITY BUILDING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 staff members trained on water resource management through a study tour in Florida, USA • 72 scholarships awarded in Burkina Faso, Ghana, and Niger • 153 students and young professionals completed an internship • 247 WASH practitioners received training on WASH governance in Burkina Faso and Ghana
GENDER MAINSTREAMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 492 women trained on leadership • 176 male gender champions trained on local gender advocacy in Burkina Faso and Ghana • 928 women gained access to plots and engaged in market gardening activities • 147 villages savings and loan associations were established in Burkina Faso, Ghana, and Niger
ALLIANCES FORMED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 alliances established to support the WASH sector



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PHASE II

THEMATIC	ACHIEVEMENTS
WASH COORDINATING SECRETARIAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 meeting including knowledge management conducted in Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, and Ghana • 2 Public-Private Partnership studies conducted In Cote d'Ivoire and Benin • 3 Public-Private Partnership developed in Burkina Faso and Cote d'Ivoire
CAPACITY BUILDING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Non-US Pre-Award Survey (NUPAS) assessments conducted for the benefit of AfWA, CESA0-AI, ECOWAS/WRCC, and WSA • 3 WASH context analysis conducted in Burkina Faso, Ghana, and Cote d'Ivoire • 3 regional organizations (AfWA, CESA0-AI, and ECOWAS/WRCC) received institutional capacity reinforcement • 187 staff members received trainings in capacity building • 10 training sessions organized for AfWA, CESA0-AI, and ECOWAS/WRCC • 5 knowledge products developed and submitted to AfWA for dissemination
MONITORING AND EVALUATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 264 water points visited in the three countries with an average rate of functionality of 82% • 667 latrines were visited in the three countries with an average functionality rate of 96% • 99% of producers continuing to apply new technologies or management practices • 4 knowledge products resulting from data synthesis and analysis of Phase I activities • 13 climate sensitive actions designed and implemented • 88% of water quality tests performed showing good water quality

