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Deadline for Applications: September 30, 2022

 **USADF invites applications from registered African agricultural cooperatives, producer groups, processors, and enterprises for grant financing. Grants will support solutions that extend your organizations’ own capabilities to increase your revenues, create jobs, improve farmer incomes, and achieve sustainable market-based growth.**

USADF is accepting applications in the following countries and sectors:

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| **Burkina Faso:** cashew, honey/beeswax, maize, onions, rice, shea butter, tomatoes | **Burkina Faso apply here** |
| **Burundi:** coffee, palm oil, potato, rice | **Burundi apply here** |
| **Kenya:** fishing, livestock, maize, rice, sorghum | **Kenya apply here** |
| **Liberia:** cassava, cocoa, goat, palm oil, rice, vegetables | **Liberia apply here** |
| **Rwanda:** beans, coffee, maize, rice, tea | **Rwanda apply here** |
| **Senegal:** rice, millet, maize, horticulture, banana, livestock | **Senegal apply here** |
| **South Sudan:** cassava, coffee, maize, shea, sorghum | **South Sudan apply here** |
| **Somalia:** fishing, frankincense, job training/youth employment, livestock, rice, sesame | **Somalia apply here** |
| **Tanzania:** beans, coffee, cotton, horticulture, maize, rice | **Tanzania apply here** |
| **Uganda:** cassava, coffee, maize, rice | **Uganda apply here** |
| **Zambia:** agri-energy hybrid, dairy, fish farming, oil seeds, rice | **Zambia apply here** |

**Criteria**

* Your organization must demonstrate that it has successfully worked together for a minimum of 2 years, has a minimum of 200 active members or suppliers, and has the capability to effectively use grants funds.
* Your ownership and management must be in agreement on the problem to be addressed and have a commitment to benefit your community.
* Your organization must demonstrate the capability to account for USADF funds by showing you have a minimum of 2 years of basic functional management and financial controls in place.
* Your organization must be 100% African-owned and African-led.
* USADF is not accepting applications from non-government organizations (NGOs) and intermediaries. Your organization must be an agricultural cooperative, producer group, processor, or business.

**Successful Proposals Must…**

* Have a clearly defined market opportunity to grow revenues that can increase incomes.
* Have a clearly defined plan of how you can increase revenues and incomes in 2- 4 years.
* Commit significant cash or specific in-kind contributions toward the grant activity.
* Be able to directly impact hundreds of people and community members.
* Be able to identify a path for continued growth and financing after the USADF grant ends.
* Not exceed **US $250,000**.
* Special consideration will be given to applications that incorporate innovative strategies to make use of new approaches and technologies, including complementary finance and information technology.
* Special consideration will also be given to women-owned organizations and applications that promote youth entrepreneurship and employment.

**Application instructions**

* Your submission must include the following information from your organization:
	+ financial statements for the last 2 years
	+ registration document
	+ completed grant application form, in English, or French
* Applications must be in the sectors identified above for each country.
* Applications can be no more than US $250,000.
* Submit all documents in one e-mail by **September 30, 2022** to the e-mail address linked above at **apply here** for your country.
* Download a copy of the grant application form here:

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| **In English** | **In French** |

**We look forward to reviewing your proposals!**