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Project Highlights HAITI

"Immediate support to urban and peri-urban agriculture for earthquake affected populations"

Project code: OSRO/HAI/017/SAF

Donor: South Africa

Contribution: USD 88 612

Implementation: 27/4/10 - 26/4/11

Target areas: Cité Soleil and Pétion Ville municipalities

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Objective:

To support the food security of earthquake-affected households by increasing the diversity and availability of quality food, and by creating additional sources of income through

urban agriculture.

Project partners:

The Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development, farmer's organizations, women's groups as well as national and international NGOs.

Beneficiaries reached:

Some 784 vulnerable households (3 920 people).

Activities implemented:

- Procured and distributed 880 transplanting trowels, 880 hand garden trowels, 880 cultivators, 880 sprayers, 880 buckets, 880 caps, 885 watering cans and 653 bags of composts.
- Procured and distributed 5.04 kg of eggplant seed, 11.99 kg of carrot seed, 6.45 kg of cabbage seed, 5.6 kg of chili seed, 20.66 kg of okra seed, 6.95 kg of onion seed, 6.95 kg of pepper seed, 20.66 kg of Swiss chard seed and 6.95 kg of tomato seed.
- Trained 7 promoters, one for each camp, on agricultural gardening in urban and periurban areas, as well as compost production.
- Set up demonstration plots to train beneficiaries in agricultural production techniques.
- Supported beneficiaries in installing micro-gardens in urban and peri-urban settings.

Impact

- Increased the food security of the project beneficiaries through increased, and diversified vegetable production from micro-gardens.
- Strengthened the capacity and knowledge of beneficiaries on production processes linked to urban and peri-urban agriculture.
- Improved the nutritional status and income of households.
- Cultivated 30 to 40 kg of okra, 25 to 40 kg of Swiss chard, 10 to 15 kg of tomato, 10 to 15 kg of pepper, 10 to 15 kg of chili and 8 to 10 kg of onion and carrot.

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