Strengthening Sustainable Local Economic Development and Social Accountability in the Weija-Gbawe Municipality

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In partnership with the European Union





Key Information

SECTOR: GOVERNANCE

LEAD PARTNER: WEIJA-GBAWE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY (WGMA)

OTHER PARTNERS: ORGANISATION FOR LIVELIHOOD ENHANCEMENT SERVICES

DURATION: 2019-2022

TOTAL BUDGET EUR: EUR 1.15M

EU CONTRIBUTION EUR: EUR 800 000



Background

The quest to combat youth unemployment, improve SME business operations, increase internally generated funds of the Municipal Assembly and increase citizens' participation in local governance and accountability were critical components (objectives) of the 42-month Local Economic Development (LED) Project initiated at the Weija Gbawe Municipality to improve the living conditions of its citizenry. The project is implemented by the Weija Gbawe Municipal Assembly with support from the Organization for Livelihood Enhancement Services (OLIVES).









Project Details



The project aims at creating jobs for the youth (including 10% people with disabilities) through the establishment of a vibrant Piggery value chain in the Municipality. Additionally, the project will improve the capacity of SMEs in the municipality for profitability and also improve IGF col- lection and management by the municipal assembly through capacity development and sensitization of revenue actors. Finally, the project will improve citizens' participation in local governance and demand accountability from duty bearers for improved service delivery in the municipality.

The overall objective is to improve the living conditions of the citizens of Weija Gbawe Municipal. Specifically, the LED project will contribute the following in the Weija Gbawe Municipality,

- Establish a vibrant piggery value chain (modern Abattoir for pigs, Breeding Centre, Feed Mill) and train pig farmers and pork vendors in meat processing and food hygiene, Pig production and Breeding practices
- Contribute to effective revenue mobilization by the municipal Assembly through capacity development and sensitization
- Build capacity of SMEs in the municipal for increased profitability and taxability
- Promote social accountability between the citizens and municipal assembly for improved service delivery in the municipality

Expected Results



Project Target:

- A vibrant piggery value chain established
- Jobs created for 200 youths including (10% people with disability),
- Capacities of 300 SMEs (including 150 wom- en led SMEs), Revenue actors, Citizen Groups, Municipal Assembly, Pig farmers, Pork vendors developed
- Seven citizen groups established in all electoral areas in the municipal to demand accountability from the assembly.
- Increased revenue sensitization drive through FM radio and van campaigns
- A revolving fund established for 300 SMEs in the Municipal
- Internally generated funds collection and management by the Municipal Assembly improved

Expected Results:

- A modern Piggery Abattoir, Breeding Centre and
- Feed Mill constructed and operational by 2022.
- Expected 200 youths gained employment from a vibrant piggery value chain by 2022
- Capacity of 300 SMEs improved for 50% increased profitability by 2022
- Improved citizen participation in local governance through an improved social accountability mechanism in all electoral areas in the Weija Gbawe municipality
- Expected internally generated revenue of the Assembly increased to 130% by 2022







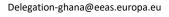
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Weija-Gbawe Municipal Assembly