

INTEGRATED AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION (IAA)

2022 ANUAL NARRATIVE REPORT.

1.) GALERY.







2.) PARTNERS.

- Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.
- Ministry of Livestock Fisheries and Animal Industries
- Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife
- Ministry of Environment and Nature protection
- Ministry of Youth Affaires and Civic Education
- Ministry of Women Empowerment and the Family.
- Ministry of Social Affaires
- Ministry of Public Health
- Global Youth Mobilization
- The Vegan Society
- Proveg International
- Seed Programs International
- The Pollination Project
- Karuna Foundation
- Lush Charity Pot
- Future In Our Hands
- AstraZeneca
- Global Giving
- United People Global
- Our Kids Climate
- Earth Rising Foundation
- Peace Direct
- Partners for World Health

3.) REPORT SUMMARY.

- ❖ 1,086 kitchen gardens planted for 1,086 malnourished households to fight poverty and food insecurity.
- ❖ 25 trainers equipped with skills on sustainable vegetable gardening and small scale poultry production.
- ❖ 17,230 grams of vegetables seed and 150 hoes distributed to smallholder farmers
- ❖ 326 households trained on vegetables diversity and different nutrition sources
- ❖ 500 community health workers trained on NCDs prevention and over 50million people and youth sensitized on risk factors of NCDs through media campaign and in person workshops.
- ❖ 277 women trained on regenerative agriculture practices, agroforestry techniques and bio-fertilizer production.
- ❖ 112 youths and children trained on tree nursery development, importance of trees and indigenous forest resources

- ❖ 10,000 agroforestry trees nursed to support smallholder farmers build sustainable food system and fight poverty.
- ❖ 1000kgs of bio-fertilizer produced and distributed to smallholder farmers to improve soil fertility.
- ❖ 250 youths trained on business management and sources of business capital and financial management.
- ❖ 1200 youths trained on agro-pastoral entrepreneurship to fight youth unemployment, through self-employment in the agriculture sector in villages.
- ❖ 2 community wells dug to provide clean and safe drinking water to over 1500 people.
- ❖ 35 girls trained on child right advocacy and entrepreneurship.
- ❖ 35 dogs and cats vaccinated against rabies.
- ❖ 133 people trained on veganism to reduce animal exploitation and consumption.

Total number of direct beneficiaries: 5,311. Indirect beneficiaries: 25,000 people.

Percentage of women beneficiaries: 63%

Percentage of youth beneficiaries: 30%

Percentage of male beneficiaries: 7%

4.) I.A.A INTRODUCTION.

Integrated Agricultural Association (I.A.A) is a development and humanitarian women led non-profit organization which aims to ensure food security, disease prevention, and social justice by promoting social, economic, and environmental well-being. 75% of its key decision makers and beneficiaries are women and young people. Through a grassroots approach, the IAA helps women and young people access sustainable economic opportunities while empowering women-owned producer cooperatives. It educates Cameroonians on the importance of organic farming, food awareness, gender equality, and reproductive health. The IAA's key programs are in sustainable agriculture, environmental protection and management, education, health, human rights, women's empowerment, and water and sanitation.

5.) BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIVITIES.

In 2022, Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA) focused its activities on food security, Veganism, Climate change, health and well-being for young people, environmental justice and economic empowerment of women and other vulnerable groups at the grassroots level.

Through collaboration with community structures and leaders, and in partnership with different donor institutions and international partners, Integrated Agricultural Association held climate workshops with women farmers and providing nature based education to children of all ages to empower them on climate mitigation and adaptation measures, aimed at stopping deforestation, use of synthetic fertilizer

in agriculture, campaigning against illegal logging, fossil fuel and advocating for indigenous and women's land rights, while promoting regenerative agriculture.

Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA) raised awareness of non-communicable disease (NCD) risk factors by leading mobile NCD therapy interventions and health ambassador training workshops to build the capacity of community health workers. IAA worked with community structures, health units, municipal councils, community health workers, health providers and health academic institutions to reduce the impact of NCDs and their risk factors among young people.

Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA) nursed 10,000 agroforestry trees, provided rural households with seed inputs including improved maize and vegetables, hoes and compost to boost production. IAA conducted training of trainers and smallholder farmer training on sustainable vegetable gardening, regenerative agriculture, bio-fertilizer (compost production), with the aim to increase local availability of safe, quality vegetables to enhance food security as well as achieving nutritional balance through diversification of diets of the poorest segments of the vulnerable populations.

Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA) raised awareness of the importance of veganism by leading vegan outreach campaigns and advocating for animal rights. Households and restaurants were trained on veganism and how to prepare African vegan dishes, and pets vaccinated against rabies. The organization also sensitized the community on animal rights while advocating for inclusion of vegan dishes on restaurants menus to reduce public demand for meat.

Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA) provided training to youths on agro-pastoral entrepreneurship and business management by empowering both in and out of school rural youths with Vocational Skills in Micro Entrepreneurship, Market gardening/Poultry production, to keep them out of current dangers (HIV/AIDS, Early pregnancy, child/early marriage, recruitment into armed groups), Breaking the Yoke of vulnerability and become responsible citizens of today and tomorrow in the society. IAA mobilized young people and children to raise their voices of child right women's land right issues to inspire change and environmental justice.

Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA) rehabilitated 15km community pipe born water and dug 2 community wells to provide safe and clean drinking water, which improved economic, social and health of women and their children in the beneficiary communities.

6.) IMPACTS.

By using integrated and participatory approach, Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA) has built the capacity of over 5000 smallholder farmers to respond to climate shocks in the food sector. Each household will generate at least \$100 per fruit tree per year, and 10,000 trees will absorb 210,000kgs of CO₂ per year when fully grown. Significant reduction in NCDs amongst young people and health and well-being for over 3000 people in Bamenda, Kumbo, Foumbot, Fouban and Muyuka, Northwest, West and Southwest regions of Cameroon respectively. Over 3000 jobs created in the agriculture sector, increasing food security for over 25000 people.

7.) CHALLENGES.

While progress has been made throughout 2022, IAA faced some challenges including:

- Lack of financial resources to complete and deliver the two water wells to the communities in Foubot.
- Lack of monitoring tools to effectively track progress and balance resources and impact.
- Lack of technical and financial support to sustain the organization
- Lack of financial instruments to assist smallholder farmers to adapt to climate change and recover losses/damages resulting from weather/climate.
- Lack of digital tools to adapt operations and activities to the digital ecosystem
- Lack of adapted transport means to facilitate team transportation and accelerate program activities.

8.) WAY FORWARD.

Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA) will not only depend on membership funding and grants, but will create a vegetable and honey supply chain to collect and market their produce. This will be a self-sustaining social component which will continuously generate income to sustain the organization. IAA will continue to apply for many grant opportunities while joining networks of like-minded organizations to build strong partnership that would enable us have access to technical and financial support. IAA will step up efforts to organize smallholder farmers into producer and marketing cooperatives and saving/loan groups which will be a local financial backing for farmers without the capacity to obtain loan from banks. IAA will reach out to the international community to request for general, digital and transport support to adapt its activities on the current environment. IAA has been working in West, Northwest, Center and Southwest since it was created in 2017. In the next 1-2 years, IAA will scale up its activities in the East and Adamawa regions of Cameroon to impact millions of people across Cameroon in the coming years.

Integrated Agricultural Association (I.A.A) will form a network of volunteers, interns and supporters and train them on local fund raising strategies, so that they can be versed with developmental and social issues within their local communities and mobilize resources for I.A.A to drive its mission of change successfully with local communities.

9.) AWARD OF RECOGNITION.

In 2022, The Founder and President of Integrated Agricultural Association (IAA); **Dungrila Pascal Mbimenyuy**, received World of Difference Award from The International Alliance for Women, in recognition of his outstanding contribution in making “all the difference in the world” to the economic empowerment of women in Cameroon. Know more about the Award: <https://youtu.be/mOutRqjWPYy>

10.) A WORD FROM IAA DIRECTOR.

It is with great joy and enthusiasm to be doing what we do for our community. We love our work and we celebrate everyone who is part of this incredible mission. I thank our donors, board members, staff, volunteers, supporters and beneficiaries for working with us throughout 2022. You are our heroes because you make the change we seek to happen. Once again, congratulations on being part of our work. I.A.A has prepared this report to share her successes and challenges to the public. We learn much by doing in this work and there is a high possibility of replication and scale-up of its activities. It will be our joy to learn that our activities have been replicated in other areas. We are ready to provide more information on our activities to anyone to use and to assist in field work. We are also open to create partnership with anybody or institution interested in this work. We will gladly welcome support to continue this work in the targeted communities and in other areas. Feel free to contact us for details information. We have periodic training and regular interventions in different areas of development and humanitarian activities across different communities of Cameroon. After executing these activities in 2022, I feel strong, as I have grown in knowledge, skills and experience. I.A.A is ready to learn and do more from its tangible experience.

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