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**PRESENTATION TO PWD OF NWOYA DISTRICT ON
AVAILABLE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT IN
NWOYA DISTRICT**

Presentation outline

- ✓ Parish Development Model
- ✓ Youth Livelihood Program
- ✓ Uganda Women Entrepreneurship Program
- ✓ Disability Grant
- ✓ Social Assistance Grant for Empowerment
- ✓ Local Economic Growth Support (LEGS)
- ✓ Cooperative Model (Partners- GIZ, Farm Africa)
- ✓ Youth Agricultural Entrepreneurship Program
- ✓ Opportunity International
- ✓ National Oilseed Project
- ✓ Uganda National Climate Smart Agriculture Project
- ✓ OWC/Happy Face Holdings Limited/ WALK Initiatives
- ✓ Presidential Regional Skilling Hub
- ✓ GROW Project



Fig above: Group in their main plantation at vegetative stage which needs weeding



Older persons lining up to receive their grant



*Agric
Extension
Officer for a
follow up visit
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PARISH DEVELOPMENT MODEL

This is a strategy by Government of Uganda for fighting poverty and transitioning the 35% Ugandans from subsistence to commercial economy. It started in 2023 where each Parish in the country is receiving **Ugx 100,000,000** as revolving capital for the Parish SACCO annually and each beneficiary gets 1,004,000. The PWD is allocated Ugx 10,000,000 annually in each parish

How to access it when you are a PWD

- Must be Ugandan who is resident of a Parish and active poor
- Must have a National ID
- Join an enterprise group which is registered with the Parish SACCO
- Participate in the enterprise group meetings
- Fill PDM beneficiary application form either under PWD or as a youth, women and elders
- Have access to land



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YOUTH LIKHOOD PROGRAMME(YLP)

How to access them:

- They are demand driven
- Youth group Picks interest form from the CDO in your Sub County
- CDO will sensitize the group on how to fill the form and access the funds
- Sector specialist will help the group in planning and budgeting
- Subcounty team conducts field and desk appraisal
- STPC approves and submission is made to the district
- DTPC and DEC approves
- CAO takes action by approval
- Minimum membership is 5 members in a group



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UGANDA WOMEN ECONOMIC PROGRAM (UWEP)

How to access them:

- They are demand driven
- Women group Picks interest form from the CDO in your Sub County
- CDO will sensitize the group on how to fill the form and access the funds
- Sector specialist will help the group in planning and budgeting
- Subcounty team conducts field and desk appraisal
- STPC approves and submission is made to the district
- DTPC and DEC approves
- CAO takes action
- Minimum membership is 5 members in a group



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DISABILITY GRANT UNDER COMMUNITY BASED DEPARTMENT

How to access:

- They are demand driven
- Disability group Picks interest form from the CDO in your Sub County
- CDO will sensitize you on how to fill the form and access the fund
- Sector specialist will help the group in planning and budgeting
- Subcounty team conducts field and desk appraisal
- STPC approves and submission is made to the district
- DTPC and DEC approves
- CAO takes action
- Minimum membership is 15 members in a group



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SOCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FOR EMPOWERMENT

How to access:

- Must be 80 years and above with a valid NIN
- They are demand driven
- Pick interest form from the CDO in your Sub County
- CDO will sensitize you on and profile you for access
- Subcounty team conducts field and desk appraisal
- STPC approves and submission is made to the district
- DTPC and DEC approves
- CAO takes action



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SPECIAL GRANT FOR THE ELDERLY

How to access:

- They are demand driven
- Pick interest form from the CDO in your Sub County
- CDO will sensitize you on how to fill the form and access
- Sector specialist will help you in planning and budgeting
- Subcounty team conducts field and desk appraisal
- STPC approves and submission is made to the district
- DTPC and DEC approves
- CAO takes action
- Minimum membership is 5 members



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LOCAL ECONOMIC GROWTH SUPPORT (LEGS)

Eligibility criteria:

- Must be a Cooperatives/ farmer Groups/ VSLAs/ SMEs/ I SAVE Group
- Beneficiary/project should be located in Nwoya district
- Should be a formally registered business/SME/ Coop/ VSLA
- Certified Bylaws/Constitution.
- Business Plan approved by the Annual General Meeting (AGM) or Group meetings

- Audited financial statements for at least two years (Cooperatives only)
- Latest annual returns for 1 year filed with Registrar of Companies or cooperatives.
- Approved Maximum liability Certificate by the Registrar of Cooperatives
- Where the borrower has emerged out of either Components A or B, and does not meet the required one-year experience, such entity shall provide evidence of steady cashflows (LPOs, Backing Contracts, Guarantees, Agreements)
- Have clear ownership, management, and governance structure. For Cooperatives, should have a member register.
- Have clearly accessible physical office(s) within the area of operation with clear target community, (Specific to Cooperatives)
- Should employ at least 2 employees with at least 2 years' experience
- Activity should be financially viable and Compliant
- The economic activity/ project should be in line with the agricultural value chain – production, processing, marketing, bulking and storage, packaging & branding and transportation

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COOPERATIVE MODEL

A co-operative is an autonomous association of persons united voluntarily to meet their common economic, social and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly owned and democratically controlled enterprise. **Values:** Co-operatives are based on the values of **self-help, democracy, equality, equity and solidarity**. Co-operators believe in ethical values of **honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others**. **This model is currently being promoted by Govt.**

Opportunity in Cooperatives (Why Co-operatives)

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- Cooperatives are open to any willing person, exit and entry is free and voluntary
- Cooperatives are most accessible and strategic institutions through which people can be mobilized to improve their well-being.
- Through cooperatives people can meet their economic and social needs through a jointly owned and democratically controlled enterprise". Their profit motive is tempered with social responsibility.
- Cooperatives offer the most readily available opportunity by which the great masses of people can exercise and enjoy corporate rights.

- Poverty is combated through job creation. Cooperatives do create jobs in both production and services sectors in which they can claim large shares.
- It is through cooperatives that people can secure sufficient scale to gain more, through collective bargaining, than they would as individuals. Imagine the benefits residents who, under the condominium

REGIONAL PRESIDENTIAL SKILLING HUB

H.E Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, the President of Uganda has established Regional Presidential Skilling Hub for every sub region. The one for Acholi is located in Oding, Unyama Sub County, Gulu district. The annual intake for Nwoya district is 24 students (4 are PWDs) and applications are obtained from the office of the chairperson LCV in May every year. You must be a Ugandan youth of any age and educational level. There is equal opportunity without any discrimination. The training takes six months and a certificate of DIT is awarded to successful candidates. You must be a Ugandan youth, no qualification is required, complete the forms in time and you should have a NIN, carry out medical test.

The opportunities for skilling are:

- Building and Construction
- Tailoring,
- Saloon and hairdressing,
- Carpentry and joinery,
- Welding and metal fabrication,
- Mechanic
- Baking and confectionery,



OWC/ WALK INITIATIVES/ HAPPY FACE HOLDINGS

Operation Wealth creation is an initiative of Government of Uganda to fight poverty and create wealth for all Ugandans. The Chief Coordinator of Operations wealth Creation is Gen Salim Saleh who is also the Senior Presidential Adviser on Defense and Security. Col Olak Alfred is the District Coordinator for OWC for Nwoya District -0772 319862. You can access as a farmers group or individually and should have access to land for farming.

Opportunities under OWC

- Agro inputs like seeds and seedlings for coffee, bananas, maize etc
- Agro machinery such as tractors, value addition machines etc
- Contract farming
- Linkages to finance from financial institutions like UDB, MSC and Commercial banks
- Market linkages through the WALK initiatives especially targeting South Sudan with a market potential of @ billion USD annually
- The food to target are mostly fresh foods; Vegetables, Okra, cassava, watermelons, tomatoes, cabbages, onions etc

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UGANDA NATIONAL CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURAL TRANSFORMATION PROJECT

The Uganda Climate Smart Agricultural Transformation Project is a six-year project (now in third year-2025) being implemented by MAAIF through National Agriculture Research Organization, National Animal Genetics Resource Centre and Data Bank and Uganda National Meteorological Authority. The objective of the project is to increase production and productivity, market access and resilient of the 7 selected value chains to enhance response to an eligible crisis or emergencies. The project supports the identification, development, incentivize adoption of climate smart agriculture technologies and management practices that contribute to climate adaptation of agricultural value chains to sustainably increase productivity of household incomes while enhancing resilience to climate shocks. Its targeting 173 farmers along the 7 selected value chains in all the 11 LLGs. Its being implemented in all the LLGs through the Sub County Extension Officers. You visit the office of the Sub County extension officer for more information

Opportunities are in growing the following selected value chains/ number of targeted farmers:

- Maize (65 Farmers)
- Soybean (60 Farmers)
- Beef/ Livestock (9 Farmers)
- Black Soldier Flies (9 Farmers)
- Dairy (3 Farmers)
- Apiculture (21 Farmers)
- Aquaculture (6 Farmers)

GROW PROJECT

The Ministry of Gender Labor and Social Development (MGLSD) and the Private Sector Foundation Uganda (PSFU) with support from the World Bank (WB) are implementing the Generating Growth Opportunities and Productivity of Women Enterprises (GROW) project. **GROW Financing Facility (GFF)**, these funds are to be disbursed through selected Financial Institutions (PFIs) which include Commercial Banks, Micro Finance Institutions and SACCOs as **GROW LOANS**.

Loan Requirements.

- The borrower must be a woman entrepreneur or a 51% majority woman-owned company.
- Financing will be for new loans only (not refinancing or Top-ups)
- **Grace Periods:** For projects that require grace periods, the financial institutions shall consider these on a case-by-case basis.

GROW BONUS: Beneficiaries who make loan payments in time get awarded a grant of up to 5% of the loan principal and up to 10% is applicable for the 3 selected groups below: (Terms & Conditions's Apply).

- i. Persons with Disabilities
- ii. Selected Vulnerable Groups are the Batwa, Ik, Tepeth and Benet.
- iii. Beneficiaries drawn from the poverty-stricken sub-regions of Karamoja and Busoga-Bukedi.

Participating bank in Nwoya: Post Bank

Detailed requirements for Unsecured facilities

GRBIZ (Loans under other non-agricultural sectors) and GRAGR (Loans under Agriculture sector)

- Unsecured – up to 5 million
- Unsecured facilities tenors not to exceed 8 months.
- Guarantors shall not have non-performing loans
- Personal guarantee of group executive members
- Borrowers eligible for the unsecured facility must belong to a registered group with evidence of group activity (regular meeting, saving, loan repayment)
- Evidence of income generating activity to repay loan.
- Business age – Not less than 24 months

Detailed requirements for Secured facilities

GRBIZ (Loans under other non-agricultural sectors) and GRAGR (Loans under Agriculture sector)

- Secured – Above 5million
- The maximum tenor for the secured loans shall not exceed 24 months subject to the purpose and cashflows of the borrower.
- Collateral with sufficient cover as guided by the CreditPolicy.
- Personal guarantee of directors or individual entities as per credit recommendation.
- Evidence of income generating activity to repay loan.
- Business age – Not less than 24 months



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