COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT BASIC SOCIAL SERVICES PROJECT (ACCESS)

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

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<th>Wage employment</th>
<th>Food security</th>
<th>Financial inclusion</th>
<th>Self-employment</th>
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<td>Market access</td>
<td>Social services</td>
<td>Diversification</td>
<td>Women's Empowerment</td>
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<td>Environmental Management</td>
<td>Productivity</td>
<td>Social Inclusion</td>
<td>Resilience</td>
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PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE (DESCRIPTION)
The ACCESS safety nets program is basically composed of a basic unconditional cash transfer and labor-intensive public works. The cash transfer intervention is intended to increase household income over a sustained period (24 months) while the public works program seeks to provide a predictable additional transfer during the lean season to encourage beneficiary households to avoid negative coping strategies.

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- **Transfers**
- **Coaching**
- **Business Capital**
- **Financial Services Facilitation**
- **Market Links**
- **Skills Training**
- **Natural Resource Management and/or Climate Change Adaptation**

AVERAGE PROGRAM DURATION FOR PROGRAM BENEFICIARIES

- Under one year
- Between one and three years
- More than three years

DO PARTICIPANTS ACCESS COMPONENTS IN A SPECIFIC SEQUENCE?

- YES
- NO

DIGITIZATION

- Components delivered digitally

PARTICIPANT PROFILE

- **Targeted Poverty Groups**
  - Poor
  - Extreme poor
  - Ultra-poor

- **Priority Vulnerable Groups**

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Poverty status

PARTICIPANT IDENTIFICATION METHODS

- Geographic targeting
- Community-based targeting
- Proxy Means Test
- Government social registry

COUNTRY INFORMATION

- **Country**: Benin
- **Region**: Sub-Saharan Africa

LEAD IMPLEMENTING AGENCY

Secretariat for Decentralized Community Driven Services, under oversight of Ministry of Decentralization and Local Government.

START DATE: 09/01/2018
END DATE: 06/01/2022

PRIMARY ENTRY POINT: Social Safety Nets

P-CODE (WB PROGRAMS): P163560
GLOBAL PRACTICE (WB PROGRAMS): Social Protection & Jobs

LENDING CATEGORY (WB ONLY): IDA
FCV COUNTRY (WB FY20 LIST): No
TOTAL POPULATION (MILLION): 10.58
POVERTY HEADCOUNT (NPL): 40.10%
POVERTY HEADCOUNT ($1.90/DAY PPP2011): 49.15%
POVERTY HEADCOUNT (MPI): 72.52%

NO. ECONOMIC INCLUSION PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY: 2
NO. BENEFICIARIES (DIRECT & INDIRECT) OF ECONOMIC INCLUSION PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTRY: 114,180
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### Program Coverage

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<th>Direct Beneficiaries</th>
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<td>Direct</td>
<td>18,000</td>
<td>93,420</td>
<td>51-75%</td>
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<td>Percentage of country population</td>
<td>0.88%</td>
<td>Area/s</td>
<td>2.20%</td>
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<td>Percentage of country population under the poverty line</td>
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<td>Rural</td>
<td>Urban</td>
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<td>Geographic coverage</td>
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<td>Peri-urban</td>
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### Institutional Arrangements

#### Organizations Involved in Implementation
- National/central government
- Regional/district government
- Local/municipal government
- Nongovernmental organization
- Community
- Financial Service Provider
- World Bank
- Multilateral organization (not WB)
- Bilateral organization
- Private sector organization

#### Providing Financing

### Community Engagement

#### Components Delivered Through Community
- Business capital
- Skills Training
- Coaching
- Financial services facilitation
- Market Links

#### Community Structures Leveraged for Program Delivery
- Informal community groups
- Formal community groups
- Formalized producer organizations
- Local governance group

**Does the Program Create/Strengthen Community Structures/Groups?**
- Yes
- No

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DNA: Does Not Apply; FY: Fiscal Year; FCV: Fragility, Conflict, and Violence; MPI: Multidimensional Poverty Index; NPL: National Poverty Line; N/A: Not available; WB: World Bank

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