

About us

Vi Agroforestry is a Swedish development organisation fighting poverty and climate change together. We work in Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania and Rwanda, promoting sustainable agricultural land management and empowering smallholder farmer families and their organisations. Our work contributes to reaching the UN Sustainable Development Goals.











Agroforestry - our cornerstone

The cornerstone of our work is teaching agroforestry – a system of growing trees alongside crops and livestock keeping. Farmer families who use agroforestry get better yields and incomes, improve their food and nutrition security, become more aware of gender equality and increase their resilience to the effects of climate change. By shifting to agroforestry, farmers also help fight climate change, restore agricultural land, and increase biodiversity.

Working with and for farmers

Vi Agroforestry targets smallholder farmer families living in poverty, especially women and youth who are members or potential members of democratic farmers' organisations in areas vulnerable to climate change in Sub-Saharan Africa. We work closely with local farmers' organizations, mainly District Farmers' Associations (DFAs) and Cooperative Unions. These are member-based organisations providing services like access to advisory services, farm inputs, marketing and financial services to their members.

Partners like these implement and sustain our projects. In turn, we provide our partner organisations with knowledge, resources and process facilitation so that they can be strong and stable and serve small-scale farmers even better.

Our vision is a sustainable environment that enables women and men living in poverty to improve their lives.

WHERE WE WORK IN UGANDA

Vi Agroforestry's country office is in Kampala. We work with local partners in:

- the Greater Masaka district
- Greater Mpigi (Gomba and Butambala)
- the Wakiso district
- the Eastern region (the Bugiri and Mayuge districts)
- the West Nile region (the Moyo, Obongi, Adjumani and Arua districts)
- Western Uganda (the Mbarara, Mitooma, Ntungamo, Ibanda, Sheema and Bushenyi districts)

VI AGROFORESTRY'S FOCUS AREAS:

- Sustainable agriculture based on agroforestry

 for climate change adaptation & mitigation
- Economic security through agricultural value chains and financial services
- Systems and governance
 - for strong farmers' organisations
- Gender equality and empowerment
 of women, children and youth
- Communication, fundraising and resource mobilisation – securing funds for our work
- Advocacy for our focus areas

OUR PROJECTS IN UGANDA

Currently, we have four ongoing projects and one overarching programme in Uganda.

We support youth to find jobs that help communities be more sustainable, we empower women to fight deforestation, we train families in refugee settlements and nearby communities in how to meet their needs for food and firewood from own gardens, and we help children at school learn about environmental issues:



Green Livelihoods for Youth (GLY) helps create jobs for young women and men in sustainable beekeeping and solar energy businesses. The youth also learn how to engage in decision-making.



Green Schools for Better Learning organises 12,000 pupils in 25 schools into environmental clubs where they grow school gardens and learn about environmental issues.



Women Empowerment in Sustainable Land Management (WESLAM) empowers women in Uganda to fight deforestation and land degradation through agroforestry and sustainable agriculture.



The Project for Resilience and Empowerment of refugees and their host communities in Partnership (PREP) helps families access water and sanitation, build better stoves, grow food, and plant trees for fuel and fodder.

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