

LIBERIA'S FOREST DEPENDENT COMMUNITIES

Strengthening climate resilience through mobile cash transfers, resilient livelihoods and sustainable community-based forest management

VILLAGE SAVING & LOAN ASSOCIATIONS (VSLAs)



FORMATION & LEADERSHIP

SESSION

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A Village Savings and Loan Association (VSLA) is a group of 10 - 25 people who save together and take small loans from those savings.

The activities of a VSLA run in 'cycles' of up to 52 weeks or 1 year, after which the savings and interests are shared.



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The VSLA has a five-person Management Committee, comprising of a Chairperson, Record-keeper, Box-keeper and two Money-counters. The committee is elected for one cycle. VSLAs develop a Constitution.



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Every member has an equal voice in the election of a Management Committee and the development of a constitution.

Each member has one vote in electing the Management Committee and developing the Constitution.

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The first cycle of a VSLA is a training and supervision cycle lasting 6 to 9 months, but ideally up to 12 months.

During the first cycle, the VSLA meets weekly or every two weeks.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS...

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS



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