

NEW FORESTS PROJECT – AUGUST 2012 UPDATE

Small grants

Last April and May we awarded a total of ten small grants to local organizations seeking funding for the purchase of materials to set up reforestation projects and to provide training to local

Women from the Lemnyang Farming Group in Cameroon dancing to express happiness.

people on reforestation and agroforestry. Five grants were awarded for the purchase of equipment in African countries, including Kenya, Nigeria, Zimbabwe and Cameroon. The are being used to set up tree nurseries, one indigenous tree seed bank, a community agroforestry orchard and an agroforestry demonstration plot.

Funds for training were allocated to organizations in the following countries: Sierra Leone, Tanzania, DR Congo, Kenya and Guinea. All individual reports are expected to be submitted by the end of August and a final report will be developed after that.

Haiti

Our Moringa project in Haiti distributed 2000 seedlings in April to farmers and local leaders of Port Margot who participated in the Moringa training earlier in the year. NFP is now working to secure funds to expand the project to two other localities, Duvivier and Pardieu. This would include setting up nurseries, doing trainings and distributing seedlings after the trainings.



Distribution of Moringa seedlings in Port Margot

Seed Orchard

The seed orchard we have helped fund in Cameroon is doing extremely well. Tabangmua Danisius from FOECONS recently wrote to us "I will like to thank you and the whole New Forets Project for this orchard has earned or created another open door for us. It is the first of its kind and through that project, ANAFOR (National Agency for Forest Development) has awarded us a contract to create councils forests for 6 councils in the 6 Divisions of the south west region".

Seed Shipments

Our second shipment of the year was mailed out in May. Over twenty seven kilograms of seeds were sent to organizations in Haiti, Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania and The Gambia. So far this year, sixty two kilograms of seeds have been mailed to beneficiaries.



Youths receiving NFP seeds and caring for school trees in Zimbabwe-Zimconserve

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