# LOCAL DEVELOPMENT

GUIDING COMMUNITIES
TO EMPOWER THEMSELVES,
BEGIN DRIVING CHANGE AT THE
LOCAL LEVEL AND TAKE CONTROL
OF THEIR FUTURE.



## ONE OF THE MOST RENOWNED

CANADIAN ORGANIZATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, HAS BEEN WORKING IN AFRICA, THE AMERICAS AND ASIA

**SINCE 1958.** 



## REALITY



ALL AROUND THE WORLD TODAY, CENTRALIZATION
OF POWER AND UNEQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF RESOURCES
HAVE DRIVEN MILLIONS OF PEOPLE INTO POVERTY AND
DEPRIVED THEM OF OPPORTUNITY.

## REACTION



CECI believes that the key to improving quality of life for these women, men and children is to decentralize political and administrative structures, strengthen individual and organizational capacities, and put local development initiatives into place.

THE ULTIMATE
GOAL IS TO
PROMOTE
ACTIVE PARTICIPATION AND
COORDINATION
BETWEEN
ELECTED
OFFICIALS,
CIVIL SOCIETY,
THE PRIVATE
SECTOR AND
EMPLOYEES
OF THE STATE

This type of climate would help communities clearly identify their problems and decide together how best to expand social and economic initiatives for local prosperity.

Each of these actions is rooted in the desire to protect the environment, promote inclusive, active, and equitable participation of women, and enable women to take control of their own income.



"Since the training, I have felt better able to lead any commune. I attended a number of training sessions that taught me how to manage and create projects using a transparent and participative process. This year, I was able to do this with two projects funded by a UN program."



Jonathan Chéranord, Gros-Morne, Haiti

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### IMMEDIATE RESULTS

Functional improvements in local institutions and organizations on a national scale.

### RESULT

Local and equitable access to services, infrastructure development, growth of social economy opportunities, and job creation.

## **RESULT**

Sustainable improvement of social, human, economic and environmental capital. For more than five decades, CECI has been carrying out social economy and solidarity projects. This approach connects the community's economic interests to the principles of social solidarity. In addition to working to meet people's immediate needs, we also strive to create long-term, sustainable, and equitable wealth.



## **ADVANCEMENT**

#### **PRWANDA**

#### THE PROGRAM TO SUPPORT LOCAL GOVER-NANCE IN RURAL AREAS

for six years with an \$11 million budget has led to improved skills within political and civil organizations. These recent



accomplishments foster an environment that is ripe for creating crucial social infrastructures and fruitful economic projects.

#### **MILLION**











COMMUNITIES HAVE BENEFITED FROM IMPROVED ACCESS TO DRINKING WATER, SOCIAL HOUSING, EDUCATION, AND HEALTH SERVICES. POVERTY RATES HAVE DROPPED FROM 57% TO 38% IN FOUR YEARS AND MALNUTRITION HAS PLUMMETED 38%.

#### **9** NEPAL

#### SAHAKARYA [WORKING TOGETHER TO BUILD SELF-RELIANT COMMUNITIES]

is a \$9.5 million project rolled out during a time when Nepal was undergoing democratic revitalization in remote mountain



from increased inclusion in the political process and respect for their rights.

communities. The

people in those

areas benefitted

**MILLION** 

#### **PHAITI**

#### THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

carried out over six years with a \$20 million budget is part of the Haitian government's decentralization plan. This large local governance initiative helped



communities improve their capacities to analyze and take charge of their social, education, health and sanitation problems.

**MILLION** 

### 280,000

#### **PEOPLE IN 9 YEARS**

BENEFITED FROM IMPROVED SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CONDI-TIONS, PARTICULARLY IN TERMS OF ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE SERVICES FOR WOMEN AND MARGINALIZED SOCIAL GROUPS.

## 200,000

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

BENEFITED FROM VARIOUS FORMS OF SUPPORT THAT BUILT THEIR PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED THEIR INCOME.