Nigeria: CABEN Farm, Archdiocese of Benin City

LOAN DETAILS

LOAN AMOUNT \$72,000

INITIAL INVESTMENT 11/2019

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

ENTERPRISES Aquiculture - smoked catfish

USE OF LOAN

- Purchase of gas smoking kilns
- Purchase of sealing machines
- Purchase of a generator
- Construction of 30 new ponds
- Construction of a processing house
- Construction of a warehouse
- Construction of 5 boreholes

INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Highly capable project leader with 10 years of experience
- Secured contracts for 100% of expected production
- Well capitalized diocese with strong support from the Archbishop, who has already committed ~\$70,000 to the project and has pledged a portion of the annual Ordinary Subsidy as collateral

CABEN FARM

Location: Benin City, Nigeria

Size: 72 acres





Project leader -Father Stephen Dumbiri



Stephanie Omere holds a smoked catfish packaged by the farm



Mathew Eguowu leans against a pond with Fr. Stephen in the background

IMPACT



SHARED PROSPERITY

- The project will create at least 25 new jobs in the community
- The farm will offer training for 12 youths in fish farming and for 10 widows in agribusiness



RESILIENCE / LAUDATO SI'

- Smoking fish with gas instead of charcoal
- Solar-powered boreholes
- Providing **fish waste** to local farmers for use **as organic manure**
- Planting 200 trees annually



FOOD SECURITY

Improving **protein availability**and **nutrition** in local schools and
communities



STRENGTHENED CHURCH ENTITIES

- Profits will be used to construct classrooms in rural areas
- 30 scholarships will be provided annually to children who cannot afford education
- Farm supports rural poor in the area



MISSIO INVEST ADVISORY & SUPPORT

 Missio Invest advised the farm to use gas rather than charcoal to smoke its fish, avoiding the deforestation impact of charcoal

