



The Ambassador's Special Self-Help Fund (SSH) is a program through which the United States awards grants (typically ranging from \$1,000 to \$8,000) to directly finance socio-economic micro-projects initiated by associations, cooperatives, and village committees to improve social welfare.

**The SSH program finances activities in the following sectors:**

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- Education
- Health
- Social services
- Youth
- Commercial (micro and small business)
- Ecotourism / Community tourism
- Environment / Conservation
- Agriculture
- Animal husbandry

**The SSH program CANNOT finance the following activities:**

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- Purely cultural, military, or religious
- Purchase of land
- Large-scale construction
- Salaries
- Rent
- Pesticides
- Explosives

**The SSH Program generally does NOT purchase the following items:**

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- Office supplies
- Computers / Scanners / Printers

To apply, simply fill out the attached form. Please keep this first page for your reference. Drop your project at the gate of the Embassy of the United States of America in Gabon or at the Voice of America gate in Sao Tome and Principe. The form can also be sent send it by mail to the address below:

**Bilateral Assistance Coordinator**  
**United States Embassy in Gabon / Sao Tome and Principe**  
**B.P. 4000, Libreville GABON**  
Tel: (+241) 76-20-03 Ext. 7221, Fax: (+241) 01-45-1178  
Email: librevilleassistance@state.gov

*\*\*The deadline for submissions is April 30, 2015.\*\**

*\*\*Please remember to photocopy all of your documents before submission.\*\**

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THE AMBASSADOR'S SPECIAL SELF-HELP PROGRAM (SSH) - 2015

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE ORGANIZATION**

<b>Name, address, telephone, email and website of the Organization</b>	
<b>Type of Organization</b> <i>[Association, Cooperative, Small business...]</i>	
<b>Date that the Organization was created?</b> <b>Is the Organization legally recognized?</b>	
<b>Number of members in your Organization</b>	
<b>Does the organization produce activity and/or financial reports?</b> [If so, please provide a copy of the most recent report(s)]	
<b>Name of the Project leader</b>	
<b>Contact information for the project leader</b> (telephone number, email address, etc.)	

**INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROJECT**

<b>Project Title</b>		
<b>Location of the project</b> [Provide Names of Province and Village]		
<b>Duration of the project</b>		
<b>Global cost of the Project</b>		
<b>What is the Principle Activity of the project?</b>		
<b>Amount of funding solicited from the US Embassy</b>		
<b>What will funds from the Embassy purchase?</b> *[Please include a <i>separate detailed budget</i> for the project as well as pro forma invoices for previewed purchases with Embassy funding]*		
<b>What will the Organization contribute to the budget?</b> [Financial and/or in-kind. If in-kind, provide details]		
<b>Number of people who will directly and indirectly benefit from the project</b>	DIRECT	INDIRECT
<b>Has the Organization ever received any other funding?</b> [If so, please state the project, donor, date, and amount]		

**ADDITIONAL PROJECT INFORMATION**

*(Please use additional pages if necessary)*

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What is the *Global Objective* of the project?

What are the *Problems* that will be addressed by the project?

What are the *Activities* of the project and how they will address the problems?

Describe how your organization plans to *Sustain* the activity or activities of this project over the long term:

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*Please provide two names of people based in the location of the project who can be contacted in the case of a site visit.*

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Telephone number</b>
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**Signature du responsable du projet et date :**

**\*\*PLEASE PROVIDE A MAP / SKETCH OF THE LOCATION OF THE PROJECT WITH THIS APPLICATION\*\***