



Embassy of the United States, Mozambique

INTEREST IN PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS IN MOZAMBIQUE

The Government of the United States of America is interested in engaging with partners from the public, private, and civil sectors in Mozambique to address common challenges and achieve mutually beneficial results. We want to work together with businesses, civil society, and Mozambican institutions to create prosperity and change lives in a sustainable way. There is significant overlap between business interests and expertise and the public good, which present important opportunities to collaborate. For example, a healthy and educated workforce is good for both business and communities. Protecting biodiversity encourages the growth of tourism. Improved agricultural productivity reduces poverty and helps new markets grow and thrive. The potential for productive partnerships is enormous.

Guiding Principles:

Partnerships may take many forms and involve many parties. We will focus on partnerships with companies that are on the forefront of thinking about how to do well by doing good – companies that understand that they do not operate in a social vacuum and that by helping to develop Mozambique they are also helping their bottom line.

A strong partnership will have:

- Strategic alignment with our goals and clear development results
- Strategic alignment with partner's goals and expertise – i.e. clear business sense
- Sustainability beyond the initial investment period
- Leveraged resources – a minimum of one-to-one leverage with our resources
- Innovative approaches or scaling up proven models
- Transformative results

The United States can play a number of roles in promoting partnerships, including convening stakeholders, co-funding joint projects, or advocating for reform or investment in strategic areas.

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Opportunities for Partnership:

Opportunities abound in many areas. The following “menu” shows where we have particular interest in partnering with the private sector. It is not exhaustive though reflective of our overarching goals.

Mobile Solutions: Supporting innovation to increase linkages and provide new opportunities; for example, improving linkages between patients and health care workers, between farmers and inputs/services/buyers/markets, financial inclusion, literacy, etc.

Agriculture: Linking smallholder farmers to input markets and buyers to drive poverty reduction and improve food security; sustainable, market-driven models of providing extension services, inputs and finance to farmers. <http://www.feedthefuture.gov/country/mozambique>.

Education: Scaling up proven early grade reading and school management models, with a focus on quality of education and reaching children in grades 1-3 in Nampula and Zambezia. Supporting programming and resources at American Cultural Center Martin Luther King Jr. in Maputo, the Rosa Parks American Corner in Beira and the Thurgood Marshall American Corner in Chimoio, all of which provide platforms for reaching Mozambican youth.

Workforce Preparedness: Market-driven models to improve Mozambique’s workforce, with a special focus on women, youth, and the agribusiness sector. Another area of special interest is increasing access to quality vocational education services for orphans and vulnerable children.

Health: Strengthening health and community systems to deliver health, nutrition and social services, increase the coverage of high impact health and nutrition services, and increase the adoption of positive health and nutrition behaviors.

HIV/AIDS: Strengthening health systems, increasing coverage and the adoption of healthy behaviors. Support for community-based or workplace HIV prevention, treatment, and care, as well as health promotion activities. Expand voluntary medical male circumcision services for workers and communities.

Malaria: Support for indoor residual spraying or distribution of insecticide treated bed nets for malaria prevention in targeted districts.

Nutrition: Community-based nutrition education activities; increasing access to and consumption of diverse and quality food; improving nutrition and key hygiene behaviors, especially among pregnant and lactating women and children under two years.

Biodiversity and Climate Change: Innovative solutions to address a range of serious environmental challenges from adaptation to climate change in coastal urban centers to rampant wildlife trafficking and loss of natural resources and protected areas. Let’s work together to ensure that Mozambique’s unique resources are available for the next generation.

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