

### U.S. Embassy 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Self Help Fair Draws more than 2500 guests

More than 2500 people visited the 2012 U.S. Embassy Self Help Fair on March 30 – April 1. Guests were able to shop from more than 50 vendors, visit clinics on family planning, food security and other important development topics, and enjoy the culinary, fashion and entrepreneurship competitions new to this year's fair.

Prospective university students received guidance on studying in the U.S. and children visited story hour. High school girls had the chance to learn traditional Togolese art forms like batik and basket weaving. 80 people were tested for HIV throughout the weekend. Thousands of biodegradable plastic bags and reusable bags were used instead of environmentally unfriendly plastic bags. Hundreds of U.S. Embassy partners contributed to making the fair a success for visitors and thousands of Togolese heard the fair broadcasted live on Nana FM throughout the weekend.

Most importantly, U.S. Embassy Self Help grantees, past and present, benefited from a weekend of networking opportunities and training provided from all the development clinics at the fair.



Opening Ceremony



Participants



Clean Cookstoves



Clean Cookstoves Clinic



Culinary Competition



Cultural Entertainment



Embassy Grant Info



Participants



Batik Workshop



Food Security & Nutrition



Fulbright Association



Entrepreneurship Competition



Waste Management Clinic



Reusable Shopping Bags



Family Planning Session



HIV Testing



Fashion Competition



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Basket Weaving Clinic



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