



VOLUNTEER REPORT FORMAT

To be submitted to CRS at the end of volunteer assignment and shared with the Host

1.1 Assignment information: UG61

- a) Volunteer Name: Bob Albrecht
- b) Host Organization: Dokolo ACE
- c) Assignment: Grain
- d) Dates of Assignment: Nov 10 – Dec 2
- e) Number of days worked 13

1.2.1 Objective 1 in your SOW

Post-harvest processes such as maturity indices, drying, storage, quality control and assurance, control of storage pests

a) Progress with the objective

Training was provided to attendees covering all of the above

b) Expected impacts/results

By the next harvest, quality of maize should improve

c) Recommendations¹

Trainers should teach and demonstrate Proper maize production methods.

1.2.2 Objective 2 in your SOW

Marketing of the maize looking specifically at sorting, grading, contracting the middleman on sales agreement, transport costing and warehousing

a) Progress with the objective

Some districts have community warehouses with trained managers. Marketing is accomplished by telephone. A moisture tester was demonstrated along with screens and measuring tools.

b) Expected impacts/results

By the next harvest quality of grain offered for sale should improve.

c) Recommendations

Trainers will demonstrate quality testing and show how the quality of grain will help to increase the price received to farmers in their locality.

1.2.3 Objective 3 in your SOW

. Basic understanding of how field infestations of insects and molds contribute to storage losses; aflatoxin development in the field and in storage, and how this can be minimized

a) Progress with the objective

Participants were told how infected grains can hinder health of humans, and how mold in storage can be prevented.

b) Expected impacts/results

Higher quality of maize will be available after next harvest.

¹ **Note:** Only make not more than 6 recommendations. The most useful recommendations for hosts are ones that they can implement themselves with minimal expense. For example, a cooperative might change its financial reporting procedures or hold more regular meetings of its board. Broad recommendations on tax or credit reform, changes in government policy, or investment in large-scale equipment, are usually not within the host organization's reach.

c) Recommendations,

Trainers will instruct farmers on proper harvesting times and to sort maize when putting it into storage in order to prevent mold from spreading

1.3 Action Plan

Recommendation	Specific Action	Responsible person	By when
1. Train farmers in proper planting procedure	Trainers will set up training schedules and teach farmers.	A coop board member specifically appointed to oversee each district	Feb 25 2016
2. Train farmers on how to control weeds, insects and disease	As above	See list of board members	Feb 25, 2016
3. Trainers will instruct farmers on proper harvesting times and to sort maize when putting it into storage in order to prevent mold from spreading, and control insects and vermin	As above		May 15, 2016
Responsible persons by district			
Agwata/Adou	Obel Lawrence	Dokolo town council	Celemenoa Amen
Amwoma	Ekola Sylvia	Batta	Ekou Benard
Dokolo	Mwanika charles	Kamgai, Adekmo	Enipou Denis

1.4 Number of people Assisted

- a) Through formal training
- b) Through direct technical assistance: 101
- c) Out of these above, number of host staffs 6
- d) Training/assistance by field GRAIN PRODUCTION

Category	Total	Males	Females
Members/ owners	95	65	30
Employees	6	5	1
Clients/ Suppliers			
Family Members			
Total	101	70	31

1.5 Gender



- a) What gender roles did you recognize in your host community? Did these roles play a part in your assignment?

How? From what I could determine, there are no gender issues in this coop,

- b) How might CRS or the host organization improve opportunities for the women in this host or host community?

Treat them equally and provide both with all the information they can use.

1.6 Value of volunteer contribution in **\$ 1,412.5**

- a. Hours volunteer spent preparing for assignment 24
b. Estimated value of all material contributions volunteer contributed to host during assignment
2.50 for one hammer

1.7 Value of hosts' contribution in **\$ 802.2**

- a) Meals **\$ 417.51**
b) Transportation: \$ 0
c) Lodging: \$ 0
d) Translation: **\$ 250.50**
e) Other (Specify): Stationary—**\$ 29.82**, Farmer Mobilization – **\$ 44.73**, Training venues- **\$ 59.64**

1.8 Host Profile Data:

Did you obtain any data that supplements or corrects the data in the existing host information as detailed in the SOW? Please list it.

No

1.9 Recommendations for CRS:

Provide training in Warehouse management and warehouse receipt programs

Provide training in adding value and business start-up (Business planning)

Simplify report system to eliminate the redundancy in the present system.

1.10 Press Release

NOTHING!!!

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE