

2016 PROGRESS IN NUMBERS



This infographic demonstrates the scale achieved by the end of 2016 and how Cocoa Life is making progress in three key cocoa origin countries: Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire and Indonesia. Cocoa Life monitors the below output indicators under five focus areas. These are interventions we put in place with our partners. Cocoa Life routinely collects monitoring data from our partners as part of the ongoing review of program performance at the local level, so we can apply learnings to improve program outcomes in the future.



FARMING

We mapped almost 115,000 hectares of cocoa farms. This is critical, as it helps us measure farm productivity more accurately and understand farmers' proximity to protected forest areas, so we can take action.



COMMUNITY

All Community Action Plans (CAPs) are owned by the community. We supported the activation of 854 CAPs and ensured these were included in the public development plans to help secure resources. 434 communities have already completed one or more of their CAP projects.



YOUTH

Beyond our critical child protection interventions, we trained 6,414 youth on cocoa-related enterprises and created opportunities for them to work in nurseries and provide services to farmers.



LIVELIHOODS

Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLAs) have proven to be a real success in providing access to finance and improving financial literacy. We established 1,208 VSLAs with 22,367 community members participating, of which nearly 80% are women. Members of VSLAs use the funds for a broad range of investments, start-up capital for new businesses, rehabilitating cocoa farms, children's school fees and hiring labor.



ENVIRONMENT

Increasing cocoa farming communities' resilience to climate change is urgent. We have trained 34,744 community members on Good Environmental Practices to conserve natural ecosystems and provide viable environments and farmland for future generations.

