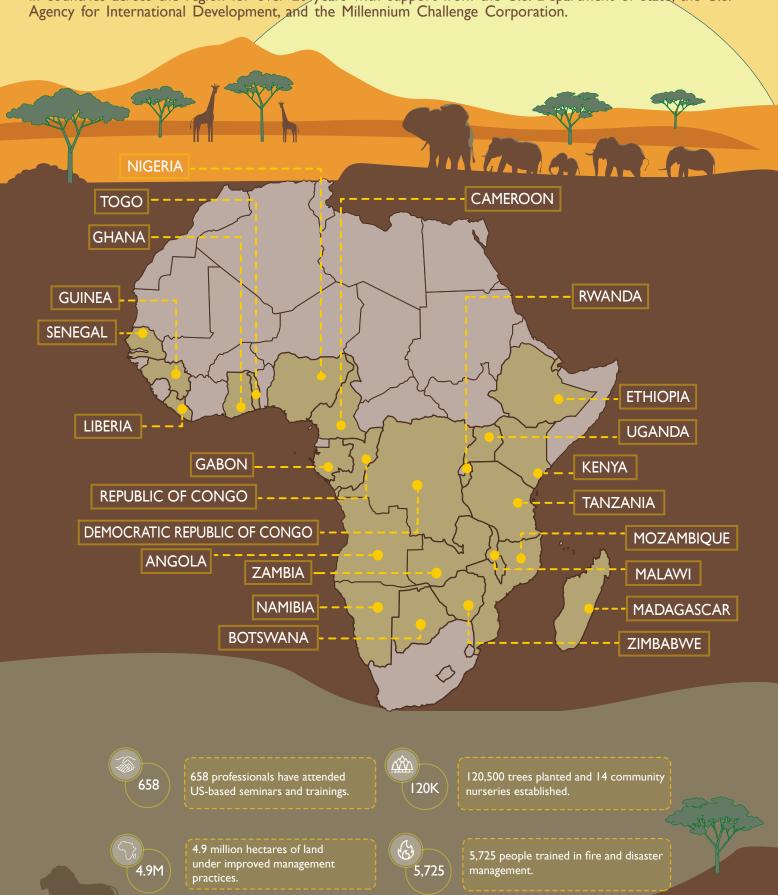
U.S. FOREST SERVICE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS



U.S. Forest Service programs in sub-Saharan Africa focus on delivering high quality natural resource management programs to improve lives, landscapes, and biodiversity in the region. Through strong partnerships with excellent organizations, the Forest Service has provided direct, on-the-ground technical support and exchange opportunities in countries across the region for over 20 years with support from the U.S. Department of State, the U.S.











26 people from ministries in **Central Africa** are obtaining advanced degrees.



428 people from the region participated in US-based seminars.



Trained over 300 logging enforcement officials to combat illegal logging in **South and Central Africa**.



BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION



200,000 hectares of national forest better managed and 150 miles of central forest reserve boundaries restored in **Uganda**.



240,000 hectares of wildlife habitat are better managed in **Malawi**.



CLIMATE CHANGE AND FOOD SECURITY



Established 20 climate change clubs in **Ghana** that reach 1,200 students and trained 200 teachers.



7 resident climate change advisors support 7 ministries across the continent.



Over 200 government officials, university professors, and technical partners trained in terrestrial carbon accounting, forest inventory methodologies, and forest monitoring in **Central Africa**.



WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT



Supported establishment of a woman-run NGO in **Ghana.**



Trained and equipped the first all-female community wildfire brigade in **Guinea's** forest region.



Supported a women's leadership program for 30 clean energy professionals in **Ethiopia.**



COMMUNITY FORESTRY



150 community members trained in land use mapping, management and monitoring in **East Africa**.



Delivered training to 600 people to design land use manuals, mapping, and management plans in **Central Africa**.



Supported the establishment of 39 community forests across **Guinea**, **Sierra Leone**, **and Cote d'Ivoire** in areas of high biodiversity.



In **Liberia** and **Tanzania**, applied simplified, community-level tools for forest inventory, monitoring, and management planning.



FIRE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT



5,725 people trained in 174 fire and disaster management courses across southern and eastern Africa.



Fire management plans developed for large protected areas in **Zambia**, **Ethiopia**, and **Rwanda** to better protect I million hectares of land.

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