

# Haiti Local Enterprise and Value Chain Enhancement (LEVE) Project



U.S. Government Development Corridors in Haiti



Construction  
Apparel & Textile

Agribusiness

## Haiti Statistics

**Population:** 9.99 million (estimated 2014)

**Unemployment:** 40.6% (estimated 2010)

- Shortage of skilled laborers
- Approximately 78% are living on less than \$2/day

## Local Enterprise and Value Chain Enhancement (LEVE) project

1. Value chain enhancement
  - a. Working in 3 sectors: Construction, Apparel & Textile, and Agribusiness
  - b. Conducted in-depth assessment to select high-value value chains for upgrading
  - c. Working through MSMEs, as lead firms, who will drive upgrading strategy
2. Workforce development
  - a. Conducted assessment and met with sector partners to select the technical and vocational education institutions most appropriate for the value chains selected
  - b. Supporting direct linkages to the market, ensuring an end market demand approach
  - c. Supporting curriculum upgrading, and new course development, to support the upgrades anticipated in the selected value chains
3. LEVE's definition of vulnerable groups:
  - a. Women and girls, out-of-school youth (and youth, in general), the disabled, earthquake-affected internally displaced persons (IDPs), orphans and vulnerable children (OVC), and people living with HIV/AIDS (PLHA) targeted under other USAID-funded programs