



A.CO.D got into contact with the «Ten Dollar Club» in July 2007 to look for assistance feasibility to the women's cooperative of Shea butter production located in the rural commune of Siby, in the republic of Mali. In fact this young cooperative of women is supported by the A.CO.D Non Government Organization and other partners since it creation in July 2006. Its production and selling activities was an incredible success to date. Its quick activities growth has consequently created many types of capacity building needs as a new organization. Among these needs is the extension of the production and marketing facilities, the training of the leaders of the cooperative.

The Ten Dollars Club has decided in September 2007, to give a grant of 1,683,915 Francs CFA to the cooperative as its participation to the infrastructures facilities development program, to build a selling shop.

The achievement of the project intended to fulfil the following objectives:

- To offer a nice and agreeable space to the cooperative clients who get their supply directly from the cooperative shop;
- To attract more clients, by showing a better presentation of the products. For your information, 90% of the clients are from abroad all around the world.
- To increase the selling at the level of the Siby Karitea house.

The final cost of the project is estimated to 1, 789,000 Francs CFA due to the inflation of the building materials costs.

The impact of the project is already obvious in term of the visits of the clients, and we are for sure convinced that the selling will be multiplied by three in the coming year.

The women are very satisfied by the project and are very grateful to the Ten Dollars Club and deeply believed that only the solidarity between people from all around the world can improve the living conditions of many women like then in the world.