

# One stove saves trees, hundreds save forests.

## Community project in Burkina Faso

The continuous degradation of natural resources in the Central-West region of Burkina Faso is leading to increased household poverty and food insecurity. Burkina Faso heavily relies on forest fuels as the primary source of energy. This puts significant pressure on local forests, which are disappearing. By distributing more efficient cookstoves, you help to avoid unnecessary tree cutting and a decrease in pulmonary and ocular diseases caused by smoke from traditional cookstoves.



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## Improved cookstoves

This project promotes the distribution of efficient cookstoves designed around the traditional three-stone structure, using significantly less wood — cutting household consumption by more than half. This helps preserve local forests and their biodiversity. Women in rural areas are trained to build, use, and maintain the stoves themselves using local materials, with additional education on hygiene and the health and climate risks of traditional cooking methods.

*Did you know ? In Burkina Faso, households cook on traditional three-stone stoves, which symbolize the pillars of marital unity.*



## Health and well-being

The F3PA stove offers additional secondary benefits, such as reducing harmful smoke in the homes of local rural villages. Users experience fewer respiratory problems and eye infections. Children are particularly vulnerable to respiratory illnesses, which can have dramatic long-term effects on their health.

Women are typically responsible for collecting firewood, which they must balance with other household tasks. With less time spent on firewood collection, they can invest in new income-generating activities and spend time with their families. The stoves also provide significant savings for families, as the portion of the budget allocated to fuel becomes less significant.

# Carbon credits accredited by Gold Standard.

This cookstove project is Gold Standard certified. The Gold Standard Label was established in 2003 by WWF and other international NGOs to ensure projects that reduce carbon emissions, feature the highest levels of environmental integrity and also contribute to sustainable development.

## Your contribution makes a difference

This project not only brings environmental benefits but also delivers socio-economic advantages such as employment opportunities, economic growth, and community development. By promoting sustainable practices and social inclusivity, we strive for benefits for both people and the planet, leaving a positive and lasting impact for generations to come.

