## **ABOUT STRATEGIC HUMANITARIAN SERVICES (SHUMAS)-CAMEROON**

Strategic Humanitarian Services (SHUMAS) - Cameroon is a not for profit Development Nongovernmental Organization with its head office situated in Mile six Nkwen Bamenda.

## **GENERAL OBJECTIVE**

SHUMAS focuses on Integrated Sustainable Rural Development with the aim to improve lives, reduce poverty and empower people to realize the fullest of their potentials without compromising posterity from meeting theirs.

## **OUR APPROACH/AXES OF INTERVENTION**



SHUMAS head office

Our approach is participatory; we work hand in gloves with our target groups, so that they can gain full ownership of the project after intervention. We strongly believe that isolated actions can not lead to any meaningful development. In consequence, we adopt an integrated sustainable rural development intervention strategy, which is realised through a series of programs. These include inter alia;-

1)Agriculture and women empowerment Program. We have trained and graduated 102 farming community leaders and unemployed youths on long course programs and above 4000 practising farmers on short programs from the SHUMAS integrated organic farming training and Demonstration centre. Under this program we have also supported 52 women groups with an average membership of 30 women with micro credits



SHUMAS BIOFARM centre





**3)Education program,** SHUMAS has constructed and equipped more than 500 classrooms, provided about 200 toilets with hand washing facilities attached in schools constructed, instituted a functional school environmental program, and provided potable water in all schools she has constructed

- 4) Environmental management and protection program, We have replaced 1.3 million Eucalyptus tree with Nitrogen fixing trees and water shed trees on farm lands and water catchments respectively, We have also instituted a functional school environmental program in more than 50 schools and Train and promote the use renewable energy at the SHUMAS Biofarm centre
- **6) Volunteering and internship program,** SHUMAS has provided voluntary opportunities to more than 400 national and international volunteers

2) Health, water and sanitation program, SHUMAS has sponsored the training 21 nurses for rural health centres, rehabilitated and equipped 10health centres and provided potable to 50 rural community health centres



GBSS Mbeukong constructed by SHUMAS

**5)** Social welfare program; SHUMAS has trained above 130 people with special needs on varying skills adaptable to their disabilities and provided them with start-up materials to set up their workshops

