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A black and white photograph of a man in a field with a herd of cattle. The man is in the foreground, looking slightly to the right. He has a serious expression and is wearing a light-colored, button-down shirt. In the background, there is a herd of cattle with long horns, some of which are dark and some are light. The background is filled with trees and bushes. The number "5000" is overlaid in large white font on the right side of the image.

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Community

Two batches





75%



Transport

Livelihood



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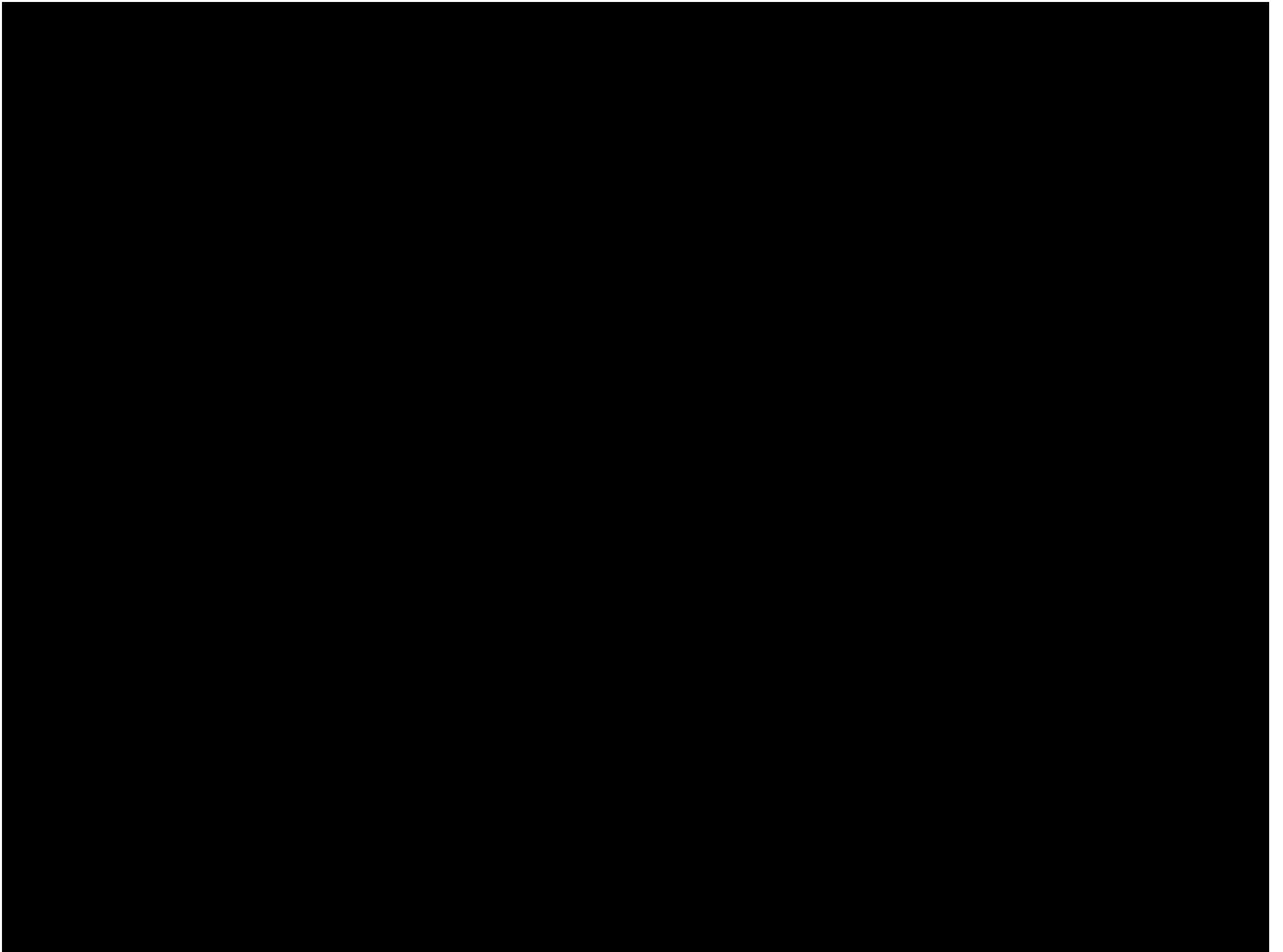
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milk dryer





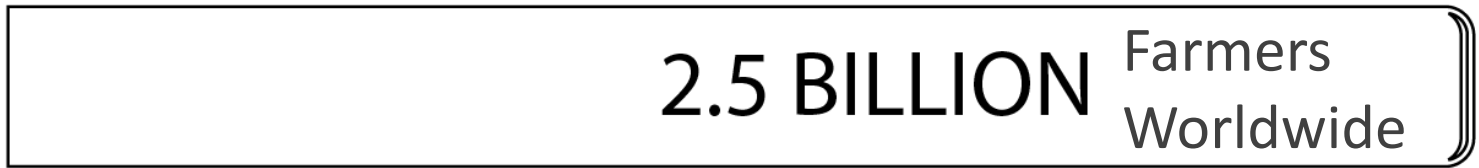


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The scraper needs additional iterations

Testing in tropical environments

POPULATION





8K – 5M USD

Large scale options are

too expensive

Locals rely on

commercial imports

Our small scale approach **empowers** rural communities

and **stimulates** local economies

Average dairy farmers make **3.27 USD/day**

Our product would allow them to make **4.10 USD/day**
(26 % increase)

Our product pays for itself in **2 months**

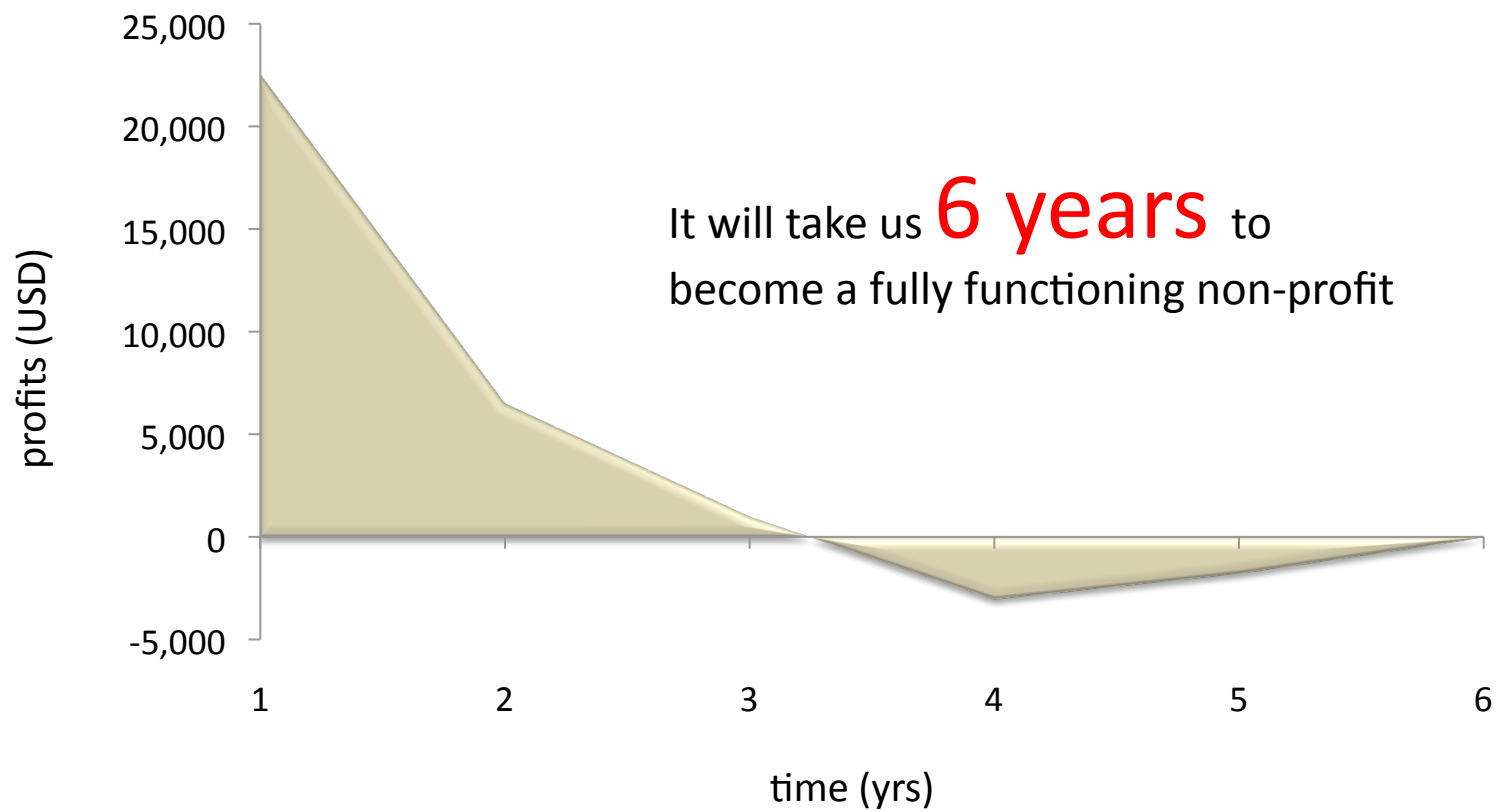
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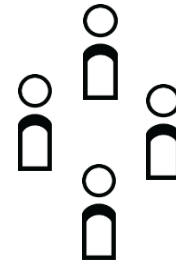
200 USD to manufacture

Selling for **40 USD**/unit

Fixed donations **45,000 USD**/yr

Projected Subsidized Profit





Potential NGO Partners

Guyanese Rural Women's Network

Habitat for Humanity

St. Francis Community Developers

A photograph of a man with grey hair, wearing a yellow straw hat and a white t-shirt with the word "EXTRA" on it. He is smiling broadly and standing in a field with several cows. The background shows a lush green landscape with trees and hills. The word "Impact" is overlaid in white text on the right side of the image.

Impact

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Selling price for GAIA milk is **less than 1/2**
of the price for store bought powdered milk

Our product would process **~2 gallons** of milk/hour

Typical Guyanese farmer has **6-8 cows**

Price/gallon [GSD(USD)]:

Liquid milk

413.99 (2.07)

Nestle powdered milk

902.69 (4.51)

GAIA milk

361.08 (1.81)

Pressurized Drum

maintains a constant 135 °C temperature by regulating internal steam pressure and also acts as our drying surface

Funnel Collector

directs the milk powder into a collecting unit and shields it from the outside environment

Rocket Stove

made of concrete, provides efficient heat transfer from the fire to the drum

Drip Applicator

uses a gravity fed system to apply a thin, even film of milk to the drum surface

Steel Scraper

is adjustable and spring loaded to maintain an ideal contact angle and cleanly scrape off the milk powder

Pedal Drive System

provides an easy, manual way to rotate the drum and power the drying process

