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Zoe Koiler is a member of her community's farmers group in Montserrado County, Liberia, and currently participates in a USAID voucher program.

The concept of the voucher program is to both assist rural farmers by subsidizing agriculture inputs and link them to critical agro-input dealers. Agro inputs such as fertilizer and pesticides are scarce in Liberia, especially in rural areas.

After piloting a voucher program for over 1,000 rice farmers in FY13, the program (dubbed USAID FED) offered vouchers to 360 vegetable farmers in 20 communities.

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