Savaia is on the south west on the island of Upolu, in the district of Lefaga/Faleaseela.
Acknowledgement:

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Some highlights of sweet achievements
For more information – google Savaia Village

GEF Small Grants Programme
GEF Core funds & NZAid Pacific Environment funded project

Savaia Marine Conservation Project

Background
Savaia marine resources were threatened by over-fishing and the harvesting practices (coral crushing and dynamiting) used in the past years. The coastal community was also very prone to high surges and king tides which threatened their coastal beach with sand erosion. Other stressor such as sand extraction and sedimentation from land affected the conservation of the village marine life.

Project Objectives and Key Activities
To improve the coastal and marine environment of the Savaia village from the effects of cyclones, destructive harvesting, overfishing and land use activities. This is an

Project No: WSM/OP3/01/05/35 (15,364 USD)
WSM/NZD/OP4/Yr-3/07/71 (19,730 USD)
Grantee: Alii ma Faipule Savaia Lefaga
Location: Savaia Lefaga
SGP Contribution: 35,094 USD
Cash Co-Financing: 3,831 USD
In-Kind Co-Financing: 40,000 USD
Project Duration: 2005-2008 (Core) & 2008-2012
How could we build a workable system?

Governing Bodies

- Council of Matai
- Council of Tama’ita’i
- Council of Aumaga

Trust
Ownership
Inclusive governance
Be faithful to God
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<td>The land and the ocean gives you wealth Savaia (<em>O le Eleele ma le Sami, o lou tofi Savaia, ete manuia ai</em>)</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>Make it sustain for a better Savaia! (<em>Ia fa’aleleia ma fa’atumauina au atina’e Savaia, ete manuia ai</em>)</td>
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<td>2008</td>
<td>Develop now and be blessed tomorrow (<em>Galue pea manū o ao, mo lou lumana’i ā taeao</em>)</td>
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<td>Cultivate with God demolishes poverty (<em>Ia atia’e fa’atasi ma le Atua, e tineia ai le ola fālōlō</em>)</td>
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<td>Don’t ever be discourage, keep trying! (<em>Aua le ola Faavaivai</em>)</td>
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<td>God bless Savaia (<em>Ia alofa mai le Atua ia Savaia</em>)</td>
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Way forward to **ensure no one is left behind**???

**Live smarter** so that Savaians:

- become healthy and know they have families,
- have some form of education to manage what surround them,
- are Samoans in the village of Savaia,
- Look after and warrant the environment is a master of everyone.

AND ...........................................
Savaia Popln 386 (211m/175f) This is 9.5% of District popln of 4,059 (2094m/1965f)

Land area
≈ 1,196 (9.32%) acres to 12,830 acres of district