

PRODEL — Municipal Neighbourhood Upgrading and Micro-Credit Fund in Nicaragua

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Quality score: 86/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Since 1994, Nicaragua's PRODEL fund has combined small grants for neighbourhood infrastructure with housing and micro-enterprise credit across founding municipalities, reaching 38,000 low-income families and financing 260 community projects, per an independent Sida evaluation.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	3/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	3/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	3/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[Programa de Desarrollo Local \(PRODEL\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[Sida — Programa de Desarrollo Local \(PRODEL\) en Nicaragua: una evaluación](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[IADB — Participation and Sustainability in Social Projects: The Experience of PRODEL in Nicaragua](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

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