Microfinance Financing for Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Microfinance & Financial Inclusion	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the principles of WASH financing for low-income communities.
2. Analyze microfinance models supporting WASH initiatives.
3. Design credit products for water connections, sanitation facilities, and hygiene products.
4. Develop strategies for community-based WASH financing programs.
5. Build partnerships with NGOs, government agencies, and private WASH providers.
6. Apply impact measurement tools for WASH microfinance programs.
7. Strengthen digital solutions for loan disbursement and monitoring.
8. Identify regulatory and compliance requirements in WASH financing.
9. Implement risk mitigation strategies for WASH loan portfolios.
10. Use data analytics to optimize client targeting and product design.
11. Promote financial literacy and hygiene awareness among clients.
12. Enhance institutional capacity for managing WASH microfinance programs.
13. Develop scalable and sustainable WASH financing models.

Organizational benefits

- Expanded access to safe water, sanitation, and hygiene solutions for low-income households
- Improved public health and community well-being
- Enhanced institutional reputation as a socially responsible lender
- Diversified microfinance portfolio with WASH-focused products
- Stronger partnerships with NGOs, government, and private sector WASH providers
- Improved loan repayment performance through structured financing programs
- Enhanced staff capacity for WASH product design and management
- Greater operational efficiency through digital tools and monitoring
- Strengthened donor and investor reporting frameworks
- Increased sustainability and scalability of WASH finance operations

Target audience

1. Microfinance practitioners
2. WASH program managers
3. NGO and development agency staff
4. Donors and investors in WASH projects
5. Government WASH officers
6. Private WASH service providers
7. Financial inclusion consultants
8. MFI operational and risk managers

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Course Modules

Module 1: Understanding WASH microfinance

- Global trends in WASH financing
- Challenges in accessing water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Role of MFIs in promoting WASH access
- Assessing community WASH needs
- Identifying market gaps in WASH finance
- Case Study: Community water microloans in Kenya

Module 2: Designing microfinance products for water access

- Loans for water connections
- Financing household and community water systems
- Flexible repayment structures
- Risk assessment for water loan portfolios
- Digital loan disbursement solutions
- Case Study: Water microfinance project in India

Module 3: Designing microfinance products for sanitation

- Household and community toilet loans
- Financing school sanitation facilities
- Flexible repayment and microleasing models
- Risk assessment for sanitation portfolios
- Integration with hygiene promotion programs
- Case Study: Sanitation microfinance program in Bangladesh

Module 4: Financing hygiene solutions

- Microloans for hygiene products and handwashing facilities
- Promoting behavior change through finance-linked programs
- Integrating health awareness and microfinance
- Risk mitigation for hygiene-focused loans
- Monitoring repayment and impact
- Case Study: Handwashing microloans in Africa

Module 5: Partnerships and stakeholder engagement

- Collaborating with NGOs and WASH-focused development agencies
- Engaging government WASH programs
- Working with private water and sanitation providers
- Structuring partnership agreements
- Blended finance and donor support
- Case Study: Public-private WASH financing partnership

Module 6: Digital solutions for WASH finance

- Digital client onboarding and KYC
- Mobile payments for WASH loans
- Portfolio management dashboards
- Data analytics for client targeting and monitoring
- Enhancing efficiency and transparency through technology
- Case Study: Mobile-enabled WASH finance platform in Tanzania

Module 7: Risk management in WASH microfinance

- Credit risk assessment for WASH loans
- Portfolio diversification strategies
- Monitoring repayment performance
- Fraud detection and prevention
- Loan restructuring and early warning systems
- Case Study: Risk mitigation in WASH portfolios in Asia

Module 8: Monitoring, evaluation, and impact measurement

- Key performance indicators for WASH finance programs
- Measuring social, health, and environmental outcomes
- Loan portfolio performance analysis

- Donor and investor reporting frameworks
- Outcome tracking and evaluation tools
- Case Study: WASH microfinance impact evaluation in Africa

Module 9: Regulatory compliance and legal frameworks

- Legal and regulatory requirements for WASH microfinance
- Licensing and reporting obligations
- Consumer protection considerations
- Compliance monitoring tools
- Risk mitigation through legal frameworks
- Case Study: Regulatory compliance for WASH microfinance in Africa

Module 10: Financial literacy and hygiene education

- Integrating financial literacy into WASH programs
- Promoting hygiene awareness among borrowers
- Client education strategies for repayment and behavior change
- Monitoring outcomes of educational interventions
- Using digital platforms for financial literacy delivery
- Case Study: Hygiene education through microfinance in Asia

Module 11: Community engagement and demand assessment

- Conducting WASH needs assessments
- Community mobilization strategies
- Participatory approaches for program design
- Client segmentation and targeting
- Monitoring adoption rates and satisfaction
- Case Study: Community-driven WASH microfinance in Latin America

Module 12: Scaling WASH finance programs

- Institutional capacity building for WASH programs
- Designing scalable WASH microfinance models
- Replication strategies across regions
- Governance structures for scaling operations
- Long-term planning and sustainability
- Case Study: Scalable community water and sanitation microfinance program

Module 13: Integrating climate and environmental considerations

- Linking WASH finance with environmental sustainability
- Climate resilience in water and sanitation projects
- Promoting eco-friendly technologies
- Risk assessment for environmental impacts
- Monitoring sustainability outcomes
- Case Study: Climate-smart WASH microfinance program

Module 14: Reporting and accountability for donors and investors

- Donor reporting requirements
- Financial and social performance reporting
- Transparent documentation for accountability
- Leveraging data for reporting and evaluation
- Aligning reporting with ESG frameworks
- Case Study: WASH microfinance donor reporting in Africa

Module 15: Sustainability and long-term impact

- Ensuring financial and social sustainability of WASH programs
- Strategic planning for continued program growth
- Revenue diversification and partnerships
- Governance structures supporting sustainability
- Measuring long-term social and environmental outcomes
- Case Study: Sustainable WASH microfinance program in Latin America

Training methodology

- Expert-led presentations
- Group discussions and collaborative learning
- Practical product design and financial modeling workshops
- Case study analysis
- Real-world problem-solving exercises
- Final project: Designing a WASH microfinance program for low-income communities

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

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Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

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Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Online	$2,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$9,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000

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