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Office of Transition Initiatives – Afghanistan

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

In July 2009, USAID's Office of Transition Initiatives (OTI) launched a country program in Afghanistan to support the U.S. Government's stabilization and reconstruction initiatives. A new part of this effort is to bring stability to violence-prone areas of the country. The initial objective of the Afghanistan Stabilization Initiative (ASI) is to address instability by creating conditions that build confidence and trust between the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan (GIROA) and local Afghan communities. In close coordination with the International Security Assistance Force, ASI aims to improve the economic and social environment in Afghanistan through small community-enhancement projects. In addition, ASI will support the GIROA by providing increased public access to information about its social, economic, and political activities and policies.

FAST FACTS

Start Date: July 2009
Budget: FY09: \$1 million in TI funds; \$20 million in ESF
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