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**Dear Newsletter Recipients,**

As the landscape of development changes, so must development strategies. According to USAID's Global Development Alliance (GDA), "In the 1970s, 70 percent of resource flows from the United States to the developing world were from official development assistance and 30 percent were private. Today, 85 percent of resource flows from the United States to the developing world are private and 15 percent are public." The GDA is USAID's commitment to change the way we do business by forging public-private alliances to stimulate economic growth, develop workforces, address health and environmental issues, and expand access to education and technology. Faith and community-based organizations play an important role in these public/private partnerships, bringing to the table existing knowledge of customs and local trust and buy-in from communities they serve.

This week I'm happy to showcase some innovative partnerships that demonstrate both sustainability and compassion. I encourage you and your organizations to think creatively about how you may contribute to a public-private partnership through USAID or on your own!

In addition Barney Singer, Vice President and Director of CAP, has graciously agreed to share about the AED's Capable Partners Program. "The CAP is a USAID Leader with Associates Cooperative Agreement to strengthen the organization and technical capacities and sustainability of NGOs, CBOs, FBOs, networks, and intermediate support organizations (ISOs)."

Warmest regards,

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## ***Home-based Care Significantly Reduces Neonatal Mortality in Developing Countries***

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** - A new study from Bangladesh published June 6 in *The Lancet*, a U.K. medical journal, shows that a home-care strategy reduced neonatal mortality by 34 percent. This study adds to the growing body of evidence that home- and community-based strategies can significantly reduce neonatal mortality by improving newborn care, including identification and management of newborns' illnesses outside of a health-care facility. For the 60 million children born each year without a trained birth attendant, community-based prevention, identification of sick newborns, and care strategies are necessary to reduce mortality within the first month of life.

"We are excited by the results of this study, which documents that community health workers-individuals with limited education and training-can help reduce neonatal mortality by teaching families proper neonatal care and working with them to manage life threatening illness," said Dr. Kent R. Hill, Assistant Administrator for Global Health at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), which co-funded the study with Save the Children's Saving Newborn Lives program through a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Through public-private partnership, community health workers (CHWs) were trained to promote a package of antenatal and postpartum interventions during home visits in rural areas with high neonatal mortality rates. The study team, also known as *Projahnmo* (generation), evaluated the impact of the intervention using a cluster-randomized controlled trial design. The encouraging findings are particularly relevant where health systems are strained, neonatal mortality is high, and access to care is low.

The study was heralded in a companion *Lancet* editorial by Don Thea of Boston University and Shamim Qazi of the World Health Organization. These experts noted that because this scientifically rigorous large study was implemented using existing non profits and government health service delivery programs, the findings have significant "generalizability and program relevance."

David Oot, Associate Vice-President of the Office of Health at Save the Children/US, noted that "This study is a very significant contribution to the growing body of evidence that life-saving newborn care can be successfully delivered by community health workers-and that it can be done within the context of existing health systems in low-resource settings."

"Based upon the study results, USAID, in partnership with the government of Bangladesh and our development partners, is implementing a large-scale community-based project to improve newborn health in rural areas of Bangladesh," said Sheri-Nouane Johnson, Director, USAID/Bangladesh Office of Population, Health and Nutrition. A Bangladesh Ministry of Health and Family Welfare advisory committee on newborn care is actively considering how the neonatal sepsis management components of the Projahnmo project can be integrated into national programs.

Although worldwide under-five mortality is declining, newborn mortality has not declined as rapidly, with an estimated 4 million annual neonatal deaths globally. Currently half of all births in developing countries occur at home, and poor care practices at home and access to care are significant barriers to reducing newborn mortality. "Scaling up of this evidence-based intervention package could significantly improve access to essential and sick newborn care in developing countries, saving millions of newborn lives every year and taking pressure off of strained health care systems," said Abdullah Baqui, the lead author, an associate professor at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and an adjunct

scientist of International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B).

The *Projahnmo* Study Group included researchers from the International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B), the Bangladesh Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, and non-governmental organizations in Bangladesh, including *Shimantik*, Dhaka Shishu Hospital, and the Institute of Child and Mother Health.

## **Global fund, U.S. okay Nigeria on HIV treatment**

Daily Champion, Nigeria

June 18, 2008

AKOR SYLVESTER, Abuja

An international donor agency, Global Fund and the United States Presidential Emergency Plan for AIDS has revealed that Nigeria was on track in its HIV/AIDS treatment and counseling campaign.

This came after Nigeria surpassed the 50 per cent mark set for the treatment of about 500,000 people living with the dreaded disease by the end of this year.

In the same vein, the federal government has said that it was targeting about 20 million Nigerians to go for testing and know their status before the end of the year.

Stating this at a briefing on the outcome of the 2008 HIV/AIDS implementers' meeting in Abuja, the Director-General of National Agency for the Control of Aids (NACA), Prof. Babatunde Osotimehin said that the Global Fund was quite impressed with Nigeria on the implementation of the Round 5 grant of \$180m, based on the complex nature of the country.

He said, Nigeria was required to scale up treatment for people living with the virus by half of the targeted number of 500,000 before the end of the year.

However, Osotimehin said that Nigeria had surpassed the 50 per cent mark before the end of the year and had achieved sustainable partnership from PEPFAR, USAID, and the World Bank.

According to him, Nigeria has recorded notable progress and commendation from PEPFAR, Global Fund, and other international partners because we have been able to surpass the 50 per cent mark.

Today, we are treating about 269,000 people living with HIV while we have created over 240 testing and treatment centers across the country.

Meanwhile, the federal government has said that it was targeting to get about 20 million Nigerians to know their HIV status before the end of this year.

The National Coordinator, HIV/AIDS Control Program, Federal Ministry of Health, Dr. Henry Akpan, stated that government had already provided funds for the procurement of about 8 million HIV test kits for

the country.

He said this would be accompanied by free testing exercises, reactivation of health care facilities in the communities, training and employment of personnel for specific duties of testing and counseling.

Akpan said with the partnership of other international agencies, the federal government would embark on campaigns for behavioral change of Nigerians on the issue of HIV/AIDS.

## **U.S.' Rice to visit site of Chinese earthquake**

Reuters

Jun 20, 2008

WASHINGTON, - U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice will travel this month to Chengdu, China, the capital of Sichuan province that was struck by a massive earthquake in May, the State Department said on Thursday.

Rice will visit Chengdu on June 29 as part of an Asian trip that will also include stops in the Japanese city of Kyoto, Seoul and Beijing, State Department spokesman Tom Casey said.

In all her Asian stops, she is expected to discuss the status of multilateral talks on reining in North Korea's nuclear program, amid expectations that Pyongyang will soon make a long-overdue declaration of its nuclear activities.

Rice will be the highest-ranking U.S. official to visit Chengdu since the earthquake. Casey said she would express the "condolences of the American people" for the disaster, which killed more than 70,000 people.

She will meet local officials and representatives of aid organizations that have been working there, Casey said.

Speaking at the Council on Foreign Relations later on Thursday, Rice described the response to the earthquake as remarkable and said it showed sparks of desire by the Chinese people "to access and to be able to petition the government."

"(It) showed that China is developing something of a civil society as groups sprung up to try to help," she said, adding that it was also seen "in the insistence that local officials be held responsible for what might have been problems that the earthquake exposed."

"It's hard for me to see how you can, from the top down, govern 1.3 billion people who are becoming more capable, becoming more worldly, becoming more integrated into the international community," Rice said of China's Communist leadership.

"I am a firm believer that in the long run it's not going to be possible to recognize your people's talents and not recognise their rights," she said. Washington has long criticized China's human rights record.

The United States has provided some \$1.5 million in humanitarian aid to China since the quake. Together with Defense Department funds, most of which are spent on transportation and logistics in delivering the aid, the U.S. government has spent over \$3.7 million to help the victims, the U.S. Agency

for International Development said.

Ahead of her trip to Asia, Rice travels early next week to Berlin for an international conference in support of Palestinian civil security and the rule of law, Casey said.

Then Rice flies to Japan for a meeting of foreign ministers from the Group of Eight industrial nations June 26-28. She will be in Seoul on June 28, and visit Chengdu June 29 before flying to Beijing the same day for talks with Chinese Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi. (Additional reporting by Michelle Nichols in New York) (Editing by David Storey and Todd Eastham)

## ***Radiohead Joins USAID/MTV Campaign to Raise Awareness and Help Prevent Human Trafficking***

Press Release: April 2008  
GDA Partner

BANGKOK (April 30, 2008): Radiohead, one of the world's top bands, has joined the MTV EXIT (End Exploitation and Trafficking) campaign, a partnership between the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and MTV to raise awareness about human trafficking. The collaboration takes the Asia MTV EXIT campaign to a global audience, reaching as many as 560 million households worldwide.

"Radiohead is taking MTV EXIT to a new level and expanding the Asia campaign, which is on air, online and on the ground," said Olivier Carduner, USAID's Regional Mission Director for Asia.

As part of this effort, Radiohead is releasing a music video on MTV tomorrow (May 1) to the track All I Need, from its album In Rainbows. Filmed by Oscar-winning cinematographer John Seale ("The English Patient") and award-winning director Steve Rogers, the video depicts a day in the life of both an affluent youngster and a child making shoes in a sweatshop, sending a message that everyone plays a role in trafficking and exploitation.

Radiohead is also inviting anti-trafficking organizations to distribute information about human trafficking at their upcoming concert tour through North America, Europe and Asia. "It is cool that MTV is taking on this issue. The video is a powerful piece, and I hope that the emotion of the song will jump out at people in the context of these images of exploitation," said Radiohead's Thom Yorke.

MTV is looking for innovative ways to present important issues such as human trafficking to its audience, said Bill Roedy, Vice Chairman MTV Networks. "Trafficking is a crime that violates the basic rights of its victims: the rights to freedom, equality, and dignity."

The USAID Regional Development Mission for Asia is working with MTV to raise awareness about the causes and consequences of human trafficking in the region. USAID-funded documentaries Traffic and Sold have been broadcast throughout Asia, are posted on the MTV EXIT website ([www.mtvexit.org](http://www.mtvexit.org)), and are distributed rights-free in DVD format. Plans to take the campaign to rural and urban areas in Asia are underway.

USAID is funding the production of the MTV EXIT films for Asia. Top Asian pop and film stars, including Lucy Liu ("Charlie's Angels," "Ally McBeal"), Rain of South Korea, Tata Young of Thailand, Lara Dutta of India, Christian Bautista of the Philippines and Kris Dayanti of Indonesia have volunteered to narrate the films in their native languages and in English.

The campaign capitalizes on their images and MTV's brand appeal, transforming people's views about trafficking and exploitation and provides a platform for NGOs, governments and law enforcement agencies to prevent trafficking and assist victims.

MTV EXIT television programming is produced rights-free and is free of charge for all broadcasters and organizations. The programming is also available to be streamed and downloaded from [www.mtvexit.org](http://www.mtvexit.org).

For more information on USAID and its programs to combat human trafficking around the world, visit [www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov).

## Capacity-Building Organization

### AED's Capable Partners Program

Many organizations work to assist development NGOs build their capacity. Below is a list of resources to equip NGOs with the tools to strengthen and develop their capacity.

In 2003, the Academy for Educational Development (AED) formed a capacity building program named the Capable Partners Program (CAP). The CAP program is a "Leader With Associates" (LWA) Cooperative Agreement to "strengthen the organizational capacity and sustainability of NGOs, NGO networks, intermediate support organizations (ISOs) and coalitions." CAP is also the Private Voluntary Cooperation's (PVC) technical assistance program that assists and collaborates with USAID missions in the field to strengthen local NGOs in developing countries. PVC provides technical assistance directly and through Mission requests to enhance the performance of community-based NGOs, networks and intermediate service organizations (ISOs), who provide support services to NGOs. It is expected that CAP will also promote greater links between these local organizations and businesses, local governments, and international bodies. Anticipated results include:

- Increased sustainability of NGOs, ISOs, and networks
- Increased promotion and use of high impact approaches by networks, ISOs, and NGOs
- Increased capacity of networks, ISOs, and NGOs to address conflict within their development programming
- Improved enabling environment through key legal, policy, or program recommendation reforms

CAP adapts to models from successful indigenous NGO/ISOs in the past and works to strengthen a range of sectors such as health, environment, education, information technologies, gender, conflict mitigation, business development or civil society. CAP may be used by individual Missions, regional programs, or other operating groups to improve NGO technical and organizational capacity while strengthening partnerships among NGOs, government, business, labor, faith communities and other sectors.

CAP activities include training programs, customized technical assistance, small grants programs and NGO learning resources and tools that advance USAID Missions around the world. "CAP also may support work in any technical sector or across sectors to advance specific NGO strengthening objectives through Associate Awards. For more information on CAP, [click here.](#)

"USAID learned early in its history that faith-based and community-based organizations are on the forefront of meeting human needs around the world and are excellent implementing partners for development programs because of their dedication to results, their ability to reach the grassroots of society, and their capacity to mobilize societies for positive change."

– Terri Hasdorff, Director USAID Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives

## **USAID Helps Bring Eco-Tourism to Uganda**

Press Release: March 2008

GDA Partnership

**Washington, D.C.** - Henrietta Fore, Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), took part in the grand opening of the Uganda's Kaniyo Pabidi Chimp Trekking Facility in Budongo Forest this month. USAID contributed \$300,000 to the public-private partnership with the Ugandan National Forestry Authority, The Walt Disney Company, Jane Goodall Institute and Let's Go Travel. The eco-tourism site includes a new visitor reception center, cabins for tourists, improvements to 20-kilometers of trekking trails, habituation of chimpanzees in the forest for viewing by tourists and improvements to the Busingiro Environmental Education Center.

"Uganda is a country with incredible natural beauty, bio-diversity and tourism potential," said Fore. This eco-tourism facility will generate approximately \$350,000 to \$400,000 per year from trekking and tourist accommodation fees, and is an example of how biodiversity conservation activities can contribute to economic growth, sustainable enterprise development, community participation and revenue sharing, while conserving a threatened great ape, the chimpanzee.

Uganda's State Minister for Environment, Jessica Eriyo said, "The government is fully committed toward conserving natural forests and their bio-diversity to improve prospects for tourism services." The Budongo Forest also provides incentives such as employment and education to the local people living on the forest borders. Other indirect benefits for locals will include the selling of handicraft and foods to the new tourism centre.

U.S. assistance to Uganda focuses on strengthening the conditions for peaceful development in post-conflict northern Uganda; promoting the institutionalization of multi-party democracy; addressing key health threats including malaria and HIV/AIDS; incorporating smallholder farmers into the value chain and protecting biodiversity in the environmentally threatened Albertine Rift and endangered areas of northern Uganda.

Also on hand for the opening was U.S. Ambassador Steven Browning, USAID Assistant Administrator for Africa Kate Almquist and USAID/Uganda Mission Director Margot Ellis.

For more information about USAID and its programs in Uganda, please visit [www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov).

### **Federal Funding Opportunities**

#### **USAID**

**Kazakhstan USAID-Almaty** is seeking applications from all qualified organizations to promote the rights and equal opportunities for people with disabilities (PWDs) in Uzbekistan. As of June 18, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jun 28, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**Thailand USAID-Bangkok** is seeking applications (proposals for funding) from U.S. or non-U.S. non-profit or for-profit nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), public international organizations (PIO or IO), and other non-USG organizations to implement a program to provide support for credible, peaceful and fair suco council and possibly also municipal and national elections and to enhance the capacity of newly-elected suco councils to strengthen citizen participation in village and municipal governance, including local decision-making, information-gathering and -dissemination, as well as conflict prevention

and mitigation in Timor Leste. The authority for the RFA is found in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended. As of June 18, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 11, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**Paraguay USAID-Asuncion** is seeking applications to implement the program Promoting Sustainable Business Initiatives while Conserving Biodiversity by Fighting Poverty in Paraguay. The overall objective of this program is to contribute with the improvement of the economic and social wellbeing of families in and adjacent to significant importance ecological areas in Paraguay (terrestrial or water) through a Global Development Alliance mechanism. The recipient of this award will propose a method for assisting poor farmers and communities in areas of Paraguay through sustainable methods in order to obtain alternative sources of income to stop relying on slash-and-burn farming. To reach this objective, applicants need to closely coordinate with local and national actors. This is important because could influence the achievement of project goals. Given that most important areas for conservation are surrounded by rural communities or extensive production, activities should be developed to periodically monitor the ecological health of the area and the robustness of economic development activities. USAID/Paraguay intends to award up to two Cooperative Agreements pursuant to this RFA. As of June 18, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 16, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**Bangladesh USAID-Dhaka** is seeking applications for a Cooperative Agreement from qualified organizations to implement a program entitled "Actions for Combating Trafficking-in-Person (ACT) Program." Through this award, USAID/Bangladesh seeks to combat human trafficking in Bangladesh through the prevention of trafficking-in-persons, enhancing the protection of the victims and improving victim care, and strengthening the Government of Bangladesh's capacity to prosecute traffickers and trafficking related crimes to help ensure that the rule of law and human security is improved. This ACT project will build upon current efforts in country, including those sponsored by USAID. The scope of the activity will focus mainly on vulnerable populations, in particular but not exclusively on victims and potential victims of trafficking into the sex trade and the prevention of labor migration abuses and human trafficking related to migrant labor. A comprehensive approach that includes Prevention, Protection and Prosecution, the three pillars of ACT activities as defined in the United States Government's (USG) policies related to combating human trafficking, will be addressed in this activity. This activity is expected to last four years and will have a total estimated U.S. Government contribution of approximately \$3.5 million. As of June 18, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 21, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**Brazil USAID-Brasilia** is seeking applications from U.S. NGOs, non-U.S. NGOs and PVOs to implement a three-year program to conserve biodiversity in indigenous areas of the Brazilian Amazon. As of June 11, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 17, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**El Salvador USAID-San Salvador** is seeking applications for an estimated twelve month program aimed at promoting public dialogue directed at reducing political polarization on key economic issues in El Salvador. As of June 11, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 7, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**USAID Regional Development Mission for Asia (RDMA)** based in Thailand USAID-Bangkok is seeking applications from U.S. educational institutions or non-governmental organizations to implement a US-China Clean Energy Partnership program, pursuant to section 634(h) of the Foreign Operations Appropriations Act, 2008. The chosen recipient(s) will be responsible for ensuring achievement of the program goal and objectives to coordination with other regional activities of USAID/RDMA. Funding for this activity is to be allocated over a three-year period. As of June 11, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 17, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**Liberia USAID-Monrovia** is seeking applications from qualified non-governmental organizations to assist the Ministry to Health to Rebuild Basic Health services in Liberia. The integrated activity would partner with the Government of Liberia's efforts to expand the coverage of Basic Package of Health Services, including HIV/AIDS, Maternal and Child Health, Family Planning and Reproductive Health, Improved Environmental Health (e.g. Water Supply, Hygiene and Sanitation), and Control of other infectious Diseases through support to some 105 health facilities, expand community Outreach, and enhanced Behavior Change Communication Program which support and promote healthy behaviors. As of June 11, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 22, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**The United States Agency for International Development (USAID)** in the Dominican Republic is seeking applications from qualified national non-governmental organizations and not-for-profit and for-profit entities (including NGOs, business associations, and universities and academic institutions) to participate in its Batey Community Development project providing development support in publicly owned bateyes. Considering the multi-sectoral scope of the project, the formation of manageable and cost effective consortia of qualified organizations is encouraged. As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 21, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**Kenya USAID-Nairobi** seeks qualified U.S. and non U.S. organizations and institutions, in the form of partnerships or consortia that include Somalia organizations, interested in providing the services described in this solicitation to provide basic Education and Water services while supporting Government institutions and community groups. The integrated activity is expected to improve access to quality education, water and sanitation services. This activity will also furnish an Education advisor to the Transitional Federal Government. As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 21, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**USAID/Vietnam** is currently seeking concept papers from qualified non-governmental organizations capable of designing and implementing model projects that will provide support to people with disabilities in Danang and surrounding areas. Programs and activities could include, but are not limited to enhancing earlier intervention for those who are disabled, providing support to existing rehabilitation clinics and services, expanding access of people with disabilities to essential health and education services, initiating or strengthening community based rehabilitation services and support, improving income generation and employment opportunities, strengthening the capacity of local organizations to provide services, improved community-based information around reducing risk exposure, and surveillance and prevention of disability. As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Dec 04, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**Iraq USAID-Baghdad** is seeking applications from qualified organizations to implement the next phase of the Iraq Community Action Program (CAP III). CAP will promote diverse and representative citizen participation throughout Iraq, will engage and assist local government in articulating and acting on needs identified by communities and will assist innocent victims of military operations. As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is Sep 30, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**Public Private Alliances.** USAID is currently requesting applications for PPAs in Kosovo, Nigeria, India, Indonesia, and other Mission locations. For more information, [click here](#).

**US Agency for International Development** has posted an unrestricted grant announcement seeking partners to meet the critical basic needs of internally displaced people and returnee populations (both old and new caseload) in Kabul Province. To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is June 21, 2008.

**US Agency for International Development** has posted a cooperative agreement for registered U.S. and non-U.S. NGOs, non-profit, and for profit organizations willing to forego profit. The purpose of the Annual Program Statement is to solicit applications for funding. The United States Government, through USAID/Washington and in close collaboration with USAID/Cotonou, USAID/Nairobi, USAID/Pretoria, and USAID/Lusaka, is seeking full applications from prospective partners to implement activities in support of creative and timely responses to the USAID-related components of the Presidential Women's Justice and Empowerment Initiative (WJEI). To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is July 23, 2008.

**Ethiopia USAID-Addis Ababa** has posted an unrestricted cooperative agreement to solicit applications for funding from prospective new partners to support implementation of the United States Government's President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (hereafter referred to as Emergency Plan or also referred to as PEPFAR) in Ethiopia. The United States Government, through USAID/Ethiopia, is seeking, from prospective partners, concept papers to be followed by full applications (if concept papers are selected) to implement activities in support of the Prevention for at Risk Populations in High Prevalence Urban Areas in Ethiopia. The U.S. Government Mission of grants or cooperative agreements (hereafter called Agreements) for a period of no less than one year and no more than three years. Meanwhile, depending on successful implementation, needs and availability of funds, the period of performance could be extended by one or two additional years. To access the announcement as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#). As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is July 31, 2008.

**USAID** has posted a grant notice for conflict mitigation and reconciliation programs (with possible multiple awards). The Office of Conflict Management and Mitigation (DCHA/CMM) within USAID's Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance (DCHA) invites applications from U.S. and non-U.S. non-profit or for-profit non-governmental organizations (NGOs), international organizations (IOs) and other qualified non-U.S. Government (USG) organizations (including faith-based organizations and community based organizations) to carry out activities, under grants or cooperative agreements, that support conflict mitigation and reconciliation programs and activities that bring together individuals of different ethnic, religious or political backgrounds from areas of civil conflict and violence. A program performance period of up to twenty-four (24) months is anticipated for each award -- between \$100,000 and \$600,000 each. As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is August 12, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

**USAID** has posted a grant notice for Public Private Partnerships in Ethiopia. The USAID/Nigeria Economic Growth, Partnership and Private Sector (PPS) Team is strongly committed to building public-private partnerships that mobilize resources, expertise, creative approaches, and technologies that address development issues in Nigeria under the Global Development Alliance (GDA) Annual Program Statement (APS). [Click here](#) to view the entire announcement. As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is September 30, 2008. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

**Nigeria USAID-Abuja** has posted a cooperative agreement for registered Nigerian indigenous organizations, U.S. and non-U.S. non-governmental organizations (NGO), faith-based organizations (FBO), community-based organizations (CBO), foundations, private organizations affiliated with public academic institutions, parastatals, professional organizations, non-profit organizations, and for-profit organizations willing to forego profit. They are looking for proposals to strengthen civil society to combat HIV/AIDS in Nigeria. As of June 6, 2008, the closing date for this announcement is January 31, 2009. For more information as well as contact information for the acquisition specialist, [click here](#).

## **Department of State**

As part of the U.S. Government's (USG's) participation in the **Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate (APP)**, the **Department of State (DOS)** is issuing this Request for Assistance (RFA) seeking proposals from U.S. and Chinese organizations interested in contributing to the Partnership's goals through innovative public-private partnerships. These goals include reducing greenhouse gas emissions; advancing sustainable economic growth; reducing poverty; creating new investment opportunities; building local capacity; and improving economic and energy security. This RFA seeks proposal submissions, from U.S. and Chinese organizations, based on the Concept Papers provided in Attachment B of this RFA. An interested lead grant applicant organization may submit a total of two proposals in response to this RFA, which address the specific issue as noted in the problem statement of a selected Concept Paper. Funding of the selected proposals is totally dependent on, and subject to, availability of Department of State funding for the Asia-Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate. To qualify for DOS funding under this RFA, a submitted proposal must demonstrate that the applicant and any partnering organizations will contribute resources to the proposed program that are at least equal to the level of resources sought from DOS in the grant application. Grants or Cooperative Agreements will be awarded in the range of US\$250,000 - US\$2,000,000. All proposals must be received electronically, NO LATER than 17:00 hours U.S. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on July 11, 2008, at the following electronic address: APP\_US@state.gov. Any submissions received after that time will be deemed invalid. Submissions will not be accepted by mail or courier. For more information, [click here](#).

**Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration** provides assistance to Colombian refugees in the Andean region as well as the first 90 days of emergency assistance to IDPs in Colombia (mid and long-term assistance to IDPs is provided by USAID). Priority countries in the Andean region include Colombia, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Venezuela, and Panama. PRM funding available for these projects generally ranges between \$100,000 and \$750,000. Each project will be funded for a period not to exceed 12 months. Project objectives should therefore be achievable within a 12-month time frame. Proposals must list other sources from which you are seeking or have already obtained funding, such as the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the host government, other US government agencies, and international donors, including funding and in-kind contributions from your own organization. As of June 6, the closing date for this announcement is Jul 10, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).

**For all federal grant notices, visit [grants.gov](#).**

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