



The Center for Faith-Based & Community Initiatives NEWSLETTER

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Letter from the Director

Dear Newsletter Recipients,

Please note that this Thursday, June 23rd, the CFBCI will be hosting a conference call with representatives from USAID's Office of Food for Peace. Please join us to learn more about their [International Food Relief Partnership](#). Detailed call information is included below.

On July 16th, the CFBCI will be hosting a meeting for NGOs working on HIV/AIDS programs. The meeting will be held here in Washington D.C. and will include key HIV/AIDS staff from USAID and the Department of State. Mark your calendar and RSVP with any questions and program areas of interest to fbc@usaid.gov.

Please email us your suggestions and comments about our conference calls and newsletter at fbc@usaid.gov.

Warmest regards,

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The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) provides this newsletter service to further engage and enhance cooperation with the international development community. The listing of events, meetings or organizations in this newsletter do not constitute support or endorsement of any specific ideas, concepts or organizations by the United States Agency for International Development or the United States Government.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Conference Call with USAID's Office of Food for Peace: International Food Relief Partnership Program

Thursday, June 25th
3:00PM to 4:00 PM EDT

Conference ID: 15515958

International / Local Dial-in #:
(816) 650-7866

Participant Dial-In Number(s):
(866) 306-0035

For more than 50 years, USAID's Food for Peace (FFP) program has brought hope and nourishment to the hungry corners of the world. Approximately 3 billion people in 150 countries have benefited directly from our food. The secret of Food for Peace's success lies in the unique combination of American compassion together with the unmatched efficiency of our nation's farmers. To read more, [click here](#).



Call in to find out more about FFP's [International Food Relief Partnership \(IFRP\)](#) and how you can get involved.

****SAVE THE DATE****

Date: July 16, 2009

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. EDT

Location: USAID Headquarters: Washington, DC

RSVP by July 9, 2009 to fbc@usaid.gov

HIV/AIDS Meeting

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As part of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, Opportunity International, through USAID funding, is enabling women in Uganda to provide for children affected by HIV/AIDS.

Janet Korutaro, a widow from Nsike Village in Uganda, belongs to an Opportunity International Trust Bank.

The U.S. government has made the fight against HIV/AIDS a top priority, not only for humanitarian reasons, but because the HIV/AIDS crisis threatens the prosperity, stability, and development of nations around the world. Since the inception of its international HIV/AIDS program in 1986, USAID has contributed more than \$7 billion to fight the pandemic. Today, USAID is a partner in the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), the largest and most comprehensive HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment program in the world.

To learn more about USAID's efforts in HIV/AIDS join us for this meeting and check out their website by [clicking here](#).

Please RSVP for this event by *July 9th* by sending an email with subject line "HIV/AIDS Meeting" to FBCI@USAID.GOV. When sending your RSVP, please specify your interest area is within HIV/AIDS programs and any questions you would like addressed.

Topic area examples:

- Prevention



Janet Korutaro
Nsike Village Trust Bank, Uganda
Source: Opportunity International

- Care
- PEPFAR and Nutrition
- PEPFAR and Gender issues
- Treatment
- Other

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HELPFUL TOOLS & INFORMATION

United We Serve

The White House, in partnership with the Corporation for National and Community Service, has announced an exciting new summer service initiative. In a [video message](#) on June 17, President Obama announced United We Serve, encouraging Americans to create meaningful change in their communities by engaging in service.

United We Serve will engage Americans – young and old, from every background, all across the country – in sustained, meaningful community service from June 22 to September 11, a new National Day of Service and Remembrance. But, of course, the call to service will not end on September 11.

There are many ways to engage in United We Serve. We encourage you to participate this summer by:

Sending a message to your friends and neighbors to direct them to [Serve.gov](#).

Engaging in sustained, outcome-oriented service this summer and taking a leadership role by organizing to solve problems in your community.

Posting volunteer opportunities you create to [Serve.gov](#) so people can get plugged into your efforts, and encouraging any community organizations you work with to post as well.

Telling your service stories at [Serve.gov](#). Throughout the summer the Corporation for National and Community Service will highlight examples of exemplary service. The First Lady has also made engaging the federal workforce in community service a priority, and she will be eager to know what you did this summer.

As part of this initiative, the President is calling on ordinary Americans to take a leadership role in recruiting and organizing their friends, family, and neighbors to develop their own service projects that address pressing

community needs in partnership with local organizations. [Serve.gov](http://serve.gov) features toolkits for developing projects in issue areas like education, health, energy and the environment, and community renewal. I encourage you to think of creative ways that you can develop your own projects as well.

This will be a very exciting 81 days and beyond. We hope you will join us in answering the President's call and engaging in your community this summer and beyond.

NGO-in-a-Box

<http://base.ngoinabox.org/>

The Base Edition of NGO-in-a-box is a collection of essential tools for running a small-to-medium sized NGO. You can use this toolkit to set up and coordinate your office, organize and manage projects, collaborate online and support your campaigns.

The Box contains a set of peer-reviewed Free and Open Source Software tools, with associated guides and tutorials, giving you the technical foundations to build upon. Topics cover many subjects, including finance, fundraising, project management and collaboration.

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

USAID Commemorates Day of the African Child; Launches Two Decades Report on Child Survival and Maternal Health

June 16, 2009

WASHINGTON D.C. -- In commemoration of the Day of the African Child, The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) today released a report titled *Two Decades of Progress: USAID's Child Survival and Maternal Health Program*. http://pdf.usaid.gov/pdf_docs/PDACN044.pdf

Global child deaths have fallen from 15 million per year in the 1980s to 9.2 million in 2008. The *Two Decades of Progress* report documents this progress and showcases USAID's contribution to a global partnership that has resulted in saving six to seven million child lives each year with other donors, non-governmental, faith-based and community organizations, the private sector, the United Nations, and host countries themselves.

Twenty years ago, USAID and UNICEF launched the "child survival revolution." Since then, the American people, through USAID, have committed \$6 billion in support of child survival programs in more than 80 countries. The President's Global Health Initiative reaffirms this commitment of resources and leadership to continue improving the survival and health of Africa's children.

"We celebrate this remarkable progress made by some very poor nations to advance child health, said Acting Assistant Administrator Gloria Steele. "Americans can be proud that tens of millions of children are alive and healthy because their tax dollars were wisely and compassionately used abroad. The challenge now is to build on these successes to save the remaining millions of children who are dying needlessly."

In maternal and child health, last year Congress provided USAID with a 25 percent increase in funding. In response, USAID began an agency-wide accelerated approach to increasing the survival of mothers, newborns, and young children, focusing on 30 countries with the greatest need. Seventeen of these 30 countries are in Africa, including three of the countries with the world's largest numbers of infant and child deaths - Ethiopia, Nigeria, and

the Democratic Republic of Congo.

This is an ambitious, yet reachable effort for achieving significant reductions in deaths by delivering low-cost, high-impact interventions to prevent or treat the leading killers of mothers, newborns and children under five.

Overall, the United States is the single largest provider of foreign assistance in the world. The U.S. Government is also UNICEF's largest financial supporter, contributing over \$2 billion directly to UNICEF since 1985, and a key partner in child survival programs.

USAID's global approach to child survival has focused on development and delivery of low cost, high impact interventions that can reach children in poor countries to prevent or treat the most important causes of child death. Major USAID contributions include:

- developing "oral rehydration therapy," that can save children from effects of diarrheal illnesses;
- demonstrating that vitamin A supplements can reduce mortality among the millions of children in countries where diets are deficient in this micronutrient;
- proving that children with pneumonia can be saved by antibiotics given by basic health workers;
- demonstrating that insecticide-treated bed nets can reduce malaria illness and death; proving the effectiveness of breastfeeding promotion in protecting infants and young children from illness and improving their nutrition.

The greatest impact of U.S. investment in child survival has come from support of programs that bring these and other life-saving interventions to hundreds of millions of children. USAID's work with developing country governments alongside UNICEF, the World Health Organization, the World Bank, other donors, non-governmental organizations, and private sector partners has contributed to successes at an unprecedented global scale, including:

- Almost a billion episodes of child diarrhea are treated with lifesaving oral fluid therapy (ORT) each year, reducing child deaths from diarrheal disease by more than 50 percent since 1990 and saving more than 2 million children each year.
- More than 100 million children receive a set of basic immunizations each year, and tens of millions more receive supplemental immunizations against polio, measles, and other diseases.
- More than 75 million cases of child pneumonia are taken for treatment by trained health workers.
- Malnutrition among children under age 5 has been reduced from one in three to one in four.
- The Polio Eradication initiative has saved an estimated five million children from death or paralysis, and accelerated measles control efforts have saved two million lives since 1999.
- Half a million children are estimated to have been saved last year alone with vitamin A.
- Millions of pregnant women and children protected from malaria by

insecticide treated bed nets.

For more information about USAID and its child and maternal health programs, please visit www.usaid.gov.

USAID, Iraqi Refinery Open Training Center to Strengthen Skills of IT Managers

June 17, 2009

BAGHDAD-The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and Midland Refineries Co. opened an Information Technology (IT) Training Center at Daura Refinery today aimed at strengthening the management skills of professionals in the energy sector.

The USAID-funded National Capacity Development program, known as "Tatweer," supports the Ministry of Oil and other key Iraqi ministries by developing public management skills, reforming operating systems, and instituting best practices and international standards. In November 2008, USAID-Tatweer launched an initiative to modernize the IT infrastructure at Daura Refinery to improve overall performance of the company. The refinery is recognized as a center of excellence and innovation in information management, producing highly-qualified engineers.

Along with IT support, USAID-Tatweer started the "New Project Manager" workshops in November 2008 to integrate state-of-the-art industry procedures with practical experiences of Daura engineers. The workshops train engineers in project management, procurement and contracting, and health, safety and environmental systems management. To date more than 100 Daura engineers have participated in these workshops that have direct relevance to the refinery's expansion projects.

According to USAID-Tatweer energy advisors, Daura Refinery recently increased its fuel oil output by 70,000 barrels per day to 160,000 barrels per day, recording a 77 percent increase in performance. Additionally, the refinery shifted 20,000 barrels per day of production from Daura to Najaf and Samawa cities, thereby expanding net capacity growth in the provinces. With increased productivity and resources, Iraq has the potential to offset imports of refined products and attract investments to the region after 30 years of isolation.

To sustain the benefits of the "New Project Manager" workshops, USAID-Tatweer in collaboration with the Ministry of Oil is designing a training-of-trainers (ToT) program to help Daura employees retain and share the information they learn with others in the industry.

In his remarks, USAID Country Director Christopher D. Crowley said, "The new IT training Center will increase effectiveness of the refinery by integrating it into the global economic system". He also said that USAID remains committed to providing technical assistance, and access to training and funds to help the Government of Iraq succeed in its efforts to rebuild a modern society.

Since 2003, USAID has invested more than \$6 billion on programs designed to stabilize communities; foster economic and agricultural growth; and build the capacity of the national, local, and provincial governments to respond to the needs of the Iraqi people.

For more information about USAID and its programs, please visit

www.usaid.gov. The American people, through the U.S. Agency for International Development, have provided economic and humanitarian assistance worldwide for nearly 50 years.

CFBCI REQUEST FOR OPINIONS

CFBCI Sponsored Conference Calls

We welcome any input that your organization may have on our conference calls as well as suggestions for future topics. The CFBCI is here to help provide as much information as we can to help your organization succeed.

Send all suggestions to fbc@usaid.gov

Over the past few months the Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives has hosted a number of conference calls between NGOs and the USAID experts working in key programs within USAID.

These calls create an opportunity for you to learn more about USAID and speak directly with the USAID staff who oversees the programs in which you are interested. Each call begins with at least one USAID expert giving an overview of the priorities and work of their program offices and opportunities for faith-based and community organizations to connect and work with them. Then it is time for your questions and USAID's answers.

Did you miss a call? After each call the CFBCI posts the minutes from the call on to the [CFBCI website](#).

Below are the topics that have already been covered and links to the minutes from those calls.

- [Office of Acquisition and Assistance](#) – OAA is the office that actually awards USAID's grants and contracts. Hear what they look for in grant applications.
- [Denton Program and the Ocean Freight Reimbursement Program](#) – Need to ship goods to your work overseas, but the expense is overwhelming? These programs may be able to assist.
- [American Schools and Hospitals Abroad](#) – Do you want to build or strengthen a secondary school, university, library, or health center? ASHA is a very competitive program to do just that.
- [Microenterprise](#) – Read these minutes to find out what USAID experts are prioritizing in the field of Microenterprise and where to find grant opportunities through our partners.
- [Limited Excess Property Program](#) – Every year the U.S. Government has excess property it can't use. Can your NGO use it?

Please let us know what you would like to hear more about. To respond, [click here](#).

CFBCI eNewsletter



Help us keep the CFBCI eNewsletter fresh and informative. We welcome all suggestions! What information would you like to see in this newsletter?

We appreciate feedback, so please send your suggestions to fbc@usaid.gov!

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

USAID FUNDING

(check out grants.gov for the most up-to-date information on grant and funding opportunities as information does change)

Funding Opportunities Glossary:

Annual Program Statement (APS)-

- An APS is used to generate competition for activities that are complementary to USAID's strategic objectives. They originate from USAID offices and missions around the world and solicit creative approaches and programs that will accomplish defined objectives.

Request for Applications (RFA)-

- RFAs invite interested parties to submit competitive applications for USAID assistance, explaining what the application should contain, how it should be written, and the evaluation criteria to be used.

USAID/Almaty - This USAID/Central Asian Republics (CAR) Annual Program Statement (APS) solicits applications from prospective partners to implement maternal and child health activities in Tajikistan. USAID expects that the total level of funding available under this APS for activities in Tajikistan would be up to \$3.5 million. Based on these figures, funding requests are expected to range from a minimum of \$200,000 up to a maximum of \$3.5 million (if activities are proposed to cover all program objectives), for expenditure over a period of up to five years. Funding will not exceed \$700,000 per year; awards for projects of more than one year will be funded incrementally. All awards are subject to the availability of funding. As of October 9, 2008, the [closing date of this announcement is June 24, 2009](#). For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Nairobi – Democratic Republic of Congo's (DRC) program to respond to and prevent sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) is a critical element of the U.S. Government's foreign policy goal in the DRC to support the emergence of a stable, democratic Congo that is at peace with its neighbors and provides for the basic needs of its citizens. Under that rubric, USAID supports programs to protect vulnerable populations from physical violence and abuse and assist the DRC in its stabilization and gradual transition from a post-conflict country to a developing one. As of May 26, 2009 the [closing date of this announcement is June 30, 2009](#). For more information, [click here](#).

USAID- USAID is seeking applications from eligible institution as described in Section A.1.e., that promote democracy, human rights, and the rule of law in Iran. Applications should advance one or more of the following objectives: strengthening civil society organization and advocacy; increasing awareness of and strengthening the rule of law; and expanding freedom of information. USAID intends to make several awards under this APS for a total of up to \$20 million. Applicants can request \$100,000 to \$3,000,000 for expenditure for a maximum of two years. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis and all applications must be submitted by June 30, 2009. USAID reserves the right to fund any or none of the applications submitted. As of September 8, 2008, the [closing date for this announcement is June 30, 2009](#). For more information, [click here](#).

USAID - USAID is seeking applications for a Leader with Associates Cooperative Agreement from eligible U.S. for-profit, non-profit, or private voluntary organization for a program titled, "Human Resources for Health and Quality Services (HRHQS)." The authority for the RFA is found in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended. USAID strongly encourages applicants to develop consortiums with other responsible organizations (U.S. or Non-U.S. Organizations). With this RFA, USAID's objective is to strengthen the human resources needed to implement quality health programs. It will address both the number of healthcare workers needed and the quality and performance of those workers. It will also build capacity in service delivery thereby increasing access to high quality FP/RH, HIV/AIDS, malaria, TB, MCH and other health services while at the same time strengthening the human resource systems necessary to develop, maintain and support the workforce. As of May 14, 2009 the [closing date of this announcement is June 30, 2009](#). For more information, [click here](#).

USAID - Working with local and institutional actors, the Project will promote the participation of the private sector, local governments, Congress, civilian police, government institutions, community and youth leaders and other actors in the implementation and oversight of key prevention policy reforms and youth-oriented prevention programs. USAID recognizes the importance of these committed actors in previous crime prevention and violence reduction initiatives. USAID also recognizes the need to promote actions at all levels of society that support the deepening of democracy in Guatemala. The emphasis of this project is to strengthen community and public sector institutions by ensuring the replication of successful initiatives and the development and implementation of new ones. With this effort, USAID seeks to promote coordinated action and broad participation in crime prevention, while developing effective and comprehensive community-based strategies involving the private sector. As of June 2, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 2, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Almaty - This USAID/Central Asian Republics (CAR) Request for Applications (RFA) solicits applications from all qualified organizations to promote quality education for children with disabilities and orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) to ensure learners obtain the knowledge and life skills necessary to effectively function in society in Uzbekistan. As of June 4, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 3, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID - USAID/OFDA has allocated US \$1 million to support pilot projects or basic research programs that can lead to the design and development of seed storage models in Africa. These seed storage systems should a) be sustainable after the supporting NGO leaves the region, b) be replicable across many different areas in similar agro-ecological zones, and c) significantly reduce post-harvest losses to insects and diseases. This effort will be implemented over an eighteen (18) month period. As of May 27, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 6, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

NEW! USAID/Lusaka - THIS IS NOT A REQUEST FOR APPLICATION (RFA): The United States Government, represented by the USAID Mission in Zambia invites comments and suggestions on its Concept Paper for a program to design and implement grants directly with Zambian community based organizations with programs that are focused on reduction of HIV transmission in specific communities. It is envisioned the funding will be from an interagency USG/Zambia team (State, CDC and USAID). Eligible organizations are strongly encouraged to review the document, provide comment and consider submitting proposals in response to the resulting final solicitation. Comments are particularly invited on how results will be measured and specific associated incentives. The purpose of posting this Concept Paper is to enhance the quality of the final solicitation. Comments and suggestions received by the due date may be considered as the solicitation is finalized; however USAID is under no obligation to incorporate all comments or suggestions. One award is anticipated with sub-granting focus to local communities. The total planned funding for these activities over two (2) years period is \$2 – 2.5 million. No information on competition, Instructions or Evaluation Criteria is available at this time. Subject to the

availability of funds, the planned award shall focus on encouraging prevention of HIV in local communities and rewarding positive behavior. The award shall be performance based in order to achieve the targeted results. Comments are due by July 7th 2009 5:00 pm Zambia time. As of June 19, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 7, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Almaty - USAID in Central Asian Republics is seeking applications from all qualified organizations for the Health Outreach Program in four Central Asian Republics (CAR): Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan. The goal of this project is to provide technical assistance, training and direct outreach services to increase access to quality HIV prevention and Tuberculosis (TB) prevention and treatment interventions among most-at-risk populations (MARPs). The Health Outreach Program (HOP) will strengthen governmental and non-governmental organizations to improve prevention services, increase awareness, and build capacity to reach MARPs in order to prevent the spread of HIV and TB (including co-infection) in four Central Asian Republics (CAR): Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan. The project will combine best practices and effective approaches using community mobilization and direct outreach to improve TB and HIV prevention, health seeking, and adherence behavior of MARPs. As of June 5, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 7, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

NEW! USAID/Phnom Penh - USAID is seeking applications (proposals for funding) to support U.S. or non-U.S. non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in a basic education program. This award will permit the recipient to implement a program to provide support to increase the relevance, quality, and access in Basic Education. As of June 23, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 10, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Bangkok - USAID is seeking applications (proposals for funding) to support U.S. or non-U.S. non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in a basic education program. This award will permit the recipient to implement a program to provide support to increase the relevance, quality, and access in Basic Education. As of May 29, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 10, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Phnom Penh - USAID is seeking applications (proposals for funding) from U.S. or non-U.S. nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and public international organizations (PIO or IO) to implement a program to improve the Community Based HIV/AIDS Prevention and Care Program in Cambodia. The authority for the RFA is found in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended. As of June 10, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 10, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Abuja - The United States Agency for International Development (USAID), represented by USAID/Nigeria, is seeking applications for a Cooperative Agreement for funding a five-year program for Local Governance-Civil Society Partnerships to Improve Capacity for Service Delivery. The authority for this activity is found in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended. The Recipient will be responsible for ensuring achievement of the program objectives. Please refer to the Program

Description for a complete statement of goals and expected results. Subject to the availability of funds, USAID intends to provide about \$40 million in total USAID funding to be allocated over the five-year period. USAID reserves the right to fund any or none of the applications submitted. As of June 12, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 12, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Accra – The United States Agency for International Development West Africa Mission is seeking applications from qualified organizations to implement a program to promote primary education in Burkina Faso. As of May 13, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 13, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/New Delhi - USAID Mission in India is seeking applications (for assistance funding) from interested parties in support of its Health of the Urban Poor (HUP) Program. USAID highly encourages participation of indigenous Indian organizations in this process as both prime recipient and sub-recipients. The purpose of this four year program is to support the achievement of improved delivery of a comprehensive package of maternal and child health and nutrition interventions, including the promotion of water supply, sanitation and hygiene services, to urban poor communities. This program aims to: Improve the health of and basic water, sanitation and hygiene services for the urban poor in India. The recipient will continue USAID's ongoing efforts to provide support to the national (National Urban Health Mission in particular), state, local governments and the private sector and will forge linkages with other USAID-supported partners, donors and development partners supporting urban health activities in India. Objectives under this program are to: 1. Provide quality technical assistance to the Government of India (GOI), states and cities for effective implementation of the National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) 2. Expand partnerships in Urban Health including engaging the commercial sector in Public Private Partnership (PPP) activities 3. Promote the convergence of different Government of India urban health and development efforts 4. Strengthen the evidence-based rigor of city-level demonstration and learning efforts in order to improve program learning. As of June 1, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 15, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

NEW! USAID/Addis Ababa - The purpose of this program is to define the parameters and objectives for a new Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (PMTCT) program to improve the uptake and quality of HIV and Maternal Child Health (MCH) services for pregnant women in Ethiopia through community-based approaches. The overall goals of the program are to strengthen community systems and structures to improve the well-being of HIV positive pregnant women, their families and prevent the spread of HIV to their children. The program also aims to follow-up HIV exposed babies and HIV positive mothers to ensure they receive appropriate care and treatment. As of June 16, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 16, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

NEW! USAID/Monrovia - USAID Mission in Liberia is seeking applications from U.S. non governmental and non US non-governmental to implement the program entitled "Liberia Civil Society and Media Capacity, Advocacy

and Leadership Program”. The authority for this Request for Applications (RFA) is found in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended. This activity will be implemented over the course of the next five years. Implementation should be scheduled to begin in fiscal year 2010. USAID intends to award one (1) Cooperative Agreement providing approximately \$11 million in total USAID funding, subject to the availability of funds. As of June 19, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is July 24, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID - The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) seeks applications from eligible universities or colleges to serve as the Management Entity (ME) for a Collaborative Research Support Program (CRSP) entitled: Adapting Livestock Systems to Climate Change (ALS-CC) Collaborative Research Support Program (ALS-CC CRSP) The authority for this RFA is found in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended. This CRSP activity will be a Leader with Associates (LWA) assistance award. The successful applicant will be awarded a five-year Cooperative Agreement Leader Award with responsibility for managing a worldwide program of research and outreach activities intended to provide results in multiple countries and/or regions. A five-year extension may be provided, subject to the following three criteria: (1) a record of good performance during the first five-year period; (2) availability of Agency funding; and (3) continued relevance of the CRSP to the overall Agency portfolio and development priorities. The applicant is required to submit a technical and cost application as detailed in Section A. The Recipient will be responsible for ensuring achievement of the program objectives of this CRSP. Please refer to the Program Description (Section 1) for a complete statement of goals and expected results. Additional related activities may be awarded by USAID missions or other USAID offices as Associate Awards. These Associate Awards are not competed, but rather are awarded under the Leader agreement and are subject to the provisions of the Leader award. Associate Awards may be either cooperative agreements or grants. As of June 10, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is August 11, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/IFRP/FFP - USAID is seeking applications (proposals for funding) from U.S. non-profit organizations for the production, packaging, and stockpiling of shelf-stable, prepackaged commodities to be distributed under the International Food Relief Partnership (IFRP) program. Please refer to the Program Description for a complete description. Subject to the availability of funds, under this Request for Assistance (RFA), USAID/DCHA/Office of Food for Peace (FFP) plans to enter into awards for a maximum of \$5,500,000 each year for up to three years. Final amount may be less than this level to ensure sufficient funds for a strong distribution program. The anticipated award date is o/a December 2009, with production and availability to be required within six months of the award. USAID intends to award up to two (2) grants under this RFA. Please see this RFA in its entirety, including all SECTIONS, at the following web address: http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/humanitarian_assistance/ffp/ifrp.html. As of June 10, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is August 25, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID-ODP Annual Program Statement-There is no dollar value limit or

minimum for individual proposals or for cumulative awards made under this APS. However, as a reference, past USAID funding awards have ranged between \$50,000 and \$10,000,000. The actual number of awards under this APS is subject to the availability of funds and the interests and requirements of missions/WOUs as well as viability of proposals received. Do not post applications in Grants.gov. All applications and specific questions should be submitted directly to the mission. Contact information for the missions is located in the attached Annual Program Statement. As of December 2, 2008, the closing date of this announcement is September 30, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Budapest – In accordance with the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (as amended) the USAID Office of the Development Counselor in the Republic of Bulgaria through the Regional Contracting Office in Budapest, invites applications from prospective partner organizations to carry out activities which seek to strengthen Bulgarian economic competitiveness through expanding opportunities in Information Technology (IT) and innovation. USAID anticipates awarding one or several assistance awards for implementation period exceeding two years, resulting from this annual program statement (APS). As of June 3, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is October 1, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Manila- The USAID Mission in the Philippines (USAID/Philippines) invites applications from U.S. or non-U.S. organizations (including Philippines) non-profit or for profit entities to implement “Conservation of Biodiversity and Management of Natural Resources” activities as described in this Annual Program Statement (APS) under grants or cooperative agreements. As of February 3, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is October 1, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/Dar es Salaam - The purpose of this Annual Program Statement (APS) is to disseminate information about USAID/Tanzania’s Foreign Assistance Framework, Objective: Economic Growth (EG), and to provide prospective grantees with an opportunity to develop and submit applications for a maximum of 4-year funding. This APS describes the program and the application process, including criteria for evaluating applications. The APS also provides information on administration of awards and point of contact. As of April 10, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is October 10, 2009. For more information, [click here](#).

USAID - The United States Government (USG), as represented by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance (DCHA), Office of Conflict Management and Mitigation (CMM), invites applications for funding from qualified U.S. and non-U.S., non-profit or for-profit non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), and International Organizations (PIO or IO) to carry out activities that mitigate conflict and promote reconciliation by bringing together individuals of different ethnic, religious or political backgrounds from areas of civil conflict and war in the countries listed in the APS. USAID anticipates that approximately US \$25,000,000 will be available to support the program(s) or activity (ies) described herein, although final funding levels will depend on content, quality, number of applications received, needs, availability of funding, and competing priorities. USAID will not

consider any applications below a minimum amount of US\$100,000 or above a maximum amount of US\$600,000 except for applications for West Bank/Gaza and Israel, for which a maximum amount of \$1,000,000 may be requested. As of April 27, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is [October 27, 2009](#). For more information, [click here](#).

USAID- Global Food Security Response: Africa Action Plan, The purpose of this Annual Program Statement (APS) is to publish information about the intention of USAID's Bureau for Africa to fund proposals to contribute to the objectives of the Global Food Security Response through forming public-private and/or private-private alliances to support the development of effective staple food value-chains in West Africa. This APS provides prospective recipients with an opportunity to develop and submit applications for U.S. Agency of International Development (USAID) funding in the area of Economic Growth focused on increasing food security. This APS describes the strategy, the APS application process, the criteria for evaluating applications, and information on administration of awards and point of contract. As of February 26, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is [October 31, 2009](#). For more information, [click here](#).

USAID/OFDA – The purpose of this APS is to disseminate information to prospective applicants so they may develop and submit applications for USAID funding. The USAID Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance anticipates awarding multiple cooperative agreements and/or grants as a result of this APS, targeting humanitarian interventions that facilitate and anchor returnees and also maintaining emergency support for displaced and vulnerable communities with special concern for, but not limited to war widows, women and children, and disabled civilians. This APS: (1) provides background on ongoing emergency needs in Iraq as well as the types of interventions that could encourage returns and maintain support for the displaced; (2) identifies the types of activities for which applications will be considered; (3) explains the criteria for evaluating applications; (4) describes the level of funding available and the process and requirements for submitting applications; and (5) refers prospective applicants to relevant documentation which is available on the Internet. As of April 13, 2009, the closing date of this announcement is [December 13, 2009](#). For more information, [click here](#).

USAID- The purpose of this Annual Program Statement (APS) is to disseminate information about the United States Agency for International Development(USAID) African Urban Poor Improved Water Supply and Sanitation Program (AUP-IWS) APS. USAID anticipates awarding a maximum of three assistance instruments from applications submitted in response to this APS during the first initial round. It is anticipated that grants will be funded for amounts between \$1,500,000 and \$4,500,000 for the life of proposed projects. As of March 13, 2009, the closing date of this announcement is [February 8, 2010](#). For more information, [click here](#).

U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT FUNDING

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Ocean and International Environmental Scientific - The Office of Ecology and Natural Resource Conservation (ENRC) of the Bureau of Oceans, Environment, and Science (OES) at the Department of State announces an open competition to support regional and local initiatives that demonstrate a strong commitment to Forest Law Enforcement and Governance in Latin

up-to-date information on grant and funding opportunities as information does change)

Funding Opportunities Glossary:

Overseas Processing Entity (OPE)-

An entity funded by the Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration's (PRM's) Admissions Office to prepare the paperwork on individual refugee cases prior to interview by the Department of Homeland Security's United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (DHS/USCIS). Once approved by DHS, an OPE helps the refugee complete processing by requesting a sponsorship assurance from a resettlement agency in the U.S.; scheduling the refugee for a medical examination; ensuring a security name check has been done; arranging travel through the International Organization for Migration (IOM), etc.

America through capacity building to reduce illegal logging, address corruption, improve legal and policy frameworks, and strengthen stakeholder participation in forest-related decision making. This will complement USG efforts under bilateral and regional FTAs as well as build on lessons learned from regional Forest Law Enforcement and Governance process in Africa and Asia. This announcement invites organizations to submit proposals addressing the objectives referenced above. Total funding available is \$99,000. The Office of Ecology and Natural Resource Conservation anticipates funding one project from this competition. Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs), research institutions, International Organizations (IO), and U.S. and non-US colleges and universities are eligible to submit proposals to support raising awareness, assessment of country policies, and capacity building with respect to Forest Law Enforcement and Governance. As of June 4, 2009 **the closing date of this announcement is June 26, 2009**. For more information, [click here](#).

Ocean and International Environmental Scientific - The purpose of this announcement is to support regional and local initiatives that demonstrate a strong commitment to conservation and sustainable use of tropical forests and forest products. The project will support awareness raising, assessment of forest-related country policies, and country capacity building with respect to commitments under the NLBI, including those related to improving forest-related legislation, forest law enforcement and forest governance. As of June 4, 2009 **the closing date of this announcement is June 26, 2009**. For more information, [click here](#).

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs - The Teacher Exchange Branch in the Office of Global Educational Programs at the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), U.S. Department of State, announces an open competition for a program that will enable U.S. language teachers to study Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin) and Russian in an Arabic-speaking country, the People's Republic of China, and Russia respectively during the summer of 2010. Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3) may submit proposals to cooperate with the Bureau in the administration of the program. Applicant organizations should design and implement three summer institutes for a minimum total of 25 teachers — fifteen to study Chinese (Mandarin), and five each to study Arabic and Russian. These summer institutes should offer intensive, structured classroom instruction as well as less formal interactive learning opportunities through a comprehensive exchange experience that primarily emphasizes language learning. As of May 27, 2009, **the closing date of this announcement July 7, 2009**. For more information, [click here](#).

Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs - The Office of Academic Exchange Programs of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs announces an open competition for two or more assistance awards for the 2010 Critical Language Scholarships for Intensive Summer Institutes, which provide foreign language instruction overseas for American undergraduate and graduate students. Public and private non-profit organizations, or consortia of such organizations, meeting the provisions described in Internal Revenue Code section 26 USC 501(c)(3), may submit proposals to cooperate

with the Bureau in the administration and implementation of one or both of the two components available under this competition. Each component requires a separate proposal submission. It is anticipated that the total amount of funding available for all FY 2010 administrative and program costs to support both program components A and B, including all language groupings, outlined below will be \$10,000,000. Applicant organizations bidding on two or more language groups must submit a separate proposal not exceeding \$350,000 for the recruitment and selection of all participants (Component A). Applicant organizations may submit proposals requesting funds not exceeding \$9,650,000 to implement the CLS institutes between June and August 2010 (Component B). Average participant costs per language group under Component B should not exceed \$16,000.

Component A: Participant Recruitment and Selection: The first component of this competition is for recruitment and selection of all U.S. participants for these summer institutes. While the CLS Institutes are active in multiple countries, it is important that a single worldwide program identity be maintained. Therefore, applicant organizations applying to administer programs for two or more language groups are required to submit a separate proposal for 2 this component, demonstrating the capacity to conduct a nationwide participant recruitment and selection process for all language institutes. Only applicant organizations applying for two or more of the language groups listed below will be eligible to bid on this component. Only one organization will be selected to administer the participant recruitment and selection process.

Component B: Administration and Implementation of Institutes: The second component is for the administration and implementation of six- to ten-week summer institutes overseas for participants in countries where Arabic, Chinese, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Russian and the Indic, Persian, and Turkic language families are widely spoken. Eligible organizations or consortia may submit proposals for the administration and implementation of one or more of the following language groupings:

- Arabic language institutes in the Near East and North Africa region for not less than a total of 185 advanced beginning, intermediate and advanced students.
- Chinese, Indonesian, Japanese, and Korean language institutes in the East Asia and Pacific region for not less than a total of 155 beginning (Korean and Indonesian only), intermediate and advanced students.
- Azerbaijani, Russian and Turkish language institutes in the Europe and Eurasia region for not less than a total of 143 beginning (Turkish only), intermediate and advanced students.
- Persian and Indic (Bangla/Bengali, Hindi, Punjabi, and Urdu) language institutes in the South Central Asia region for not less than a total of 92 beginning (Indic languages only), intermediate and advanced students.

See section on "Country and Language Information" under "Administration and Implementation of Institutes" for additional information and a description of language levels. These summer institutes should offer U.S. undergraduate and graduate students structured classroom instruction and less formal interactive learning opportunities through a comprehensive exchange experience that primarily emphasizes language learning. Proposals from applicant organizations should demonstrate the development of new institutional language-teaching capacity overseas for these summer institutes and not propose enrolling participants in programs already in existence. This program is designed to develop additional overseas language study opportunities for U.S. students. As of June 2, 2009 **the closing date of**

this announcement is July 10, 2009. For more information, [click here.](#)

NEW! Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor – Description: 1). DRL seeks projects in Chad that focus on raising awareness to prevent the recruitment of child soldiers in government and/or rebel groups. Projects related to child soldiers should focus on preventing recruitment of children from refugee and/or IDP camps in the east; however, proposals may also include efforts in other parts of the country as appropriate. Awareness raising strategies should be clearly described and aimed specifically at key actors who may be able to prevent or stop the recruitment and use of child soldiers. Such actors may include, but are not limited to, field-level members of the military, local refugee leaders, parents/parent-teacher associations, gendarmes and law enforcement officials, local and provincial civilian authorities, and civil society/religious groups. As such, projects should demonstrate a strong understanding of the ways in which children are recruited. To promote collaboration and avoid duplication of efforts, projects should also demonstrate the ability to coordinate closely with UNICEF, UNHCR, and other actors engaged in similar efforts. Awareness raising activities must demonstrate that they do not duplicate UNICEF efforts. Applicants interested in applying for a grant in this area must currently be operating in Chad. 2). DRL seeks projects in Chad that focus on reducing school violence. Projects must pay particular attention to the inclusion of girls, demonstrate knowledge of other related ongoing projects, and explain how the proposal does not duplicate existing efforts. Projects should involve training for and the involvement of actors such as teachers, school administrators and local authorities, students (male and female), and parents/parent-teacher associations. They should seek to strengthen existing mechanisms that work with or within schools or to build associations that will continue to promote safer schools over the long-term. As of June 22, 2009 **the closing date of this announcement is July 16, 2009.** For more information, [click here.](#)

Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration - Description: The Reception and Placement (R&P) Program for the initial reception and placement of refugees in the United States is managed by the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration of the Department of State (hereinafter referred to as the "Bureau"). The Bureau welcomes the submission of proposals for the FY 2010 R&P Program. The purpose of the R&P Program is to promote the successful reception and placement of all persons who are admitted to the United States under the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program. For the purpose of this announcement, "refugee" is defined as a person admitted to the United States under section 207(c) of the INA, as amended, or a person to whom eligibility for the resettlement assistance available to individuals admitted under section 207 (c) has been extended by statute. To accomplish this goal, the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) recognizes the desirability for public or private non-profit organizations to provide R&P services and to assist refugees to achieve economic self-sufficiency as quickly as possible. The program goals and objectives set forth in this announcement have been established in accordance with these statutory provisions. The Bureau partners with and provides partial financial support to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to carry out the R&P Program. Participating organizations are expected to combine the Bureau's financial assistance with existing and

projected private resources for the provision of R&P services for refugees admitted to the United States during the period October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. Eligible Applicants: The Bureau intends to award a limited number of Cooperative Agreements (CA) for FY 2010 to well-qualified non-profit organizations able to offer a range of services in multiple locations across the United States. This will include applicants that have demonstrated satisfactory performance under previous agreements with the Bureau and/or applicants that meet the selection criteria described below and have demonstrated the capacity to provide required services. Applicants should understand that participation in the FY 2009 R&P Program is neither a pre-condition for nor a guarantee of continued participation in FY 2010. In order to be considered for participation in the program, applicants must: A. Be well-established social service providers with demonstrated case management expertise and experience managing a network of offices that provide reception and placement or similar services to refugees or other migrant populations in the United States; B. Have been in operation for at least three full years in 501(c)(3) non-profit status; and C. Document the availability of private financial resources to contribute to the program. As of May 21, 2009 **the closing date of this announcement is July 21, 2009.** For more information, [click here.](#)

Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration- Limited funding is available to support NGOs assisting refugees in Tanzania and working with refugee returnees in Burundi and the DRC. For Tanzania proposals should focus exclusively on life-saving basic assistance in the remaining refugee camps in western Tanzania. At least 80% of beneficiaries must be refugees. Proposals should focus on health, water and sanitation, and gender based violence (GBV). For Burundi and the DRC proposed activities should support the repatriation and reintegration of Burundi and DRC refugees. Priority sectors include: shelter, health/mental health, water/sanitation, livelihood promotion, primary education, and gender-based violence prevention and response. Proposals should target priority sectors as identified in collaboration with UNHCR, local authorities, and returnees themselves. As of March 26, 2009 **the closing date of this announcement is July 31, 2009.** For more information, [click here.](#)