



The Center for Faith-Based & Community Initiatives NEWSLETTER

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Letter from the Director

Dear Newsletter Recipients,

This week the USAID senior leadership participated in the President's new Summer service initiative – United We Serve. See the article below and check out www.serve.gov to find out how you too can get involved.

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 fbcf@usaid.gov by Monday, July 9th.

Please email us your suggestions and comments about our conference calls and newsletter at fbcf@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

HIV/AIDS Meeting

7.16.2009

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.



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

****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

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

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HELPFUL TOOLS & INFORMATION

The USAID Neglected Tropical Diseases Control Program

USAID's NTD control program began in 2006 in response to a Congressional earmark of \$15 million per year. The program represents one of the first global efforts to integrate existing disease-specific treatment programs to control diseases. In fiscal year (FY) 2008, USAID's NTD program worked in eight countries – Burkina Faso, Ghana, Mali, Niger, Uganda, Haiti, Sierra Leone, and Southern Sudan. In early FY09, the program expanded to Nepal, Bangladesh, Tanzania, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. In its first two years, the NTD program has provided 86 million treatments and is on track to surpass its target of providing 160 million treatments. RTI and their partners are working with

Ministries of Health in Program countries to integrate formally vertical programs and extend the reach of mass drug administration.

President Obama has committed to substantially increasing our efforts to save the lives of more children and mothers. On May 5, 2009 President Obama announced a new comprehensive global health strategy to address some of the biggest global health challenges.

The U.S. Government will continue to lead in the fight against disease by preventing and treating HIV/AIDS, and combating malaria and tuberculosis, while focusing attention on broader global health challenges, including child and maternal health, family planning, and neglected tropical diseases, with cost effective interventions.

The Global Health Initiative also commits us to accelerating progress by connecting our focused work on high impact health programs, through a comprehensive integrated approach that will help countries strengthen their health systems.

U.S. Neglected Tropical Disease goal is to reduce and eventually control and eliminate seven diseases as major threats to health and economic growth in the developing world.

The effort is targeting seven major diseases which disproportionately impact poor and rural populations: lymphatic filariasis (elephantiasis); schistosomiasis (snail fever); trachoma (eye infection); onchocerciasis (river blindness); and three soil-transmitted helminthes (hookworm, roundworm, whipworm).

Magnitude of the Problem

Approximately one billion people, mostly in the developing world, suffer from one or more NTDs; seven of these diseases can be controlled and even eliminated through targeted mass drug administration (providing a medication once or twice a year to all individuals in an affected community). Most of these diseases either blind, deform, or debilitate their victims. They can reduce school enrollment, diminish childhood growth and cognitive development, and reduce economic productivity in adults.

Treating the millions of people that suffer from NTDs will bolster child development, promote educational achievement, increase worker productivity, and contribute to poverty reduction.

USAID's Commitment to Fighting NTDs

When the U.S. Congress launched the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) integrated NTD control project in 2006, it represented one of the first large-scale efforts to integrate existing disease-specific treatment programs to care for millions of the world's poorest people. In its first year of implementation, more than 14 million people received integrated treatment for the seven targeted NTDs.

Fighting Neglected Tropical Diseases Around the World

FACT SHEET

In late 2006, USAID began the project in 5 countries in Africa, including Burkina Faso, Ghana, Mali, Niger and Uganda. In 2008, it expanded to include Haiti, Sierra Leone, Southern Sudan, Nepal, and Bangladesh. In 2009, the program expanded to Nepal, Bangladesh, Tanzania, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The project supports Ministries of Health in these countries to rapidly scale up delivery of an integrated package of NTD treatment.

Now in its third year, the U.S. has already delivered 136 million treatments to 60 million people in eight countries.

In recognition of this highly successful Initiative the U.S. Congress increased funding for integrated NTD control to \$25 million in 2009.

Key Partners

The United States works in partnership with countries struggling with overlapping disease burdens to ensure an integrated country specific approach to fighting NTDs. USAID works closely with Ministries of Health to ensure country ownership of NTD control efforts, support national plans for NTD control to achieve national scale, and engage local stakeholders. USAID also works closely with key international partners who are leading efforts in NTD control, such as the World Health Organization.

For many years, several pharmaceutical companies have made mass treatment programs possible through generous drug donations and reduced pricing for non-donated drugs. Most drugs needed to treat NTDs have been donated by the pharmaceutical industry, including GlaxoSmithKline, Johnson & Johnson, Merck, and Pfizer. These donations are valued at hundreds of millions of dollars each year. These highly successful public-private partnerships have been essential in ensuring wide-scale and sustainable availability of effective and affordable NTD drugs.

The United States will also enhance efficiency and efficacy by leveraging existing initiatives such as the Basic Education Initiative, the President's Malaria Initiative, and the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief.

Launch of USAID Neglected Tropical Diseases Initiative Website

USAID recently launched a new Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) website www.neglecteddiseases.gov. The site hosts all of the latest, most pertinent information on NTDs. The site includes NTD background, the newest news, profiles for all of the initiative countries, reports, publications, and other NTD information. This rich resource provides valuable details about the efforts currently being enacted against the seven NTDs.

SPAM Alert

There are a number of organizations online that can give you more guidance on these kinds of scams,

An increasing number of email scams are using NGOs, International NGOs, development agencies, meetings, international conferences etc as the hook to defraud or cheat unsuspecting recipients.

Always use caution when responding to or acting on unsolicited bulk email or paper mail.

please email fbc@usaid.gov if you have any questions.

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

USAID Brings White House Service Initiative to Baltimore

Visit with Local Officials and Community Leaders Amplifies "United We Serve"

June 23, 2009



[Acting Administrator Alonzo Fulgham reads to the children at the Baltimore Esperanza Center. June 22nd was the kick-off of the President's summer service initiative - United We Serve - which is a call to all Americans to join a volunteer effort this summer and be part of building a new foundation for America, one community at a time.](#)

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[Acting Administrator Alonzo Fulgham reads to the children at the Baltimore City Women, Infant and Children Program, while Jacquelyn Duval-Harvey, Deputy](#)

WASHINGTON D.C. - Amplifying the White House's efforts to kick off a summer of service, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Acting Administrator Alonzo Fulgham joined local officials and community leaders in Baltimore for the inauguration of President Obama's "United We Serve" Initiative. United We Serve is a call to volunteer and be a part of building a new foundation for growth, one community at a time. During his two-hour visit to Baltimore, Fulgham volunteered with two local service projects - the Esperanza Center, and a mobile immunization clinic. (See link to high-resolution photos below.)

Fulgham's morning visit to Baltimore - some 45 minutes from USAID's headquarters in downtown Washington - included an immunization drive organized by the Baltimore City Health Department, at both the Esperanza Center - a health center that provides bilingual adult, pediatric and well-woman care, and the Baltimore City Women, Infant and Children program. More than 30 children listened intently as Fulgham read several stories to entertain them as they awaited their appointments. After the "story time" Fulgham passed out backpacks filled with books to help encourage the children to continue reading at home.

After meeting with the children, Fulgham toured the Esperanza Center facilities and spoke with the staff. He also toured the Baltimore City Health Department's "TIKE Van," a mobile immunization clinic, whose acronym stands for "To Immunize Kids Everywhere."

"Volunteering is a great way to help create meaningful change in our communities," said Fulgham. "By investing time in something that is meaningful to ourselves and to our communities, we can help build a new foundation for America."

Fulgham and Baltimore City Health Department Interim Commissioner Olivia D. Farrow discussed ideas for getting more young people to volunteer in public health programs while touring the department's Women, Infant and Children Program and the Family Planning Clinic.

"Some of our most dedicated employees started as volunteers. Volunteering can open many windows of opportunity and provide a young person with a new sense of direction," said Interim Commissioner Farrow.

USAID is the principal U.S. government agency that extends American assistance to countries recovering from disaster, trying to escape poverty, and engaging in democratic reforms. USAID employees have previously volunteered their expertise to the City of Baltimore by providing technical assistance to the City's Health Department immunization efforts based on best practices learned abroad. One of the planning and evaluation tools used by the Health Department to improve performance was developed by USAID in its work overseas. This event highlighted the shared common challenges of - and solutions to - health

Commissioner, Youth and Families,
Baltimore City Health Department looks on.
[Click for access to high-resolution image](#)

care, education, and poverty in America and around the world.

In addition to Baltimore City Health Department officials, representatives from Senator Benjamin Cardin and Senator Barbara Mikulski's offices were also in attendance. To find service opportunities in your local community visit www.serve.gov.

For high resolution photos of today's event go to <http://www.usaid.gov/press/releases/pr090622.html>, for more information about USAID and its programs around the world, please visit www.usaid.gov.

CFBCI REQUEST FOR OPINIONS

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](#).

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

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 fbci@usaid.gov

CFBCI eNewsletter



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/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](#).

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](#).

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](#).

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](#).

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](#).

NEW! USAID/Bangkok - USAID/RDMA intends to support a new US-China environmental partnership program focusing on clean energy solutions that promote real and sustainable reductions in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Public or private U.S. educational institutions and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) are eligible to submit applications to this Request for Applications (RFA). As of June 26, 2009 the closing date of this announcement is August 17, 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](#).

NEW! USAID/Cairo - This Annual Program Statement (APS) is the method by which USAID/Egypt supports the Civil Society Program conducted under the authority of the 1961 Foreign Assistance Act, as amended. Through this APS, USAID/Egypt intends to support programs of Egyptian non-governmental organizations. Eligible organizations interested in receiving funding for programs and activities under the Civil Society Program are invited to carefully read this APS in its entirety and to follow the grant application guidance in order to apply for funds. There is a two stage application process consisting of the submission of an initial concept paper and then – upon invitation by USAID – the submission of a full application. Initial concept papers may be submitted in English or in Arabic. However, full applications must be submitted in English. USAID plans to hold a general information session on the APS on August 10, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at USAID. All interested applicants are welcome to attend. As of June 29, 2009 the closing date of this APS is April 30, 2010. For more information, [click here](#).

U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT FUNDING

(check out grants.gov for the most 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

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

Migration (IOM), etc.

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.](#)

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](#).