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ASSISTANCE OBJECTIVE GOVERNING JUSTLY AND DEMOCRATICALLY (GJ&D) COMMUNITY YOUTH-AT-RISK ACTIVITY

Strategic Focus Area 2: Improved Sectorial Capacity for Coordinated and Comprehensive Responses for Youth at Risk

Performance Indicators

Indicator 1: Number of communities assisted in crime prevention with USG support

Indicator 2: Number of communities with joint police-citizen groups actively operating to reduce crime activity

Socio-economic Development Context:

- Twelfth most unequal country worldwide (Gini Coefficient, 56.1)
- Low human development index (0.812)
- Insecurity indexes experiencing significant increases
- High homicide rates (33/100,000 in Panama City and 27/100,000 in Colon); a rate of 9/100,000 is reflective of a crime problem.
- Twenty-five percent of the population is between 15 and 29 years old
- Fifteen percent of the youth neither work nor attend school
- Fifty-four percent of the total number of homicide victims is between 15 and 29 years old

Strategic Mechanisms:

Community Action Fund

Community Policing

Public-Private Alliances

Critical Assumptions:

- National and local institutions assign high priority to security and youth development to reduce youth participation in violence and crime.
- Justice system institutions steadfast in commitment to make necessary changes.

Intermediate Results

Intermediate Result 2.1

Policies and services for youth at risk improved

IR Indicators:

- Comprehensive strategy developed and implemented
- Number of priority sector specific action plans developed
- Number of individuals with knowledge, skills and abilities (KSAs) in best practices in youth development

Intermediate Result 2.2

Web-based, knowledge platform operational

IR Indicators:

- Knowledge platform designed with established procedures for ongoing maintenance and update
- Knowledge platform employed with established procedures for ongoing maintenance and update

Sub-Results

Capacity of police unit to develop, implement, and support effective community and school oriented initiatives strengthened

Private and media sector involvement in offering and/or promoting effective responses at a local and national level increased

National network with enhanced NGO, CBO, and FBO participation working nationally and locally

Usage by youth at risk of knowledge platform maximized

Usage by service providers of knowledge platform maximized

Illustrative Activities

- TA and training to develop capacity to implement best practice youth and gang prevention-intervention initiatives at the national and local level
- TA and training to make police unit participation mechanisms functional

- Grants to leverage private sector support for youth at risk
- TA and training for better media coverage based on data and analysis
- Training in programming (radio and/or TV) of youth leaders

- TA to develop and support national network
- TA and training to strengthen network member institutions capacity

- TA and training to design, launch, update, and maintain knowledge based platform
- TA and training to establish knowledge-based platform informational component, interactive communication component, and showcasing component