

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Office of Private and Voluntary Cooperation
Program Title:	Increased Mobilization of Resources
Pillar:	Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance
Strategic Objective:	963-003
Status:	Continuing
Planned FY 2006 Obligation:	\$495,000 DA
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$0
Proposed FY 2007 Obligation:	\$500,000 DA
Year of Initial Obligation:	2005
Estimated Year of Final Obligation:	2007

Summary: The objective of this program is to enhance the ability of non-governmental organizations (NGOs), both U.S. private voluntary organizations (PVOs) and indigenous non-profit organizations, to attract development investment funding from USAID, other donors, the private sector, local governments, and other sources, for development activities. By diversifying their funding sources, NGOs lessen their dependence on any one funding entity and thereby potentially increase their chances of financial sustainability. While USAID encourages the formation of new partnerships with, between and among American and local organizations, these organizations often need help in understanding and navigating opportunities to find the most appropriate match of their skills and interests to those of funding entities. In addition, many organizations may be well intentioned but in need of internal organizational improvement so that they can ensure their funding sources that they are high quality, effective and accountable partners. USAID has provided very modest training and information services only and has not directly funded and organizational strengthening grants under this objective.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2006 Program: Strengthen Civil Society (\$495,000 DA): USAID will offer training courses (half to full day only) to PVOs and other U.S. NGOs on topics such as strategic and funding priorities and procurement procedures so that potential PVO/NGO partners can better understand how to present their interests in ways that donors can perceive the match of U.S. NGO skills and abilities with investment priorities and available funding. In addition, USAID will work with other offices and missions throughout the Agency to make available Web-based information that is more user-friendly and accessible to potential partners. In addition, there is a growing number of U.S. and overseas organizations addressing the issue of organizational standards (i.e., established and recognized principles and practices which can be measured and documented) and offering accreditation or certification that NGOs meet specific standards to a sufficient degree to merit some recognition of achievement. USAID will provide information, in terms of Web links, handouts and responses to questions, on these standards to organizations and encourage potential NGO partners to participate in one of these external standards programs as part of ongoing organizational self-improvement efforts. USAID will not fund organizational self-improvement of potential new NGO partners. The intent of this activity is to encourage potential NGO partners to address programmatic and management improvements independently as a way of enhancing their attractiveness as high quality funding recipients to donors in general.

FY 2007 Program: Strengthen Civil Society (\$500,000 DA): Depending upon demand, USAID will continue to offer training courses on topics of particular interest to potential NGO partners. The focus will continue to be on helping potential partners to better understand how USAID and other donors work and what they expect of grant partners so that NGOs can better prepare proposals based on needs and expectations. USAID will also continue to improve and expand Web-based information that is user-friendly and accessible to potential partners. Information will continue to include organizations addressing NGO standards and certification. Partners are to be determined.

Performance and Results: By the end of this objective, the Office of Private and Voluntary Cooperation (PVC) expects to have in place a program by which NGOs, both U.S. and indigenous, can better attract development investment funding, from USAID, other donors, the private sector, and other sources, for

development activities. This program will include information on where NGOs can seek training and other assistance to improve their internal management operations as well as on how they can better coordinate their skills and interests with those of donors such as USAID.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Office of Private and Voluntary Cooperation

963-003 Increased Mobilization of Resources	DA
Through September 30, 2004	
Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	0
Fiscal Year 2005	
Obligations	500
Expenditures	0
Through September 30, 2005	
Obligations	500
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	500
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2006 NOA	
Obligations	495
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2006	
Obligations	495
Proposed Fiscal Year 2007 NOA	
Obligations	500
Future Obligations	0
Est. Total Cost	1,495