KONBIT
FACT SHEET
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OVERVIEW

In order to foster sustainable development results in Haiti, USAID, in addition to working with the Haitian government, is implementing a ‘Local Solutions’ strategy which focuses on Haitian civil society organizations and business service providers to build their institutional capacity and longevity. Konbit- Creole for teamwork or coming together for a common goal - is a key component of USAID’s Local Solutions initiative.

The Konbit project will build the capacity of service providers based in Haiti to deliver financial, managerial and organizational support to Local Solutions grantees and others like them in every sector of social and economic development. Konbit also will facilitate collaboration and sharing of results, best practices and innovation.

The goal of the Konbit Project is to increase the number of Haitian development partners who are accountable to their constituents, and who are able to effectively compete for and manage resources to achieve significant and sustainable development results in Haiti.

OBJECTIVES

- Establish and coordinate comprehensive capacity development services – to build institutional competence among Haitian civil society organizations so they can take on increasingly complex development challenges
- Launch a Development Innovation Network – to encourage collaboration and sharing of best practices, innovations, and industry standards in both capacity development and technical areas among Haitian and international practitioners
- Develop and implement monitoring, evaluation and learning activities – to create learning opportunities for program participants, and employ an interactive platform for sharing of key lessons learned

ACTIVITIES

- Inventory existing institutional capacity, train USAID Local Solutions awardees as well as Haitian providers of capacity development services for financial, management and organizational strengthening
- Provide a project compliance “help line” for new awardees
- Launch an “Expert Bar” to provide in-house support at offices in Port-au-Prince and Cap-Haitian
- “Systems Thinking” conference on local development process
- Host an expert “Speaker Series” for local organizations to promote Haitian development
- Strengthen and mobilize the Haitian philanthropic community
- Support local organization monitoring and evaluation systems
- Supply online project management and learning tools to participants