

## Data Sheet

<b>USAID Mission:</b>	Moldova
<b>Program Title:</b>	Social Transition
<b>Pillar:</b>	Global Health
<b>Strategic Objective:</b>	117-0340
<b>Status:</b>	Continuing
<b>Planned FY 2006 Obligation:</b>	\$1,500,000 FSA
<b>Prior Year Unobligated:</b>	\$3,845,000 FSA
<b>Proposed FY 2007 Obligation:</b>	\$1,351,000 FSA
<b>Year of Initial Obligation:</b>	2001
<b>Estimated Year of Final Obligation:</b>	2007

**Summary:** USAID's social transition program includes three components: strengthening tuberculosis (TB) control, preventing transmission of infectious diseases (Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immuno-Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) and Hepatitis B&C), and combating trafficking in persons.

### Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

#### FY 2006 Program:

Prevent and Control Infectious Diseases of Major Importance (\$140,752 FSA carryover, \$159,248 FSA prior year recoveries). During FY 2006, USAID's Strengthening TB Control in Moldova project will build upon Moldova's improved laboratory capacity and continue to strengthen the institutional capacity of Moldova's primary health care system to initially detect TB infected individuals and provide post-hospitalization anti-tuberculosis treatment. The program will support the establishment of an up-to-date TB surveillance system and increase knowledge of TB signs, symptoms in the general population attained through public outreach campaigns and the establishment of a facility to monitor multi-drug resistant (MDR) TB to support Moldova's implementation of DOTS (Directly Observed therapy) Plus treatment for patients with confirmed drug resistance. Implementer: American International Health Alliance (AIHA) (prime).

Program Support (\$1,112,883 FSA, \$173,373 FSA carryover). USAID will provide funds for administrative support, evaluations and assessments, and information technology support.

Reduce Trafficking In Persons (\$387,117 FSA). USAID's New Perspectives for Women (NPW) activity will continue to support prevention through public awareness and information campaigns, the identification and recognition of risk factors, and assistance to potential and actual victims of trafficking through legal consultations, crisis prevention services, psychological rehabilitation, and training programs in job skills and entrepreneurship. The project will reduce vulnerability to being trafficked by offering economic solutions to an economic problem, and acts as a "gatekeeper," identifying client needs and matching them to existing training and services wherever possible.

The Better Opportunities for Youth and Women in Moldova project will reduce the vulnerability of returned trafficking victims and state boarding school and orphanage graduates by providing safe, affordable, supervised learning and living environments where they have access to life-skills, job and employment training, health services and counseling, and tangible work experience that can prepare them for meaningful employment in Moldova and successful (re)integration into the community. Implementer: Winrock International (prime).

Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$2,171,625 FSA carryover, \$1,200,000 FSA prior year recoveries). In FY 2006 USAID will launch a new Combating HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis B and C Initiative to retard the spread of blood-transmittable diseases, primarily HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B and C, and other sexually transmitted illnesses (STIs). USAID will support the development of voluntary counseling and testing services that meet international standards, behavior change communications to prevent transmission of HIV/AIDS and hepatitis B and C, improvements to Moldova's blood supply system, standardized hepatitis laboratory practices based on WHO guidelines, the upgrading of a hepatitis

reference laboratory to diagnose chronic cases of hepatitis and perform epidemiological surveillance, and develop guidelines and update safe medical practices to reduce cross-contamination with HIV and viral hepatitis in health care facilities. Implementer: to be determined.

**FY 2007 Program:**

Program Support (\$105,000 FSA). USAID will provide funds for administrative support, evaluations and assessments, and Washington Information Technology support.

Reduce Trafficking In Persons (\$714,000 FSA). The Moldova Anti-Trafficking program, NPW, will continue to deliver prevention and assistance services through a network of established regional centers. The referral and linkages system will provide for an integrated approach involving not only USAID implementing partners, but also local authorities and institutions, and other international donors.

The "Better Opportunities for Youth and Women in Moldova" project will continue to provide services, reducing the vulnerability of boarding schools or orphanages graduates and returned victims of trafficking by offering safe, affordable, supervised learning and living environments where girls and young women have access to life-skills, job and employment training, health services and counseling, and tangible work experience that can prepare them for meaningful employment in Moldova and successful (re)integration into the community. Implementer: same as above.

Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$532,000 FSA). Activities to prevent HIV/AIDS in Moldova will continue to focus on the key project components for developing effective measures to stop the spread of blood and sexually transmittable diseases. Implementer: same as above.

**Performance and Results:** The rehabilitation of the National Reference Laboratory in Chisinau and the network of Regional Reference Laboratories in Balti, Vorniceni and Bender were completed by FY 2005. Training for laboratory specialists in appropriate safety procedures and the development of operational guidelines consistent with international standards was provided in cooperation with the State Center of TB and Lung Diseases in Latvia. Training for a total of about 900 primary health care providers was done in cooperation with the State Medical and Pharmaceutical University and medical assistants from the TB Institute. Two public awareness campaigns were implemented.

After the establishment of five local NGO-based regional support centers, USAID's New Perspectives for Women project began to provide victim assistance and support services, promote effective public awareness and outreach components, and work to improve access to employment and business opportunities.

The Better Opportunities for Youth and Women in Moldova project began work on a network of self-sustaining, transitional live-in and educational social reintegration centers to provide safe, affordable, supervised learning and living environments with access to life-skills training and tangible work experience to prepare boarding school and orphanage graduates and returned victims of trafficking for meaningful employment in Moldova and successful (re)integration into the community. During FY 2005, the United Nations Development Program completed the construction design of the first five buildings where Centers will be located and assisted NGOs, which will run the Centers with the selection of additional professionals. Rehabilitation work on the first two buildings started in Ungheni and Carpineni.

By completion of this objective, Moldova will have the institutional capacity to effectively respond to major public health threats such as tuberculosis, viral hepatitis B&C, and HIV/AIDS; and have the institutional capacity to work effectively as part of an international response to potential new regional public health threats such as avian influenza. Moldova's incidence of TB cases per 100,000 persons will drop to its 1990 level of 40, and its treatment success rate will exceed 85%. Moldova will have the institutional capacity and political will to aggressively and effectively investigate and prosecute trafficking-in-persons cases.

## US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Moldova

	CSH	FSA
117-0340 Social Transition		
<b>Through September 30, 2004</b>		
Obligations	2,000	25,258
Expenditures	0	20,720
Unliquidated	2,000	4,538
<b>Fiscal Year 2005</b>		
Obligations	0	2,722
Expenditures	308	0
<b>Through September 30, 2005</b>		
Obligations	2,000	27,980
Expenditures	308	20,720
Unliquidated	1,692	7,260
<b>Prior Year Unobligated Funds</b>		
Obligations	0	3,845
<b>Planned Fiscal Year 2006 NOA</b>		
Obligations	0	1,500
<b>Total Planned Fiscal Year 2006</b>		
Obligations	0	5,345
<b>Proposed Fiscal Year 2007 NOA</b>		
Obligations	0	1,351
Future Obligations	0	0
Est. Total Cost	2,000	34,676