## **Data Sheet**

USAID Mission: Liberia

Program Title:Community Revitalization and ReintegrationPillar:Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance

Strategic Objective: 669-006

Status: New in FY 2004

**Planned FY 2005 Obligation:** \$4,471,000 CSH; \$6,854,000 DA; \$24,800,000 ESF **Prior Year Unobligated:** \$1,000,000 CSH; \$45,266,000 IDA

Proposed FY 2006 Obligation: \$2,900,000 CSH; \$7,858,000 DA; \$75,000,000 ESF

Year of Initial Obligation: 2004

Estimated Year of Final Obligation: 2006

**Summary:** In FY 2004 USAID created a new, overarching transitional strategic objective that integrates all elements of the USAID Liberia program. Under this single objective that runs through FY 2006, USAID will (1) create economic and social conditions at the community level to reintegrate and rehabilitate excombatants and others affected by the war; (2) increase formal and informal learning opportunities; (3) enhance the peace process and promote good governance; and (4) increase the availability of essential primary health care services.

## Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2005 Program: Address Conflict Transitional Issues (\$30,966,000 prior-year IDFA; \$4,809,000 DA; \$24,800,000 ESF). USAID activities are designed to revive Liberia's post-war economy, with special attention to job creation and income generation, the reconstruction of basic infrastructure, the reintegration of women and children associated with the fighting forces, community-level approaches to peace-building and self-development, agricultural productivity, elections, governance and legal reforms. Employment generation activities under the Liberia Community Infrastructure Program include road repair, rehabilitation of community and school facilities, and renovation of water and sewage systems. USAID will also expand educational opportunities for women and youth affected by the war by offering accelerated learning opportunities. In addition, USAID will provide psychosocial counseling and specialized training for ex-combatants and women and children affected by the war. Training and modest financing will be provided to promote micro-enterprise and small-scale business development in agricultural and non-agricultural activities. Principal contractors and grantees: Development Alternatives Incorporated, International Rescue Committee, Christian Children's Fund, and Save the Children-UK (primes); and CARE (sub).

Promote and Support Free and Fair Elections (\$10,000,000 prior-year IDFA; \$1,000,000 DA). In preparation for Liberia's general elections scheduled for October 2005, USAID will provide support to the National Election Commission, political parties and civil society organizations (CSOs) to encourage political competition, broad participation, and elections that are free and fair. Principal grantees: International Republican Institute, International Foundation for Election Systems, and National Democratic Institute (primes).

Improve Child Survival, Health and Nutrition (\$1,500,000 prior-year IDFA; \$1,000,000 prior-year CSH; \$4,471,000 CSH). USAID will help to rehabilitate Liberia's community health care with integrated support to rural clinics and community health services. To reduce child mortality USAID services will include immunizations, micronutrient supplementation, and care of children suffering from pneumonia, diarrheal diseases, nutritional deficiencies, malaria and measles. As part of the abstinence, be faithful and condom promotion approach, USAID will expand efforts to help reduce sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and HIV/AIDS through the promotion of behavior change and safe sexual practices. USAID will support the institutional strengthening of Liberian non-governmental organizations, provide essential medicines and family planning commodities, and distribute home-based delivery kits to the clinics and surrounding communities. Principal grantees and agencies: Africare (Prime); and Morehouse School of Medicine, the Johns Hopkins University, Family Planning Association of Liberia, Medical Emergency Relief Cooperative International, Liberia Prevention of Maternal Mortality, World Health Organization, United Nations Family

Planning Association, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (subs).

Strengthen Civil Society (\$2,800,000 prior-year IDFA; \$1,045,000 DA). USAID will continue to strengthen the ability of CSOs to implement community-driven development projects in the areas of agriculture, education, water and sanitation, and literacy. The CSOs will also receive support to increase their civic advocacy activities related to elections, conflict mitigation, and human rights. Peace-building programs will expand the numbers of mediators and peace advocates; and encourage communities to interact and plan together through the implementation of joint projects. Principal grantees: Academy for Educational Development and CHF International (primes); and Mercy Corps (sub).

**FY 2006 Program:** Address Conflict Transitional Issues (\$3,259,000 DA; \$68,000,000 ESF). USAID will expand its community-focused, post-war rehabilitation and reconstruction activities. In addition to programs that encourage ex-combatants and other war-affected persons to return to their communities of origin, these war-affected persons will receive training in agriculture, masonry, roof tiling, and business skills. USAID will also expand activities to diversify crops and increase market access.

Improve Child Survival, Health and Nutrition (\$2,900,000 CSH). USAID will expand its primary and reproductive health care activities in targeted communities; increase its HIV/AIDS activities; further address the institutional strengthening and organizational development needs of Liberian NGOs and county health teams; and continue, as well as expand, support for the development of in-service training for health care personnel.

Strengthen Civil Society (\$499,000 DA). USAID will continue to strengthen CSOs, with added focus on business associations that can advocate for an enabling environment for private sector development.

Improve the Quality of Basic Education (\$3,000,000 DA). Efforts to provide formal and informal learning opportunities will continue. In addition, USAID plans to increase its emphasis on basic education by providing equipment, textbooks and technical assistance to the Ministry of Education. This will build the capacity of the education system to provide in-service teacher training, develop curriculum, and improve access for female and male students.

Strengthen Democratic Governance Institutions (\$1,100,000 DA; \$7,000,000 ESF). USAID will build capacity for a functional national government by training newly elected government officials. In order to fill the leadership vacuum left by years of civil war and corrupt leaders, USAID will establish a leadership development program to provide scholarships for Liberian youth to earn college and post-graduate degrees to gain the skills and knowledge required of a new generation of leaders.

Same implementers as FY 2005, plus others to be determined.

All family planning assistance agreements will incorporate clauses that implement the President's directive restoring the Mexico City Policy.

**Performance and Results:** USAID has created more than 500,000 days of direct employment for more than 10,000 ex-combatants and other unemployed Liberians. This employment program improved over 1,500 kilometers of road, repaired clinics, schools and administrative buildings, and cleared over 1,000 acres of brush. Programs also re-united thousands of children associated with the fighting forces with their families, and provided protection and psychosocial services to hundreds of women. The primary health care program was re-started and provided services to over 500,000 people in 450 targeted communities through its network of 40 clinics. In FY 2004 USAID provided 85% of the commodities used to support Liberia's reproductive health program and to fight STIs and HIV/AIDS. By the end of this transitional program, hundreds of villages will benefit from improved social, political and economic conditions; tens of thousands of Liberians will have been peacefully reintegrated into their communities; and acceptable elections will have been held with nonviolent aftermath.

## **US Financing in Thousands of Dollars**

Liberia

669-006 Community Revitalization and Reintegration	сѕн	DA	ESF	IDA
Through September 30, 2003				
Obligations	0	0	0	0
Expenditures	0	0	0	0
Unliquidated	0	0	0	C
Fiscal Year 2004				
Obligations	0	0	0	26,134
Expenditures	0	0	0	2,374
Through September 30, 2004				
Obligations	0	0	0	26,134
Expenditures	0	0	0	2,374
Unliquidated	0	0	0	23,760
Prior Year Unobligated Funds				
Obligations	1,000	0	0	45,266
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA				
Obligations	4,471	6,854	24,800	C
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005				
Obligations	5,471	6,854	24,800	45,266
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA				
Obligations	2,900	7,858	75,000	0
Future Obligations	0	0	0	C
Est. Total Cost	8,371	14,712	99,800	71,400