Data Sheet

USAID Mission:

Program Title:

Strengthened Humanitarian Responses to Crises
Pillar:

Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance

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Status: Continuing
Planned FY 2006 Obligation: \$1,980,000 FSA

Prior Year Unobligation: \$1,960,000 FSA
Prior Year Unobligated: \$658,000 FSA
Proposed FY 2007 Obligation: \$1,800,000 FSA
Year of Initial Obligation: 1998

Estimated Year of Final Obligation: 2007

Summary: This strategic objective supports critical shelter and health needs, de-mining activities, and a micro-lending program in Nagorno-Karabakh (NK). It provides subsistence level humanitarian assistance to victims of the NK conflict. It aims at meeting people's basic needs in shelter, water, health, and other infrastructure.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2006 Program:

Expand and Improve Access to Economic and Social Infrastructure (\$1,980,000 FSA, \$150,000 FSA carryover, \$507,809 FSA prior year recoveries). USAID will address humanitarian needs by supporting housing and school repairs, primary health care, potable water/sanitation, and subsistence agriculture. With regard to shelter, work will focus on repairs to damaged houses identified through assessments. In health, earlier NK programs focused on meeting the most urgent child survival and safe motherhood needs and priorities by repairing district maternity wards and village level health posts. The current program will provide needed additional repairs to central and regional hospital departments (e.g. emergency care and infectious diseases) and polyclinics, and provide training, basic equipment, and essential pharmaceuticals, with a continued focus on the most critical health needs, including child survival, primary health care, and post-war trauma. Training will continue to stress fundamental medical principles including hygiene and pre- and post-natal care. De-mining work, micro-finance lending, and business training will also continue. Implementers: Fund for Armenian Relief, Halo Trust, United Methodist Community on Relief (UMCOR).

FY 2007 Program:

Expand and Improve Access to Economic and Social Infrastructure (\$1,800,000 FSA). Renovation or strengthening of housing, upgrade of potable water and irrigation systems, and school repairs will remain the focus of the humanitarian assistance program in NK in 2007. Activities in support of the primary health care will focus on child survival, pre-natal and post-natal care, and emergency care, prevention of infectious diseases and provision of essential pharmaceuticals. In addition to rural health posts and policlinics, central and regional hospital departments will be repaired and refurbished through the programs. De-mining work will continue with a focus on the remaining 6-7 million sq. meters in need of clearance, as well as training.

Performance and Results: Under the de-mining project, USAID-funded teams cleared 11 million square meters of land in NK out of an estimated 17 million square meters needing clearance. Halo Trust, the demining project implementer, conducted Mine Risk Education trainings in villages that are at risk. As of September 2005, 264 "Danger mines!" signs were posted to indicate 138 minefields in local communities. Since its inception in 1998, USAID's micro-finance program has extended 11,400 subsistence loans to roughly 4,000 clients. Average loan size is \$450. The program is implemented by UMCOR. Under the reconstruction and health contract, the contractor completed renovation of 75 shelters, 20 rural health posts, eight drinking water projects, and one irrigation water system in the Askeran district in NK; in Mardakert region, renovation of 69 shelters is completed, 134 is underway; three water projects are completed and three are close to completion. Continued progress in this objective will contribute to meeting the humanitarian needs of the residents in the Nagorno-Karabakh region.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Eurasia Regional

FSA
25,974
20,645
5,329
2,000
0
27,974
20,645
7,329
658
1,980
2,638
1,800
0
32,412