

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Vietnam
Program Title:	Assistance to Selected Vulnerable Groups
Pillar:	Global Health
Strategic Objective:	440-007
Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:	\$6,600,000 CSH
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$1,003,000 CSH; \$229,000 DA
Proposed FY 2005 Obligation:	\$5,700,000 CSH
Year of Initial Obligation:	FY 1991
Year of Final Obligation:	FY 2008

Summary: The overall goals of health and humanitarian program assistance in Vietnam are to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS and mitigate its effects on those infected and affected by HIV; assist in the development of opportunities for displaced children and orphans and people with disabilities; reduce infant, under five, and maternal mortality; mitigate the effects of disasters; and prevent trafficking in persons.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2004 Program:

Prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS (\$4,500,000 CSH). USAID will help prevent and mitigate the effects of the explosive HIV/AIDS epidemic in Vietnam. The funds will be used to develop the capacity of Vietnamese institutions to develop policies and implementation plans for HIV/AIDS; to improve the national second generation HIV surveillance system; and to continue to expand prevention activities within selected provinces for at-risk populations. USAID efforts will promote training, education, policy advocacy, and condom social marketing for the prevention of HIV/AIDS and related sexually transmitted diseases. Funds will support the dissemination of stigma and discrimination research findings and the development of HIV/AIDS anti-stigma materials. New activities will include the development of effective harm reduction and HIV/AIDS prevention for the nation's rapidly-growing intravenous drug using population, the development of new and effective models for care and support, capacity building, and networking for people living with HIV/AIDS, technical assistance in rolling out the national strategy for HIV/AIDS at the provincial level, and the development of a national-level institutionalized training curriculum for policy makers to implement a multisectoral response to the epidemic. The program implementers are Family Health International, the POLICY Project, and the International Center for Research on Women. In FY 2004, USAID will also select one new partner with which to work.

Displaced children and orphans (DCOF) (\$1,300,000 CSH, \$1,003,000 CSH Prior Year Unobligated). USAID DCOF programs will continue to support children with disabilities (CWDs) through advocacy, national and local-level awareness raising the needs of CWDs, inclusive education for primary school children, and vocational training and job creation for adolescents with disabilities. The program implementers are Catholic Relief Services, World Concern Development Organization, Pearl S. Buck International, Save the Children US, and the Hesperian Foundation.

Other vulnerable children (OVC) (\$800,000 CSH). Funds programmed for "Other Vulnerable Children" will be used to finance activities assisting blind children, including prevention and treatment activities; assisting orphans; supporting NGOs that work with children and adolescents with cognitive and/or physical disabilities; and working to prevent abusive child labor and trafficking in children.

Leahy War Victims Fund (LWVF) (\$229,000 DA Prior Year Unobligated). USAID is also helping vulnerable groups gain access to services through use of the Leahy War Victims Fund (LWVF). LWVF funds will be used to promote rights and opportunities for people with disabilities (PWDs) by reinforcing the implementation of a legal framework to protect the rights of PWDs, enforcing barrier-free access

nationally for PWDs, improving the capacity of government institutions to provide quality assistive devices for PWDs, and supporting the establishment and development of self-help groups for PWDs.

Trafficking (fully-funded). USAID will use funds previously appropriated to continue to support the rehabilitation and reintegration of trafficked women and children who have returned to Vietnam. This project will also help raise the capacity of the Vietnamese Women's Union in managing and coordinating activities against trafficking in persons. The program is being implemented through the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

FY 2005 Program:

Prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS (\$3,400,000 CSH). With increased HIV/AIDS resources, USAID anticipates expanding effective programs within selected provinces, developing provincial level implementation plans and institutional capacity, promoting an effective policy environment, improving surveillance; and expanding model interventions for care and support. Program implementers will be the same as in FY 2004.

Displaced children and orphans (\$1,200,000 CSH). DCOF funding will be used to support a comprehensive approach to disability-related programs including education, advocacy and employment in focused provinces. Program implementers will likely be Catholic Relief Services, World Concern Development Organization, Pearl S. Buck International, and Save the Children US.

Performance and Results: USAID Vietnam's programs in the disabilities and HIV/AIDS sectors seek to build capacity at both the national and local levels and to contribute to the development and implementation of advocacy, policies, and strategies in these sectors. This year's USAID-funded research on the socio-economic impact of HIV/AIDS has contributed to the development of the first National Strategy on HIV/AIDS in Vietnam. FHI's prevention program effectively reached 3,733 injecting drug users, about 7,188 prostitutes, and more than 115,746 high-risk men with messages about safe behaviors and harm reduction through innovative one-to-one peer education outreach in the workplace. Millions were reached with HIV/AIDS prevention, care, and support messages through USAID-supported mass media behavior change campaigns in focal provinces. With USAID assistance, PWDs in Vietnam have enjoyed greater opportunities, legal support and better services. Children with disabilities have been identified and helped to join normal school programs as well as to participate in vocational training. The National Coordinating Council on Disabilities has expanded its membership to include key Ministries and, with the active participation of PWDs, has begun efforts to undertake comprehensive strategic planning to assure a coordinated multisectoral response to meeting the needs of PWDs.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Vietnam

440-007 Assistance to Selected Vulnerable Groups	CSH	DA
Through September 30, 2002		
Obligations	10,456	21,217
Expenditures	4,558	19,707
Unliquidated	5,898	1,510
Fiscal Year 2003		
Obligations	4,500	1,507
Expenditures	4,912	1,694
Through September 30, 2003		
Obligations	14,956	22,724
Expenditures	9,470	21,401
Unliquidated	5,486	1,323
Prior Year Unobligated Funds		
Obligations	1,003	229
Planned Fiscal Year 2004 NOA		
Obligations	6,600	0
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2004		
Obligations	7,603	229
Proposed Fiscal Year 2005 NOA		
Obligations	5,700	0
Future Obligations	9,200	0
Est. Total Cost	37,459	22,953