

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	LAC Regional
Program Title:	Program Development and Learning
Pillar:	Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade
Strategic Objective:	598-020
Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:	\$5,105,000 CSH; \$2,035,000 DA
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$321,000 CSH
Proposed FY 2005 Obligation:	\$272,000 CSH; \$1,349,000 DA
Year of Initial Obligation:	FY 2001
Year of Final Obligation:	Continuing

Summary: USAID's Program Development and Learning (PD&L) funded activities include: 1) technical advice and recommendations on sectoral issues; identification of trends that have regional implications; and analysis of regional, sub-regional, and cross-border issues; 2) development of new strategies or the refinement of existing strategies; improved quality of USAID country strategic plans; and identification and integration of cross-cutting themes into Operating Units' programs for enhancing complementarities among programs and overall program synergy; 3) identification of more effective ways to implement programs; analysis of performance, problems, and lessons-learned; 4) assessments to inform decisions regarding emergency responses; 5) increased integration of U.S. Government assistance provided bilaterally or regionally; and 6) compliance with Agency and U.S. Government regulations.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2004 Program:

Program Development and Learning (\$5,105,000 CSH; \$2,035,000 DA). USAID resources will support a wide variety of activities, including studies, analyses, assessments and evaluations; program design and development; and learning efforts for proposed activities and/or programs that are under consideration but do not yet fall within an existing strategic plan or objective. Examples include the studies and analyses needed to develop a new country strategy, design of a new program that does not yet exist or the evaluation of a completed program. In other cases, it may be too cumbersome and inefficient to include a particular activity within the construct of a single program. For example, a USAID Country Mission might need to access technical assistance for work covering multiple programs, cross-border or regional analyses, design work, or evaluations. The grantees, contractors and/or implementing agencies are determined after specific tasks are identified.

FY 2005 Program:

Program Development and Learning (\$272,000 CSH and \$1,349,000 DA). FY 2005 resources will be used to support a Mission's PD&L activities in order to fund studies, analyses, assessments, and evaluations; facilitate new strategy designs and supporting analyses; undertake program design and development; and develop learning efforts. The grantees, contractors, and/or implementing agencies are determined after specific task are identified.

Performance and Results: In FY 2003, the use of PD&L resources benefited countries region wide to either analyze constraints or develop new programs critical to the achievement of regional development objectives. For example, resources were used to fund a team to undertake a region wide condom distribution assessment survey; an assessment of the health needs in Ecuador; development of bureau-level performance indicators, as a result of the Office of Management and Budget's Performance Assessment Rating Tool exercise; and research and development services in support of various initiatives in the region. Funds were also used to support a democracy leadership conference in conjunction with the Department of State and the Blue Water to White Water Conference addressing environmental issues and the world's need for clean water.

PD&L activities will support programs in both presence and non-presence countries, as well as facilitate cross-border and regional analyses, studies and evaluative work. At the end of the program, LAC Bureau PD&L activities will have contributed to the achievement of Agency goals and objectives.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

LAC Regional

	CSH	DA
598-020 Program Development and Learning		
Through September 30, 2002		
Obligations	843	1,152
Expenditures	0	597
Unliquidated	843	555
Fiscal Year 2003		
Obligations	0	0
Expenditures	0	0
Through September 30, 2003		
Obligations	843	1,152
Expenditures	0	597
Unliquidated	843	555
Prior Year Unobligated Funds		
Obligations	321	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2004 NOA		
Obligations	5,105	1,995
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2004		
Obligations	5,426	1,995
Proposed Fiscal Year 2005 NOA		
Obligations	222	1,349
Future Obligations	0	0
Est. Total Cost	6,491	4,496