## **Data Sheet**

USAID Mission: Jordan

Program Title: Social Sector Development and Governance

Pillar: Global Health Strategic Objective: 278-009

Status: New in FY 2004
Planned FY 2005 Obligation: \$37,500,000 FSF

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Prior Year Unobligated: \$0

Proposed FY 2006 Obligation: \$43,000,000 ESF Year of Initial Obligation: 2004

Estimated Year of Final Obligation: 2009

**Summary:** USAID/Jordan will improve health care, reform key elements of Jordan's primary and secondary education system, and strengthen governance. Improving the status of women will be at the forefront of USAID/Jordan's activities throughout all programming areas. Due to the breadth of USAID's programs in Jordan, it is anticipated that every citizen in Jordan will benefit from USAID's activities.

## Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

**FY 2005 Program:** Reduce Unintended Pregnancy And Improve Healthy Reproductive Behavior (\$12,100,000 ESF). USAID will strengthen and expand primary health, reproductive health, family planning, and safe motherhood services and information. A network of 200 private sector providers will be established to serve clients referred through an outreach system. Increased demand for family planning will be generated through local non-governmental organization (NGO) services and outreach at a national level. Principal Contractors: John Snow, Inc., Abt Associates, Inc., Initiatives (sub), Informed Decisions (sub), and Transcentury Associates (sub).

Build Health Systems Capacity (\$3,900,000 ESF). USAID will provide assistance to the Ministry of Health to strengthen health systems through hospital accreditation, hospital decentralization, and related initiatives. USAID also will improve the policy environment for family planning and reproductive health, and help Jordan achieve contraceptive security by improving public sector contraceptive marketing. Principal Contractors: The Futures Group International, Abt Associates, Inc., MACRO, John Snow, Inc.

Reduce Non-Communicable Diseases And Injuries (\$1,000,000 ESF). The existing Ministry of Health surveillance system for chronic and infectious diseases, including HIV/AIDS, will be expanded and institutionalized through technical assistance and the training of 20 health professionals. Principal Contractor: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Improve Child Survival, Health And Nutrition (\$2,200,000 ESF). USAID will support the development of a national health communication strategy to promote healthy lifestyles and build national capacity. This will ensure the sustainability of behavior change interventions. Principal Contractor: Johns Hopkins.

Reduce Transmission And Impact Of HIV/AIDS (\$800,000 ESF). USAID will provide technical assistance in counseling and surveillance to the National AIDS Prevention Program to keep Jordan a low prevalence country. Principal Contractor: Family Health International.

Improve the Quality of Basic Education (\$7,640,000 ESF). USAID will continue to support the development of up to 15 e-curriculum modules to transform how Jordanians learn; launch a pilot school-to-work program; and renovate up to 120 kindergartens (KG). USAID will also field test a new KG curriculum, train about 400 public KG teachers, and institutionalize an accreditation and standards system. Principal Contractors: Academy for Educational Development (AED), Research Triangle Institute (sub), and American Institutes for Research (sub).

Improve Quality of Workforce (\$1,000,000 ESF). USAID will continue to support school-to-work programs and the adoption of computers in 100 classrooms to decrease high youth unemployment. USAID also will continue to provide scholarships for 500 (mostly female) youth to acquire computer skills and other life skills for private sector employment. Principal Contractors: AED, United Nations Development Fund for

Women, and United Nations Children's Fund.

Improve Justice Sector/Legal Framework (\$4,000,000 ESF). USAID will continue to support the automation of case management in 30 of 75 courthouses, improve judicial independence, and enhance judicial integrity. Assistance will also include training for more than 600 court staff and the revamping of judicial processes and regulations. In addition, USAID will provide grants to 20 local civil society organizations to decrease corruption and develop curriculum to improve the performance of Jordan's only judicial training center. Principal Contractors: DPK Consulting, Inc., American Bar Association-Central and Eastern European Law Initiative, and others to be determined (TBD).

Strengthen Democratic National Governance Institutions (\$1,460,000 ESF). USAID will train 110 members of parliament and 70 legislative staff and strengthen committee structures. USAID will provide limited information technology equipment to promote wide dissemination of parliamentary voting records. In addition, technical support will be provided to civil society to strengthen advocacy on key issues such as women's and human rights and anticorruption. Principal Contractors: TBD.

Establish And Ensure Media Freedom And Freedom Of Information (\$500,000 ESF). Under this new program, USAID will support increased media freedom through policy reform, limited journalist training, and privatization of public sector media outlets. Principal Contractors: TBD.

Strengthen Civil Society (\$1,500,000 ESF). USAID will expand assistance to 20 local civil society organizations to strengthen their internal management systems, improve strategic planning, and promote greater networking. Support will also target policy reform and advocacy. Principal Contractors: Department of State and others TBD.

Support Democratic Local Government And Decentralization (\$1,400,000 ESF). USAID will promote local empowerment by improving municipal planning, outreach, and management of public resources. USAID will also assist the Government of Jordan to develop Jordan's National Decentralization Strategy. Principal Contractors: Research Triangle Institute and others TBD.

**FY 2006 Program:** Activities planned for FY 2006 continue ongoing programming. Planned funding levels for these programs are as follows: Reduce Unintended Pregnancy and Improve Healthy Reproductive Behavior (\$8,900,000 ESF); Build Health Systems Capacity (\$4,300,000 ESF); Reduce Non-Communicable Diseases and Injuries (\$1,000,000 ESF); Improve Child Survival, Health and Nutrition (\$2,000,000 ESF); Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$800,000 ESF); Improve the Quality of Basic Education (\$10,750,000 ESF); Improve Quality of Workforce (\$1,250,000 ESF); Improve Justice Sector/Legal Framework (\$5,500,000 ESF); Strengthen Democratic National Governance Institutions (\$2,500,000 ESF); Establish and Ensure Media Freedom and Freedom of Information (\$1,000,000 ESF); Strengthen Civil Society (\$1,000,000 ESF); and Support Democratic Local Government and Decentralization (\$4,000,000 ESF).

**Performance and Results:** USAID achieved a number of key results in 2004. In health, USAID is contributing to a 20% decrease in the fertility rate by 2009, improving life expectancy rates, and lowering infant mortality rates. USAID has renovated more than 75% of primary health clinics; contributed to a gradual increase in the national contraceptive prevalence rate; expanded health insurance coverage; and institutionalized a disease surveillance system. Achievements in the education sector include: training of 200 KG principals, 147 teachers, and 30 supervisors on new early childhood education curriculum; training of 400 high school teachers and 30 supervisors on Information, Communications, and Technology (ICT); and improving the ICT curriculum. In the governance sector, USAID contributed to strengthening parliamentary capacity, enhancing NGO engagement in policy-making, promoting greater media freedom, improving women's status, and contributing to a more efficient court system. This last result was accomplished through an automated case management system that was installed in Jordan's largest courthouse, dramatically decreasing the backlog of cases by more than 10%.

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

Jordan

278-009 Social Sector Development and Governance	ESF
Through September 30, 2003	
Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	0
Fiscal Year 2004	
Obligations	32,850
Expenditures	1,590
Through September 30, 2004	
Obligations	32,850
Expenditures	1,590
Unliquidated	31,260
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA	
Obligations	37,500
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005	
Obligations	37,500
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA	
Obligations	43,000
Future Obligations	175,000
Est. Total Cost	288,350