## **Data Sheet**

**USAID Mission:**LAC Regional

Program Title: Program Development and Learning

**Pillar:** Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade

Strategic Objective: 598-020

Status: Continuing

**Planned FY 2005 Obligation:** \$451,000 CSH; \$277,000 DA

Prior Year Unobligated: \$0

**Proposed FY 2006 Obligation:** \$499,000 CSH; \$1,470,000 DA

Year of Initial Obligation: 2001

**Estimated Year of Final Obligation:** 

**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 2005 Program: Program Development and Learning (\$451,000 CSH; \$277,000 DA): USAID resources will support a wide variety of activities including 1) studies, analyses, assessments and evaluations; 2) program design and development; and 3) learning efforts for proposed activities and/or programs that are under consideration but do not yet fall within an existing strategic plan or objective. Resources will support Washington International Cooperative Administrative Support Services (ICASS) costs as well as technical assistance for Bureau webpage oversight, and research and economic analyses. Examples include the studies and analyses needed to develop a new country strategy, design of a new program, 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 2006 Program:** Program Development and Learning (\$499,000 CSH; \$1,470,000 DA). FY 2006 resources will be used to support 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. Resources will also be used to provide ICASS support in Washington and technical assistance for the maintenance of the Bureau's webpage, research and economic analyses. The grantees, contractors, and/or implementing agencies are determined after specific task are identified.

**Performance and Results:** In FY 2004, 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, as a result of the Office of Management and Budget's Performance Assessment Rating Tool exercise, resources were used to continue the development of bureau-level performance indicators. In addition, USAID funded research and development services in support of various congressional earmarks and directives. PD&L

resources were used to support trade and economic capacity building conferences attended by Haiti Diaspora businessmen, addressing poverty alleviation issues and Haiti's need for economic stability. USAID planned and conducted a workshop to facilitate Central America and Mexico Missions to strategize how to integrate health and education sectors. USAID also funded a trends analysis of reproductive health surveys in Central America and Mexico; an assessment of the health needs in Ecuador; and payment for Washington ICASS support costs.

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

LAC Regional

598-020 Program Development and Learning	сѕн	DA
Through September 30, 2003		
Obligations	843	1,152
Expenditures	0	597
Unliquidated	843	555
Fiscal Year 2004		
Obligations	2,847	4,169
Expenditures	0	(
Through September 30, 2004		
Obligations	3,690	5,321
Expenditures	0	597
Unliquidated	3,690	4,724
Prior Year Unobligated Funds		
Obligations	0	(
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA		
Obligations	451	277
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005		
Obligations	451	277
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA		
Obligations	499	1,470
Future Obligations	0	(
Est. Total Cost	4,640	7,068