TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT SUMMARY

SUPPORTING THE TIME-BOUND PROGRAM ON THE Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor in El Salvador (Phase II)		
THE AMERICAS/El Salvador		
September 30, 2006 – July 30, 2010		
FY 2006: USD 3,380,000		
As of 2005, about 207,000 children aged 5 to 17 years work in El Salvador, with more the 60% not being paid for their work and half working in hazardous forms of child labor. Children work in sugar cane production, fishing, and garbage dumps. Gaps and weaknesses are evident within existing government and private efforts to combat WFCL, such as a lack of coordination of child labor prevention efforts with the Poverty Reduction Program Solidarity Network, development of a nationwide child labor monitoring system, general public and key decision maker awareness raising, and community level capacity building.		
The project withdrew 3,369 children and prevented 9,555 children from the worst forms of child labor, particularly in sugarcane plantations, fishing, and commercial sexual exploitation.		
Development Objective: To contribute to the elimination of the worst forms of child labor in El Salvador.		
Intermediate Objectives:		
 Enhance capacity of the government and key actors to implement the National Plan of Action against child labor in the framework of relevant antipoverty, education and other programs; and Develop and document effective, replicable child labor reduction models at the local level. 		
 Develop and promote use of a national Child Labor Monitoring System; Advocate for inclusion of child labor concerns in national policies and programs; Encourage generation and analysis of data on child labor issues, and provide updated baseline data; Create greater awareness of the hazards of child labor and benefits of its elimination; Support curriculum and non-formal education 		
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	 development by the Ministry of Education; Promote health care and reduce occupational health hazards; Establish and assist local child protection committees with pertinent agencies; Improve skills for targeted parents and adolescents; and Assist target municipalities in incorporating child labor issues into their economic and social policies.
Grantee	International Labor Organization's International Program on the Elimination of Child Labor (ILO-IPEC)
IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS	FUSAL, PADECOMSM, and ASAPROSAR.
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