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# OFFICE OF LOCAL SUSTAINABILITY

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The Small Project Assistance Program (SPA) is a 35-year-old collaboration between USAID and Peace Corps to support local community development. SPA is driven by the two agencies' common commitment to reaching motivated communities with locally-driven, effective, sustainable interventions led by trained Peace Corps Volunteers living and working in hard-to-reach communities. SPA empowers local leaders to lead and own development solutions and processes in the present and into the future. The Peace Corps and USAID support community-level development projects in several sectors, including: health, education, agriculture, gender equality, and small enterprise development.

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Since 2000, nearly \$44 million in USAID funds have leveraged over \$34 million in local community contributions and third party contributions. This has allowed the United States Government to support more than 25,000 grants, nearly 3,000 technical training courses, and reach around 30 million people.

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