



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS TO COMBAT TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

The Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons (TIP Office) provides U.S. foreign assistance to combat human trafficking outside of the United States. The global trends and country-specific recommendations in the annual *Trafficking in Persons (TIP) Report* guide the Office's foreign assistance strategy each year. The TIP Office supports a variety of anti-trafficking approaches and is committed to supporting cross-cutting programs that address prosecution, protection, and prevention. An open and competitive grant application and interagency review process is conducted annually to fund projects in a select number of countries, as well as regional and global projects. During the past year, U.S. support has enabled grantees to help develop and enact anti-trafficking laws, increase capacity and awareness to combat human trafficking, and meet the varied protection needs of victims. The following examples highlight some of these efforts.

ENACTING ANTI-TRAFFICKING LAWS

In **Botswana**, collaboration between a TIP Office grantee and the government led to the passage of Botswana's first anti-trafficking law in July 2014.

In **Burundi**, a grantee worked in partnership with the government to develop anti-trafficking legislation that was passed in October 2014.

DEVELOPING ANTI-TRAFFICKING LEGISLATION

Regionally, in the Southern African Development Community, the TIP Office supports work in member countries, including **Namibia** and **Swaziland**, where governments are strengthening legal frameworks to combat trafficking in persons by drafting or amending laws to criminalize human trafficking and increase protections for victims.

In **Chad, Kenya, Laos, Morocco, the Republic of the Congo, and Tunisia**, draft legislation was developed or revised with TIP Office support.

IMPROVING ANTI-TRAFFICKING FRAMEWORKS

In **Albania**, a grantee supported the development of regional action plans, which align with the government's National Action Plan Against Trafficking of Persons, to address the unique situation of trafficking in four districts.

ENHANCING CAPACITY OF INVESTIGATORS, PROSECUTORS, AND JUDGES

In **Brazil**, an anti-trafficking training funded by the TIP Office brought civil society representatives, criminal justice practitioners, and state government officials together to learn about promising practices in victim identification, assistance, and referral. This training emphasized the importance of strong coordination and facilitated interactive discussions on next steps for improvement.

In **Malaysia**, an anti-trafficking skills training enhanced the capacity of prosecutors, judges, and other criminal justice officials to conduct victim-centered prosecutions. Participant evaluations indicated the training increased knowledge of the victim-centered approach and would improve participant responses to future human trafficking cases.

In **Morocco**, the TIP Office supported train-the-trainer workshops on combating human trafficking for prosecutors, judges, and other criminal justice officials working to build capacity and ensure sustainability of training. These trained officials plan to deliver follow-up workshops in collaboration with the grantee in other provinces.

INCREASING PUBLIC AWARENESS AND GOVERNMENT COORDINATION TO COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

In **Honduras**, a grantee is assisting the government to strengthen implementation of the country's anti-trafficking law and has helped to leverage government financing for the interagency Commission against Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking. In partnership with the Commission, the grantee conducted a national public awareness campaign that led to widespread media coverage of anti-trafficking messages and a number of cases reported to the government and NGOs.

In member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), the TIP Office supported regional trainings for heads of specialist anti-trafficking police units on human trafficking investigations and victim interviewing. The training participants signed a declaration of solidarity on combating human trafficking to indicate the participants' commitment to enhance future collaborations.

PROVIDING VICTIM SERVICES

In **Uzbekistan**, a grant recipient provided previously unavailable recovery and reintegration services for male survivors of human trafficking returning from neighboring countries and Eastern Europe.

In **Ethiopia, India, Mexico, and Vietnam**, a grantee is helping young survivors of trafficking gain economic independence through a six-month vocational and life skills training program in the hotel service industry.

In **Jordan**, the TIP Office funded services, including shelter and medical care, for more than 60 migrant workers identified as victims of human trafficking.

In **Indonesia**, a grant recipient has assisted more than 800 trafficking victims with emergency services and developed a handbook of available government resources for victims.

In addition to these programs, the TIP Office maintains a **global victim assistance fund** to provide short-term direct assistance for trafficking victims overseas on an emergency case-by-case basis. In the past year, more than 70 victims of labor and/or sex trafficking received services, including shelter, medical care, repatriation, and reintegration assistance.

STRENGTHENING VICTIM PROTECTION IN CONFLICT-AFFECTED ENVIRONMENTS

In the **Democratic Republic of the Congo**, the TIP Office supports the only shelter for trafficking victims in South Kivu province. The organization provides comprehensive case management services, trauma-informed mental health care, and individualized economic reintegration support. More than 200 survivors have received grants to start small businesses and several have formed business associations.

TIP OFFICE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE DATA FROM FISCAL YEARS (FY) 2009–2014

Between 2009 and 2014, the TIP Office provided more than \$120 million in foreign assistance and supported over 380 projects to combat human trafficking around the world. Although not reflected in the chart below, the State Department and USAID fund additional anti-trafficking programming through bilateral foreign assistance.

OFFICE TO MONITOR AND COMBAT TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS BUDGET BY YEAR, BY ACCOUNT

	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
TOTAL FOREIGN ASSISTANCE RESOURCES BY FISCAL YEAR	\$20,400	\$21,262	\$16,233	\$18,720	\$20,723	\$24,041
Economic Support Fund	\$12,000	\$12,000	–	–	–	–
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	\$8,400	\$9,262	\$16,233	\$18,720	\$20,723	\$24,041

\$ in thousands for all items