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Action Against Hunger USA (AAH-USA)

Background:

Action Against Hunger is an international, non-governmental, non-religious organization that was created in Paris in 1979. Since then, the organization has developed within the framework of an interdependent international network, with headquarters in France, the US, the UK, and Spain. AAH delivers programs in over 40 countries, specializing in emergency situations of war, conflict, and natural emergency aid and longer-term assistance to people in disaster.

Action Against Hunger's mission is to save lives by combating hunger and malnutrition, physical suffering and the associated distress that endangers the lives of children, women, and men in emergency situations of war, conflict, and natural disaster. The ultimate goal is to help vulnerable populations regain their self-sufficiency for long term sustainability.

Activities:

AAH's involvement typically begins with emergency relief in response to a crisis, but relief is always reinforced by longer term programs enabling victims to regain their autonomy and the means to live independent of external aid. In the short term, AAH addresses hunger and malnutrition by providing food and water in emergency situations. In the long term, AAH provides training in nutrition, food security, water and sanitation, and health care to ensure self-sufficiency and help to rebuild communities.

Water & Sanitation Programs:

AAH provides access to safe drinking water (drilling wells, tapping springs, installing water systems) and trains local teams and communities to maintain equipment and in the field of awareness raising.

Projects examples:

Ethiopia Afar region: renovation of wells and water reservoir, construction, renovation and maintenance of water points.

Honduras El Paraiso district: supply of drinking water; training in environmental health education; health and hygiene education and promotion; training of technical staff.

Pakistan Quetta region: improvement of hygiene conditions (supply of drinking water and supervision of the quality of water, installation of sanitary equipment, education and hygiene); rehabilitation and rationalization of the hydraulic networks; cartography of the hydraulic resources.

Other activities:

Nutrition Programs especially aimed at children; Food Security Programs: AAH distributes seeds and tools as well as conduct training programs in income-generating activities such as farming, gardening, animal breeding, and food conservation; Health Programs: AAH's public health programs train medical staff, provide medicine, monitor and control epidemics, and rehabilitate clinics.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Angola, Burundi, dem. Rep. Congo, Ethiopia, Guinea, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Liberia Mali, Malawi, Niger, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Uganda, Zimbabwe

Asia & Middle East: Afghanistan, Cambodia, East-Timor, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Laos, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Palestinian Territories

Central America & Caribbean: Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Nicaragua

South America: Argentine, Bolivia, Colombia

Eastern Europe & Newly Independent States: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Russia (=Chechnya, Ingushetia), Tajikistan

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Agros Foundation

Background:

Agros is a faith-based public charity established in 1982 that works to help rural poor families in developing countries break free from poverty. This is done by helping the rural poor to acquire land, build village infrastructure, develop as individuals, create strong community organizations, and develop economic capacity.

Activities:

Building Village Infrastructure: Agros helps families and villages build necessary infrastructure like houses, community centers, access roads, electrical connections, irrigation and potable water systems.

Project examples:

Agros currently supports fifteen developing communities in El Salvador, Guatemala and Nicaragua.

Other activities:

Acquiring Land: The purchase of land on behalf of rural poor families to give them basic means to sustain themselves and legal title when they pay back the cost of the land.

Developing as Individuals: Helping individuals realize their potential through basic health, hygiene and nutrition; elementary education for children; literacy for adults; and specialized training in agriculture and small business management.

Creating Strong Community Organizations: Facilitating the creation and strengthening of village organizations and the development of local leadership so that communities can feel empowered and direct their own development.

Developing Economic Capacity: Helping rural poor families become economically self-sustaining through training in appropriate agricultural technologies, small business development services, affordable credit, and money and debt management education.

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Aidlink

Background:

Aidlink was founded in 1982 with the limited objective of financially supporting the social and economic development work of the Spiritan (Holy Ghost) Missionaries in the Third World. Since then it has broadened its remit significantly. Aidlink aims to relieve Third World poverty by supporting small to medium sized development programmes facilitated by missionaries and local NGOs.

Activities:

Aidlink gives priority to projects that focus on basic needs such as primary health care, education, water and sanitation, AIDS and the care of street children. Accessing and distributing funds to these projects that are generally small community developmental in nature, and are likely to become self-sufficient and have a long term impact.

Project examples:

Community based clean water supply Ejere District, Ethiopia: to provide safe, clean water.

Rock Catchments Turkana, Kenya: to construct 6 rock dams which catch and store rainwater to provide the whole of the arid North-Eastern Turkana with a basic water infrastructure.

Water and Sanitation project Thyolo District, Malawi: to provide clean water and sanitation, build the capacity, through training, of the target population to develop and maintain their own water and sanitation systems (includes educating the local community with regard to water, sanitation and hygiene issues).

Community managed water, hygiene and sanitation improvement Wakiso, Uganda: to increase the availability of clean and safe water from 7% to 50% for the population.

Other activities:

Empowering and building capacities so that local people can operate, manage and control their own community projects. Several projects in the field of agriculture: livestock projects especially poultry and dairy farming, and also bee-keeping and honey processing projects.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

Asia: Bangladesh

Latin America: Brazil, Colombia, Mexico

Grant information: Grants range between € 1.000 and € 95.000.

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American Water Relief (AWR)

Background:

American Water Relief is a nonprofit organization for the improvement of life in poor countries of the Americas (notably Bolivia, Ecuador and Honduras) , through the provision of water and sanitation services.

Activities:

AWR's activities, aside from the construction of drinking water and waste disposal systems, also include water source protection, water user training and hygiene education.

AWR is different from other charitable organizations:

- They raise funds specifically to assist those with a great need and desire for water and sanitation systems;
- it funds poor villages where people are willing to support the program through their own funds and labor;
- On average, AWR provides only half of the entire cost of each project: The AWR funds help generate local matching contributions from public, private and village organizations, which account for the remainder of each project's funding. This financing approach assures that the local communities have a vested interest in the continued success of the project;
- AWR volunteers work directly with small villages. They help to design and construct water systems, training the villagers for the ongoing operations, maintenance and management of their water systems;
- All projects must defend the environment and protect local natural resources, especially water resources. Practical applications include watershed management programs for water sources, the improvement of construction practices (slope stabilization, rainwater runoff control, disease vector breeding-ground elimination, etc.), and wastewater treatment and water reuse, among others.

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Aqua for All (A4A)

Background:

To follow up on the successful 'Water Overbrugt Wereldwijd' project, KVWN (Royal Association of Drinking Water Supply in the Netherlands) was asked from many quarters to provide a structural continuation of the aid to water development projects in the world. KVWN and NVA (Dutch Association for Water Management) therefore decided to form the foundation.

Activities:

Aqua for All cooperates with established NGOs for the implementation of water projects. NGOs will provide project proposals and the A4A board will make choices. Important criteria for projects are: Real amelioration of the provision of drinking water, water management and sanitation; the poorest are the main

target group; structural, sustainable effects and close cooperation with the local population; possibilities for participation of Dutch enterprises.

Project example(s):

Aqua for All supports the water provision project for the Masai in Kenya. This project was started in 1998 by the Waterworks of Drenthe (WMD). Collaborating partner in this project is AMREF-Flying Doctors. In 5 years about 34 wells were rehabilitated in the Kajiado-district. More than 52.000 people and their cattle benefit from this project.

Geographic concentration:

Africa: Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Sudan, Tunisia, Zambia, Zimbabwe;
Asia: India; Latin America: Brazil, Nicaragua.

Grant information:

Total budget for projects in 2003: € 600.000.

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(Information collected 04/2004)

AWO International

Background:

Arbeiterwohlfahrt International is part of the German labour movement; it is an organisation of members which strives for a social and just society and exerts influence on policy. She is pursuing these objectives by commitment of volunteers and professional services for a social and just society. The aim of AWO is the initiation, promotion and implementation of development projects and the provision of emergency aid as an expression of the solidarity with the less-privileged.

Activities:

AWO's integrated rural development projects always include construction of drinking water and sanitary facilities.

Project examples:

India: Integrated rural development project Western Ghats.

Other activities:

Poverty reduction and food security - especially in rural zones - through reforestation and sustainable agriculture projects.

Health improvement projects: preventive measures as well as vaccinations, mother and child care, community health.

Social Affairs: human rights, and measures to fight social exclusion especially with regard to the position of women.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Ethiopia, Eritrea, Ghana, Mali, Mozambique, Namibia

Asia: India, Nepal, Philippines

Latin America: Chile, Nicaragua

South Eastern Europe: Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, Macedonia

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Bread and Water for Africa® (BWA)

Background:

Bread and Water for Africa® was created in 1986 as a project of Christian Relief Services to promote positive change in Africa by supporting and strengthening grassroots initiatives for community self-sufficiency, health and education. In 1998, Bread & Water for Africa® was incorporated as an independent non-profit, development organization, although its is an affiliate of Christian Relief Services.

Activities:

By enabling, encouraging, educating and supporting African people, BWA is helping to make long-term positive change. Projects are aimed at the improvement of the basic necessities of living, such as clean, accessible water, good, accessible medical care, schoolsbuildings, electricity and running water, safe places for women, children and organic, nutritious and accessible foods.

Project examples:

Uganda: Namunkanga Water Project: Community based program to provide education about clean water and the protection of the main village water source, Nambalala Spring.

Uganda: Gedado Development Programme: One deep water well was dug and taps put into place to serve three remote villages in Western Uganda. Program worked with local women to institute clean water health practices and brings health the community.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Ethiopia, Kenya, Mozambique, Sierra Leone, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

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ClearWater Project (CWP)

Background:

The Clearwater Project is a program of Higher Ground for Humanity a humanitarian organization founded by singer Jewel. HGH promotes global community development and human excellence by inspiring individual action.

The goal of the ClearWater Project is to provide solutions for people suffering from a lack of safe drinking water. ClearWater accomplishes this goal by working directly with individuals and communities to give them the tools, knowledge, and resources they need to improve the quality of their lives.

Activities:

CWP fulfills its mission by:

- offering relief and sustainable solutions to provide safe water to people in need;
- working with communities to protect clean water supplies while restoring contaminated sources;
- developing education and awareness programs to teach people about their specific water problems and how they can be solved;
- facilitating community involvement and empowering individuals in solving their own water needs;
- building alliances with other like-minded individuals and organizations intent on creating positive changes for global water health.

Geographic concentration:

Africa: Tanzania

Asia: Bangladesh, China=Tibet, India, Philippines

Central America: Honduras, Mexico

Additional information:

WaterPartners International has joined forces with the ClearWater Project to maximize a fund-raising campaign to support water projects in Bangladesh, India and the Phillipines. The matching commitments will double the proceeds raised by WaterPartners up to US\$ 150,000. The total of US\$ 300,000 will enable WaterPartners to fund several projects in Asia.

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(Information collected 03/2004)

Concern America

Background:

Concern America is a small development and refugee aid organization established in 1972. Concern is in the first place an organisation that provides technical assistance and services. It recruits and sends out professionals who serve as nonsalaried volunteers for two or more years. Medical doctors, public health specialists, educators, agriculturalists, engineers, and other experts are sent to share their skills and knowledge with community leaders. After eight to ten years in an area, the Concern America team leaves in place trained local people who are "capacitated" to continue the work and to bring it to neighboring communities.

Activities:

Concern America is active in development and humanitarian projects in the fields of: community health & nutrition, water, sanitation and appropriate technology,

agro-forestry and organic farming, income generation, literacy and women's projects.

Project examples:

Rosal (Q'eqchi' Communities), Guatemala: appropriate technology, environment, water, fuel-efficient stoves.

Chiapas, Mexico, indigenous municipalities: appropriate technology, water, fuel-efficient stoves project.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Guinea, Mozambique

Central America: El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico

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CORD

Background:

CORD (full name: Christian Outreach, Relief and Development) is a Christian relief and development agency which was established in 1967. CORD works in many countries of Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe, specifically aiming to assist two beneficiary groups: refugees or displaced communities and non-refugee marginalised communities.

Activities:

Setting up operational work in areas where there are no local NGOs; giving priority to areas where there are health concerns; encouraging self-reliance, the strengthening of local structures and to provide sustainable solutions to problems.

Project examples:

Albania, Gramsh district: a.o. improvement of the access to clean water; regeneration of degraded land through tree planting; increasing the economic activity in the district.

Mozambique, Mecanhelas district: working with local communities to provide clean water sources in villages throughout the district.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Mozambique, Nigeria, Tanzania, Zambia

Asia: Afghanistan, Cambodia, India, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand

South Eastern Europe: Albania

Grant information: Budget for project activities 2002 appr. £ 3 million

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Green Empowerment

Background:

Green Empowerment is a public charity whose mission it is to promote community-based renewable green energy projects and watershed preservation plans to generate social and environmental progress around the world.

Activities:

Projects are usually associated with: residential lighting and electricity; power for schools and clinics; energy for economic development and micro-enterprise; comprehensive community environmental plans and watershed protection; the protection, development and accessibility of potable water sources.

GE utilizes small hydropower, biomass, wind and solar power projects to energize communities and stimulate positive social and economic advances in an environmentally safe manner. All projects have a strong environmental protection component that includes watershed mapping, resource conservation, and restoration activities. The organisation assists with feasibility studies, project planning, technical training and project fundraising, looking to the local NGOs and communities to determine project priorities and goals.

Project examples:

Nicaragua: GE is helping to create a forest reserve, build a solar water pump and bring electricity to more campesinos.

Guatemala: construction of a micro hydro energy system to be owned and operated by a union of three rural villages.

Philippines: community-based organizing and construction of a new micro hydro system.

Geographical concentration:

Asia & Pacific: India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nepal, Papua New Guinea, Philippines

Central America: Guatemala, Nicaragua

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Institut zur Cooperation bei Entwicklungs-Projekten (ICEP)

Background:

The Institute for Cooperation in Development-Projects was founded in 1996. The work of ICEP is guided by the social teaching of the Catholic Church and by the Christian view of the person. ICEP's aim as an NGO is to be a professional partner in the carrying out of development projects. ICEP sees itself as a "social

enterprise": it combines its sense of solidarity with entrepreneurship. For ICEP, professional development work means making use of the available funds as efficiently as possible in service of the needy in the developing countries.

Activities:

ICEP supports development projects which are well-defined, vocationally-orientated and benefit the truly needy in developing countries. The main field of activity is poverty reduction. Investments in infrastructure, such as the construction of a well, can be financed too, given adequate participation from the beneficiaries in accordance with the dictum "help people to help themselves". Other fields of activities are capacity building and training, income-generating activities and sustainable development.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda

Central America: El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua

Grant information:

Microprojects with a budget between about € 2.000,- and € 10.000,-. Large projects and programmes around € 50.000,- usually for a 2 year period. For projects in Central America and East Africa ICEP receives a grant of up to 75% of the project costs from the Austrian Foreign Ministry. Projects which have access to the European Commission's co-financing programme, are subsidised for up to 85% of the project costs with public money.

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Just World Partners (JWP)

Background:

Just World Partners is a charity which was established in 1981 as the UK Foundation for the South Pacific. JWP is committed to a vision of a better and more equal world. JWP works in partnership with overseas NGOs to support, encourage and strengthen the work of local indigenous groups. Its aim is to create a fairer and more just world - by eradicating poverty and exploitation and creating opportunities for every individual.

Activities:

The projects supported by Just World Partners share one vital feature between them: the need for the project is identified by local partners in each of the countries where JWP works. From this central approach, grow programmes addressing a wide variety of local needs a.o. in the field of (drinking) water and sanitation. Furthermore projects regarding environmental conservation; poverty reduction (rural livelihoods); capacity building; conflict management; and health care.

Project examples:

Construction of water tanks in Bougainville and Papua New Guinea.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Senegal, Uganda

Asia: East-Timor, Indonesia=West Papua, Nepal, Philippines, Vietnam

Pacific: Fiji, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu

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Lifewater International

Background:

Founded in 1979 Lifewater International is a non-profit organization of Christian water resource specialists. Lifewater has currently over 150 volunteers serving, including well drillers, geologists, engineers, health care professionals, scientists and businessmen.

Activities:

Lifewater International exists to help rural villagers obtain safe water. Lifewater's approach is to "help people help themselves." This means that LI gives appropriate equipment and training to people so they can drill their own water wells and then go on to help their neighbors. Lifewater prefers to train a well drilling crew of nationals who will drill many water wells, either as a ministry or as a small business. Lifewater International makes a long-term commitment to give financial and technical support to that crew until they are able to support themselves.

Project example:

Lifewater's most successful strategy uses a small, portable well drilling machine. Then a well is constructed on which a hand pump is placed. Lifewater involves the local community through a water committee that participates in the selection and construction of the well. The water committee takes ownership of the well, establishes rules for its use and performs routine maintenance.

Geographical information:

Africa: Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Zambia

Asia & Pacific: Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solomon Islands

Central America & Caribbean: Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama

South America: Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru

Eastern Europe & Former Soviet Union: Kosovo, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Uzbekistan

Funding information:

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Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP)

Background:

The Presbyterian Hunger Program is a small department lodged within the Global Service and Witness work area of the Worldwide Ministries Division of the General Assembly Council of the Presbyterian Church USA, established in 1979.

Activities:

The PHP provides grants to programs addressing hunger and its causes around the world. Besides aid for relief of chronic hunger, development assistance for socio-economic activities is provided.

PHP supports water resource development and other water projects.

Other funding areas: projects that encourage and support land ownership by the poor, appropriate agricultural technology, rural community development, cooperative economic development, effective soil conservation, equitable food distribution and food cooperatives, agricultural and job training, community organization, nutrition education, public health and/or family planning, agricultural development, micro enterprise and micro credit, and nutrition education.

Projects examples:

Eritrea: Water and Soil Conservation Program: construction of small earth dams to retain water, reforestation and terracing activities.

Geographic concentration:

Africa: Cameroon, Dem. Rep. Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Mauritius, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, Sudan, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Asia: Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Philippines

Central America & Caribbean: Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Mexico, Nicaragua

South America: Argentine, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Peru, Uruguay

Central and Eastern Europe: Poland, Romania, Russia

Grant information:

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PROTOS

Background:

PROTOS is a NGO for development cooperation which was established in 1976. PROTOS has specialized in drinking water, hygiene, sanitation and the use of water for agricultural purposes. PROTOS advocates an equitable, participatory and sustainable water management in the North and the South.

Activities:

The main focus is the implementation of water projects to support local partners. Through their water projects the partners of PROTOS encourage the local population to join hands and to try and find solutions for their problems themselves. PROTOS provides general support and assistance to its local partners. At the same time PROTOS promotes the collaboration between local groups and local authorities. It also stimulates the debate on an equitable water management that pays attention to all users of water in the area and that meets the environmental needs.

In the field of services PROTOS carries out assessment studies, surveys and advisory tasks. PROTOS also produces publications and technical manuals about different aspects of the water issue and makes them available to third parties. Furthermore in the North advocacy, campaigning and awareness-raising regarding water issues.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Benin, Burkina Faso, Dem. Rep Congo, Mali, Rwanda, Uganda
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Relief International (RI)

Background:

Relief International, established in the 1990, is a humanitarian agency that provides emergency relief, rehabilitation, development assistance and programme services to the most vulnerable, particularly women and children, victims of

natural disasters, civil conflicts, and the poor worldwide with a specific focus on neglected groups.

RI provides holistic, multi-sectoral, sustainable, and pro-poor programs the bridge emergency relief and long-term development at a grassroots level. It empowers communities through capacities building and by maximizing local resources in program design and implementation.

Activities:

RI's programs provide a range of services that include emergency food, shelter, water and sanitation, and health interventions. RI emphasizes capacity building and transition to development, from the onset of emergency response through training and capacity building. Community programming methodology integrates access to water, sanitation, medical facilities, schooling, household gardening and income generation support through community based participation, management, and ownership.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Benin, Burundi, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Asia & Pacific: Afghanistan, Cambodia, China, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Laos, Mongolia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Philippines, Solomon Islands, Thailand, Vietnam

Central America & Caribbean: Beliza, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua

South America: Argentine, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Venezuela

Central and Eastern Europe: Bulgaria, Estonia, Lithuania, Romania, Russia=Chechnia), Ukrania

Newly Independent States: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan

South Eastern Europe: Albania, Bosnia-Herzegowina, Croatia, Iran, Iraq, Kosovo, Turkey

Middle East & Northern Africa: Egypt, Lebanon, Morocco, Yemen

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Rights Action (RA)

Background:

Rights Action was formerly known as Guatemala Partners. RA raises funds for and otherwise supports community-based development, disaster relief and human rights projects, in Latin America.

Activities:

Rights Action provides funds and technical support for the development, relief and human rights projects. The programme area on Land, Territory, Natural Resources & Cultural Rights promotes land security for communities as the first

step to sustainable development, and advocates for the responsible stewardship of resources necessary to ensuring healthy community development and respect for economic and social rights. Besides potable water and sanitation projects there are projects on sustainable management of forest resources; community control of natural resources; appropriate and sustainable farming; afforestation, protection and management of forest resources; construction and use of wood-saving stoves; support for communities and NGOs advocating for just distribution of land, including accessing land titles.

Project examples:

Guatemala: Buena Vista community - Revolving loan fund to install water project for a community of repatriated refugees.

Guatemala: Ximbaxuc community - Water project for community affected by war.

Geographic concentration:

Central America & Caribbean: El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico=Chiapas

South America: Peru

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Seva Foundation

Background:

Founded in 1978, the Seva Foundation builds partnerships to respond to locally defined problems with culturally sustainable solutions. The mission of the foundation is to seek long-term solutions that will support economic independence while remaining committed to environmentally sound methods with respect for the spiritual and cultural roots of individuals and communities.

Activities:

Seva serves through partnerships and projects that promote health, nutrition, education, economic sustainability, environmental protection, cultural survival, human dignity, and social and economic justice.

Seva supports a broad range of projects aimed at building healthy communities by promoting community (self-)development, health care measures and providing

economic stability. As a part of this infrastructure projects are implemented delivering complete potable water systems, latrines, electric systems and roofing.

Geographic concentration:

Africa: Tanzania

Asia: Cambodia, China=Tibet, India, Nepal

Central America: Guatemala, Mexico

Grant information:

Grants range from US\$ 500 to US\$ 15,000

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TERRA TECH

Background:

TERRA TECH Förderprojekte e.V. is a charitable NGO active in humanitarian aid and development programmes worldwide since 1986. Its aim is to provide financial and material support for health care projects in a structural way and/or in emergency situations.

Activities:

TERRA TECH's focus of activities is the health sector, including curative and preventative measures, water and sanitation, training, nutrition and construction of health facilities. In special emergencies TERRA TECH also provides other essential humanitarian aid like non-food-items to refugees.

Other fields of activities: capacity building/training, children/youth, conflict resolution/peace building, environment, income-generating activities, poverty reduction, refugees/migration, women/gender, handicapped, rural development.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Dem. Rep. Congo, Eritrea, Niger, Sierra Leone

Asia: Nepal

Central America: Mexico

Eastern Europe: Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, Russia, Ukraine Middle East &

Northern Africa: Morocco, Palestinian Territories

Grant information: Grants range between € 150 and € 250.000

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Water For People (W4P or WFP)

Background:

Water For People was founded in 1991 by water professionals from the American Water Works Association. In 1995 Water For People-Canada was founded. The organisation aims to help impoverished people worldwide to improve their quality of life by supporting locally sustainable drinking water, sanitation, and hygiene education projects. Water For People's approach is unique in that it designs partnerships to: work with local expertise; identify in-country organizations; involve community members; use the creativity of local people; build with locally available materials; provide maintenance training.

Activities:

Water For People provides families an opportunity to have safe drinking water and helps people build latrines to improve basic sanitation services and improve self-esteem. W4P supports health and hygiene education and involves local community members in efforts from start to finish so they take ownership of the entire project. It works through local partner organizations to build the skills of people so they can operate and maintain water and sanitation systems for years to come.

Project examples:

Water For Africa Programme (WFP/EPA): This is a unique partnership of Water for People and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) formed in 2000 recognizing the growing need in African urban centers for drinking water and sanitation.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Kenya, Malawi, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia
Asia & Pacific: India, Palau, Vietnam
Latin America: Bolivia, Guatemala, Honduras

Grant information:

Grants usually range between US\$1,000 - 10,000

Application details: Project proposal guidelines:

<http://www.waterforpeople.com/Projects%20and%20Programs/Proj%20Prog%20Downloads/Project%20Proposal%20Guidelines%202002.pdf>

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WaterAid

Background:

Founded in 1981, WaterAid has developed into one of the leading international NGOs in the global drinking water sector. WaterAid works through partner organisations to help poor people in developing countries achieve sustainable improvements in their quality of life by improved domestic water supply, sanitation and associated hygiene practices.

Activities:

WaterAid supports local partners directly with projects and programmes. All projects (should) integrate water supply, sanitation and hygiene promotion. Furthermore WaterAid works indirectly through capacity building of local partners. Special attention is paid to the role of women. Also WaterAid endeavours to respond in places where it works to natural disasters and other emergencies, where it can make a useful contribution, especially in protecting or restoring vital water and sanitation services for poor people.

Projects:

WaterAid currently has programmes in 15 countries throughout Africa and Asia. WaterAid is also currently carrying out work in urban areas, notably in Bangladesh, India, Tanzania and Nepal in order to ensure that WaterAid has the capacity to become 'champion' of water and sanitation issues for the urban poor.

Geographic concentration:

Africa: Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Ghana, Madagascar, Mali, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia
Asia & Pacific: Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan

Grant information:

Expenditure 2000/2001 for overseas projects £ 7,002,744, out of which for urban programmes £ 140,593.

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WaterCan/EauVive

Background:

Since its creation in 1987, WaterCan/EauVive has supported water and sanitation initiatives in 32 developing countries. Currently WaterCan's local partners and projects are all located in East-Africa. WaterCan's mission is to help citizens of developing countries build sustainable water supply and sanitation services.

Activities:

WaterCan identifies and supports local partners to carry out small-scale water and sanitation projects. The following criteria ensure that the projects: are carried out in a region of the country where local people's access to safe water supply and sanitation facilities is low; are long-term development initiatives (not emergency response projects); use low-cost, appropriate technology; include sanitation and hygiene education and promotion; emphasize self-help and community participation; benefit and involve women; have environmental and watershed management considerations; and implement a strategy to guarantee the maintenance and financial management of water supply and sanitation services beyond the life of the project.

Projects typically include the following components: development of wells, springs and storage tanks; formation and training of community-based water committees; promotion and construction of different types of sanitation facilities; production and distribution of hygiene education materials.

Project examples:

Kenya: Siaya District Water & Sanitation, Siaya District: development of borehole well, rainwater catchment tank, and sanitation facilities; hygiene education and sanitation promotion.

Tanzania: Gongo la Mboto Community Water & Sanitation Dar es Salaam: development of borehole well fitted with an electric pump and water storage tank, and connections to communal tap-stands; construction of sanitation facilities; hygiene education and sanitation promotion.

Geographic concentration:

Africa: Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda

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WaterLife Foundation

Background:

WaterLife is a non-profit organization with the singular goal of establishing and maintaining clean, sustainable drinking water supplies, sanitation and hygiene for under-served communities throughout the developing world.

Activities:

WaterLife's projects focus on smaller, especially rural, communities (e.g. 500 person villages) who are not served by other efforts. Waterlife works hand-in-hand with these rural communities.

A typical project might last 12-15 months, and include the following:

drilling a bore hole and installing a hand pump to access the water; training local builders to install 50 or more pit latrines; educating the community (particularly the women) on basic hygiene practices; training the village water committee in the technical and financial aspects of the project so that it can be maintained long

The approach can best be described as "barefoot mechanic." WaterLife will only implement locally appropriate and manageable technologies and management techniques. The key is to ensure each project's longevity.

Project examples:

Partnering with Khana Wayra to fund projects within the Valleys of the Andes Mountains of Boliva; Improving sanitation in a small town in Central Punjab, Pakistan; Gravity-fed water supply system to benefit the town of Rivas in Nicaragua; Supplying potable water and drip irrigation to women's groups throughout the Nyanza Region of Kenya.

Geographical concentration:

Africa: Cameroon, Kenya

Asia: Pakistan

Latin America: Bolivia, Nicaragua

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WaterPartners International (WPI)

Background:

WaterPartners International is a service organization that addresses the water supply and sanitation needs in developing countries. It promotes innovative and cost-effective community water projects that have the greatest chance for long-term success.

Activities:

WaterPartners uses its expertise to foster high-quality, sustainable, community-level water supply projects. WP promotes innovative solutions that enable communities to take a leading role in solving their own water supply problems. WP regularly monitors the implementation of projects and follow them beyond their completion to insure long-term sustainability. The organization also serves as a link between beneficiaries and donors and holds itself accountable to both.

Geographic concentration:

Africa: Ethiopia, Kenya

Asia: Bangladesh, India, Iraq, Philippines

Central America: El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras

Average grant:

Program budget 2003: US\$ 530,556.

WaterPartners International has joined forces with the ClearWater Project to maximize a fund-raising campaign to support water projects in Bangladesh, India and the Phillipines. The matching commitments will double the proceeds raised by WaterPartners up to \$150,000. The total of \$300,000 will enable WaterPartners to fund several projects in Asia.

Note: in 2005 WaterPartners has launched its WaterCredit Initiative with grants totaling \$1.5 million. WPI would like to acknowledge the generous support of the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation and the Agora Foundation, a donor-advised fund

of the Peninsula Community Foundation in providing the funding to make this initiative possible. WaterCredit is planned for Ethiopia, India, Bangladesh, Kenya, and Honduras. WPI's Grant work also continues in Ethiopia, Kenya, Bangladesh, India, the Philippines and Honduras.

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