Reconciliation Programs

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What are Reconciliation Programs?
The U.S. Agency for International Development’s (USAID) reconciliation programs contribute to countries’ journeys to self-reliance by healing social divisions on which autocratic and authoritarian governments thrive. Programs address the unique reconciliation needs of different communities such as promoting cooperation and peaceful co-existence between diverse ethnic groups; building trust and working toward shared goals of resolving potential, ongoing, or recent conflicts; addressing divisions that stem from unequal levels of power and access to resources; and creating opportunities to build relationships.

What do the funds support?
- Training and supporting “people-to-people” peacebuilding—convening individuals of different ethnic, religious, class, or political backgrounds from areas affected by armed conflict.

Foreign Aid Delivers
Since 2019, funds have supported USAID’s People-to-People Reconciliation Fund in 135 programs across 27 countries, awarding over $115 million in grants. In recent years, programs have launched in Kenya, Colombia, Kosovo, Ethiopia, Burkina Faso, Georgia, Honduras, Jamaica, Macedonia, Mali, Niger, and Senegal. Communities reconciling differences and working together on shared interests are more likely to establish civil society organizations, improve their own capacity to manage conflict, be resilient to external threats, respect human rights, and demand commitment, accountability, and transparency.

Funding History
Funding levels may not accurately reflect those in the appropriations bills and/or reports due to rounding.