

What More Could Be Done if Additional Democracy Funding were Available?

1. More capacity-building with departmental governments and municipalities (e.g. El Alto, Potosi's economic development plan), including the planned "Democracy Delivers" program;
2. A planned \$4 million scholarship program targeting the indigenous poor.
3. Support public outreach campaign by the Justice Sector to communicate to the Bolivian public why an independent justice sector is important, explaining the reforms that have been made in recent years;
4. Developing and supporting training programs for new judges through the Judicial Academy, with emphasis on key themes including judicial independence, social justice and anti-corruption;
5. Build Partners of the Americas efforts to encourage public communication of judicial decisions, to support greater transparency and objectivity (note under new constitution most judges would be elected);
6. Support a basic management training program for GOB functionaries, in various sectors, to encourage more technical decision-making and action (this effort could enjoy strong GOB support and would facilitate bilateral coordination);
7. Support to train media in understanding basic democratic principles.
8. More funding support for elections observation, both international and domestic; this could include funding to support an early arrival (e.g. 30 days prior to elections and assuming GOB concurrence) of international observers and post-elections oversight;
9. Strengthening the National Electoral Court's capacity to oversee national elections, funding assistance by CAPEL (assuming GOB concurrence);
10. Increased voter education, including through IRI/NDI and Partners.
11. More public diplomacy products (radio, television, print) to communicate to the Bolivian government and public the broad range of efforts the USG has supported, and continues to support, over many years of cooperation (e.g. milestones like the El Alto airport and Santa Cruz to Cochabamba road; more radio spots from poor beneficiaries, extolling how their lives have improved with USG support; highlighting USAID-supported products now widely available in local stores and supermarkets, helping Bolivian producers to provide higher quality goods and choices to Bolivian consumers).
12. More follow-on support to USAID and Embassy indigenous interns, to build and consolidate a network of graduates who advocate for the USG in key areas.

13. The AVANZAR-MCCLE information system will require further financial and institutional support to develop the system and support its users so that it can be effectively used over time. Consider more follow-up to the successful conflict mitigation seminars and workshops for community authorities.
14. Provide support to help strengthen Conflict Management Units (CMU) in the prefectures.
15. Provide additional training in Conflict management for prefecture and other government officials.
16. Expand civil society activities in conflict resolution through FIDEM and the Citizen Participation Network.
17. Establish more Integrated Justice Centers (IJC) in high-conflict areas.

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