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2006 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)  
El Salvador*

			<b>FY06 Total</b>
<b>Activity Title</b>	<b>Activity Description</b>	<b>TCB Category</b>	
<b>Cleaner Production Program in El Salvador</b>	The program supports El Salvador in the area of cleaner industrial production processes related to proposed CAFTA requirements and environmental conservation of the Gulf of Fonseca. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Environmental Trade & Standards	188,000
		Activity Total	188,000
<b>Financial Sector Development in El Salvador</b>	The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) will help micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) increase access to financial services by improving the way that financial institutions understand needs, by assisting banks and other financial institutions to introduce new products and more appropriate management technologies, and by looking for ways to reduce lending risks. USAID will focus on those MSMEs with the greatest potential at creating jobs and increasing trade opportunities. It will also introduce a loan guarantee mechanism to share with the financial institutions to act as an incentive for these institutions to increase lending to MSMEs. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	1,170,000
		Activity Total	1,170,000
<b>Removing Trade Barriers in El Salvador</b>	The U.S. Agency for International Development will help the government of El Salvador (GOES) carry out policy analysis and promote public/private policy dialogue to identify and address key barriers to trade, investment and exports. It will provide support to GOES and the private sector with technical assistance, training, and policy analysis and implementation. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Competition Policy & Foreign Investment	414,000
		Activity Total	414,000
<b>Rules of Origin and Customs Procedures</b>	The U.S. Agency for International Development is providing assistance on rules of origin (ROO), customs valuation, and risk management. This assistance will focus on (1) improved ROO administration, (2) developing and implementing a risk management system, (3) implementing classification and valuation procedures, (4) generating more reliable, useful public information, (5) adopting streamlined procedures to expedite =speed to market  and other time sensitive shipments, and (6) selectively improving the legal and regulatory framework. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Agreement on Rules of Origin	318,000
		Agreement on Customs Valuation Methods	318,000
		Activity Total	636,000

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<b>Single Window Electronic Customs Portal</b>	The technical assistance provided in this activity for the Dirección General de la Renta de Aduanas (DGA), the customs agency of El Salvador, for an Electronic Import/Export Trade Facilitation Window (Proyecto Ventanilla Única de Comercio Exterior, or VUCEX) will electronically integrate all government offices that participate in the import/export process. It will allow the user to conduct trade through a single web-based information portal that is cost-effective, time-efficient, and secure. Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	Customs Operation & Administration	252,822
		Activity Total	252,822
<b>Small Scale Economic Infrastructure in El Salvador</b>	The U.S. Agency for International Development Mission in El Salvador will implement the Small Infrastructure Activity at the community level specifically to help provide better access to the production areas and job marketing. It is estimated that USAID will be implementing at least 12 small infrastructure projects during fiscal year 2006. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Physical Infrastructure Development	540,000
		Activity Total	540,000
<b>Tax Administration Policy (TAX) in El Salvador</b>	The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has supported the Government of El Salvador to increase tax collections since the early nineties and is following up and building upon that assistance. Objectives include: (1) increasing tax collections, improving detection of tax evasion, and increasing voluntary tax compliance through an efficient and effective administration of tax collections and tax laws and regulations, (2) avoiding macroeconomic instability and uncertainty, and (3) contributing to poverty reduction through the provision of resources needed to widen coverage of basic health and education. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	765,000
		Activity Total	765,000
<b>Trade Capacity Building - El Salvador</b>	The program will help to strengthen the ability of the Government of El Salvador to develop, monitor, and regulate agricultural and food safety. The program will also help to reduce institutional weaknesses that are barriers to trade. The program will provide training and may also provide equipment, improvements in infrastructure, laboratory capacity building, and technical assistance. Funded and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Trade-Related Agriculture	3,525,000
		Activity Total	3,525,000

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<b>USAID Agriculture Diversification Program in El Salvador</b>	Under the Agricultural Diversification Program, formerly known as AGRITECH21, the activity will help enterprises increase domestic sales and exports of non-traditional, high-value agriculture products. It will also help improve value added processing, increase market access, build long-term business relationships and introduce new technologies. It will stimulate job creation and increase sales of horticulture products including short-term cycle fruits, vegetables, ornamental plants, tropical flowers, and specialty coffee as well as tackle SPS issues. Building on the Rural and Agricultural Diversification project, this second phase will focus primarily on addressing key production constraints, business development, marketing, and sales of agriculture products. The activity will pursue leveraging private sector and donor resources. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Trade-Related Agriculture	3,508,000
		Activity Total	3,508,000
<b>USAID Artisan Development Program</b>	This intervention is helping to increase employment and income for artisan entrepreneurs by enhancing their capacity to produce and market crafts, and increasing their access to markets. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Export Promotion	600,000
		Activity Total	600,000
<b>USAID Export Promotion Program - Phase II</b>	The Export Promotion Program Phase II, formerly known as ExproTech, has started to continue working with Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), the private sector, business associations and the Government of El Salvador (GOES) to strengthen business capacity and competitiveness, promote access to markets, increase sales and jobs, and expand access to appropriate technologies. Funded and implemented by USAID/El Salvador.	Export Promotion	2,798,000
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<b>Total FY06 TCB Funding</b>	14,396,822