



EI SALVADOR DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNANCE FACT SHEET

GOALS

USAID promotes greater transparency, accountability, and more responsive governance to improve citizens' confidence in both national and municipal level government. Activities support transparent elections, political party strengthening, and citizen advocacy to build and maintain confidence in these systems and the accountability of elected officials. USAID also provides assistance to enhance citizen oversight and advocacy to effectively represent citizen interests and promote grassroots civic participation. Activities with municipal governments improve administrative planning and public services to enhance living conditions and increase opportunities for social development. USAID also works with the Ministry of Health to improve health services for the population.

KEY OR ANTICIPATED RESULTS

- Improve perceptions of the quality of public services by 15%
- Free and transparent elections
- Avoid any increase in the perceived level of public corruption

DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNANCE ACTIVITIES

Imagina: El País que Queremos (Imagine: The Country We Envision) (\$17 million) The project revitalizes public spaces in neighborhoods to offer safe spaces for communities and also educational and recreational activities for vulnerable populations. The project increases civil society

engagement through citizen observatories known as “Cómo Vamos” (How Are We Doing) that generate reliable and comparable indicators on the quality of life in urban areas and citizen perception.

Civil Society and Democracy in the Eastern Region Project (\$4.5 million) The project supports the Universidad de Oriente’s (UNIVO) Center of Research for Democracy, a think tank that provides a voice to the population of the eastern region through civic education. The project also provides information and increases awareness on migration issues.

Domestic Resource Mobilization (\$21.5 million) The project supports the Salvadoran government to improve public financial management practices and increase oversight and accountability of public institutions.

Electoral Integrity and Political Party Strengthening Activity (\$12 million) USAID enhances electoral integrity by building capacities within the electoral system, civil society and media. It helps political parties become more open and inclusive and to manage transparent financial systems. The project improves civil society oversight in elections monitoring.

Promoting Citizen Participation in Public Policy in El Salvador (\$9.9 million) The project promotes more participatory and inclusive public policies and electoral processes. Activities include citizen forums; monitoring and evaluating electoral processes; and courses in government and public policies for political party and civil society leaders.

Municipal Governance (\$36.6 million) USAID works together with 30 municipalities to improve administrative planning and provide better public services to enhance living conditions and increase opportunities for social development.

Citizens Empowered (\$35.0 million) USAID provides assistance to help enhance citizen oversight and advocacy to effectively represent citizen interests and promote grassroots civic participation.

COVID Telemedicine Activity (\$300,000) Helps expand telemedicine coverage for the management of COVID and other communicable diseases.

Vaccine Communication (\$157,000) Support for vaccination awareness.

COVID Vaccine Support (\$462,500) Increases access to COVID-19 vaccines in hard-to-reach areas with lower vaccination coverage rates.

COVID Test-to-Treat (\$1.5 million) Supports early detection and treatment of COVID-19 in high-risk populations.

COVID Supply Chain Strengthening (\$500,000) Helps improve logistics management of pharmaceuticals, medical supplies and vaccines.

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