

Rwanda Program Summary

Rwanda’s two-year, \$24.7 million MCC Threshold Program aims to strengthen civic participation and promote civil liberties and rights by providing training, technical support and grants to local and national civil society organizations, offering training on election monitoring and voter education and supporting independent community radio stations to enhance citizen engagement. The program also seeks to reinforce Rwanda’s efforts to support judicial capacity building, legislative reforms and improve overall public administration. Finally, the program will provide training and technical assistance to journalists as well as the Rwandan National Police in an effort to increase transparency.

Threshold Status	
Status.....	Implementation, Year 1
Threshold Information	
Total Amount.....	\$24.7 million
Agreement Signed.....	October 15, 2008
Country Information	
Population.....	9,464,241*
GNI Per Capita Income.....	\$320*

Program Highlights

- ★ Rwanda’s Threshold Program was signed on October 15, 2008. The program is still in its start-up phase and finalizing procurement actions for Rule of Law, Civic Participation and Media Strengthening activities.
- ★ The ICITAP regional legal advisor will arrive during the summer to begin working with the National Police.
- ★ Implementation is expected to begin in before the end of the 2009 fiscal year.

*World Development Indicators, World Bank, 2005