LONG-TERM IMPACT:

Reduced violence and improved citizen security and coexistence in Central America

DEVELOPMENT CONTEXT

Regional level: Skyrocketing insecurity and violence levels; weak democratic institutions; poverty and inequality; insufficient coordination and collaboration on CS policy-making;

National level: Different definitions of concepts, indicators and uses of information; Dispersion of information and multiplicity of information sources; Multiplicity of sporadic initiatives in the area of Information Management; Lack of unified technical criteria and permanent technical capacities within the national and Absence or lack of understanding of a preventive focus guided by Human Security criteria .

6. Low citizen participation in discussions on Citizen Security;

7. Absence of adequate mechanisms and capacities to mainstream gender into the analysis and management of Citizen Security related information and public policies.

RESULT 2:

Improved collaboration and networking between the CSOs and national and regional institutions

RESULT 1

Improved quality evidence-based policy-making tools in state citizen security institutions of the the beneficiary countries

ACTIVITIES:

Development of a virtual Citizen Security platform (Regional Network of Civil Society Observatories - ROC), organizaation of CSO regional conferences, surveys and public opinion polss, establishment of CSO baselines for monitoring and evaluation of citizen security policies, promotion of South-South Cooperaiton and exchange

ACTIVITIES:
Strengthening of SICA/OBSICA capacities, establishment of the regional indicator baseline, mapping of available information sources and institutions for national evidence-based policy-making, trainings and workshops, development of technical factsheets, protocols of understanding, surveys, conferences and publications

GOAL:

*Strengthen the regional and national institutional capacities for collecting, monitoring and processing security information and for its application for decision-making and policy formulation at regional and national levels*

SUBRESULTS

Regular exchange of experiences and best practices and promotion/support of the CSO dialogue.

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High quality comparable indicators

Improved capacities for data analysis for policy formulation

INPUTS:

Financial and human resources of USAID, UNDP RSC LAC and UNDP Country Offices in the participating countries; expertise of UNDP RSC LAC expert networks

EXPECTED CHANGE:

Improved evidence-based citizen security policies in CAM countries

ASSUMPTIONS:

Political will and cooperation of stakeholders; Access to information; stability and security in target countries