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# INTERIM SOUTH WEST ADMINISTRATION



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AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR**

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### OUR WORK

USAID partners with government institutions and communities to increase Somalia's stability through targeted interventions that foster good governance, support economic recovery, and reduce the appeal of extremism. In fiscal year 2013 and 2014, USAID invested approximately \$4,000,000 in activities in the Interim South West Administration region.<sup>1</sup>

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### ECONOMIC GROWTH

To improve livelihoods in the region, USAID's Partnership for Economic Growth (PEG) facilitates collaboration between local governments and the private sector to accelerate economic growth, increase investment, and generate productive employment. Current activities in the Interim South West Administration region focus on strengthening agriculture and livestock value chains. For example, PEG developed an agriculture extension service and partnered with Benadir University to establish three demonstration plots in the Shabelle Valley that assist 4,000 local farm households - an estimated 24,000 beneficiaries - with improving horticulture and maize production. To promote growth in the livestock sector, PEG improves fodder seed testing with 200 lead farmers, and supports 250 milk producers, traders, and processors, especially women, with training and matching grant funding. PEG also supports the Ministries of Agriculture and Livestock in developing policies on seed production and dairy to improve quality.



<sup>1</sup>To date, not all FY2013-2014 funds have been programmed.



## PEACE AND SECURITY

USAID's Transition Initiatives for Stabilization (TIS) increases confidence in Somali government institutions through targeted, strategic interventions that improve service delivery and government responsiveness. Through TIS, Somali government institutions, the private sector, and civil society collaborate to design, evaluate, and deliver projects with a quick and lasting impact on the lives of Somali citizens in critical risk areas. Currently in Baidoa, TIS provides targeted support to the municipality to increase transparency and access to public information. In addition, to enable local government institutions to improve service delivery and facilitate economic growth, TIS invests in small-scale infrastructure projects to construct and rehabilitate one vocational youth training center, one women's center, one bridge, one maternal child health center, one peace committee meeting center, two government office buildings, four community markets, two soccer stadiums, and install 44 street lights. Lastly, TIS is training 100 community members in Afgoye District on community dialogue and reconciliation to enhance community cohesion.



## **PERFORMANCE MONITORING AND EVALUATION SERVICES**

USAID utilizes multiple methods to monitor and verify that resources are being used to accomplish intended goals, and to assess the impact of investments. Monitoring is built into all stages of the USAID Somalia program cycle, and monitoring by implementing partners is supplemented by quantitative and qualitative verifications and analyses by independent entities. USAID Somalia maintains two independent contracts to verify, evaluate, and assess USAID-funded activities, and help ensure responsible stewardship of foreign assistance resources: Somalia Program Support Services (SPSS) and Somali Engineering and Architectural Support (SEAS).

SPSS conducts consistent, on-the-ground, performance monitoring and verification visits to USAID-funded activities, and reports to USAID technical staff to enable effective and efficient management. In addition, SPSS designs both performance and impact evaluations of individual activities, as well as quantitative and qualitative impact assessments of overall progress made toward achieving USAID's goals.

SEAS provides architectural, engineering, and environmental services for infrastructure investments in Somalia. SEAS reviews engineering designs, monitors construction, and verifies environmental compliance of USAID-funded rehabilitation and small-scale infrastructure activities. SEAS ensures that construction activities are implemented according to host government regulations, or where those do not yet exist, according to generally accepted international standards.



## RESILIENCE

USAID enhances the resilience of households and communities to recurrent shocks by integrating humanitarian assistance and development programming to strengthen capacities, expand household and communities' assets, and increase learning.

## YOUTH AND EDUCATION

USAID's Somali Youth Learners Initiative (SYLI) supports the next generation of Somali leaders by expanding access to quality secondary education opportunities. Currently in the Interim South West Administration, SYLI invests in the construction and rehabilitation of 10 secondary schools, increasing access to education for approximately 5,000 (3,000 male and 2,000 female) students. In addition, SYLI improves the quality of education by providing teaching and learning materials to

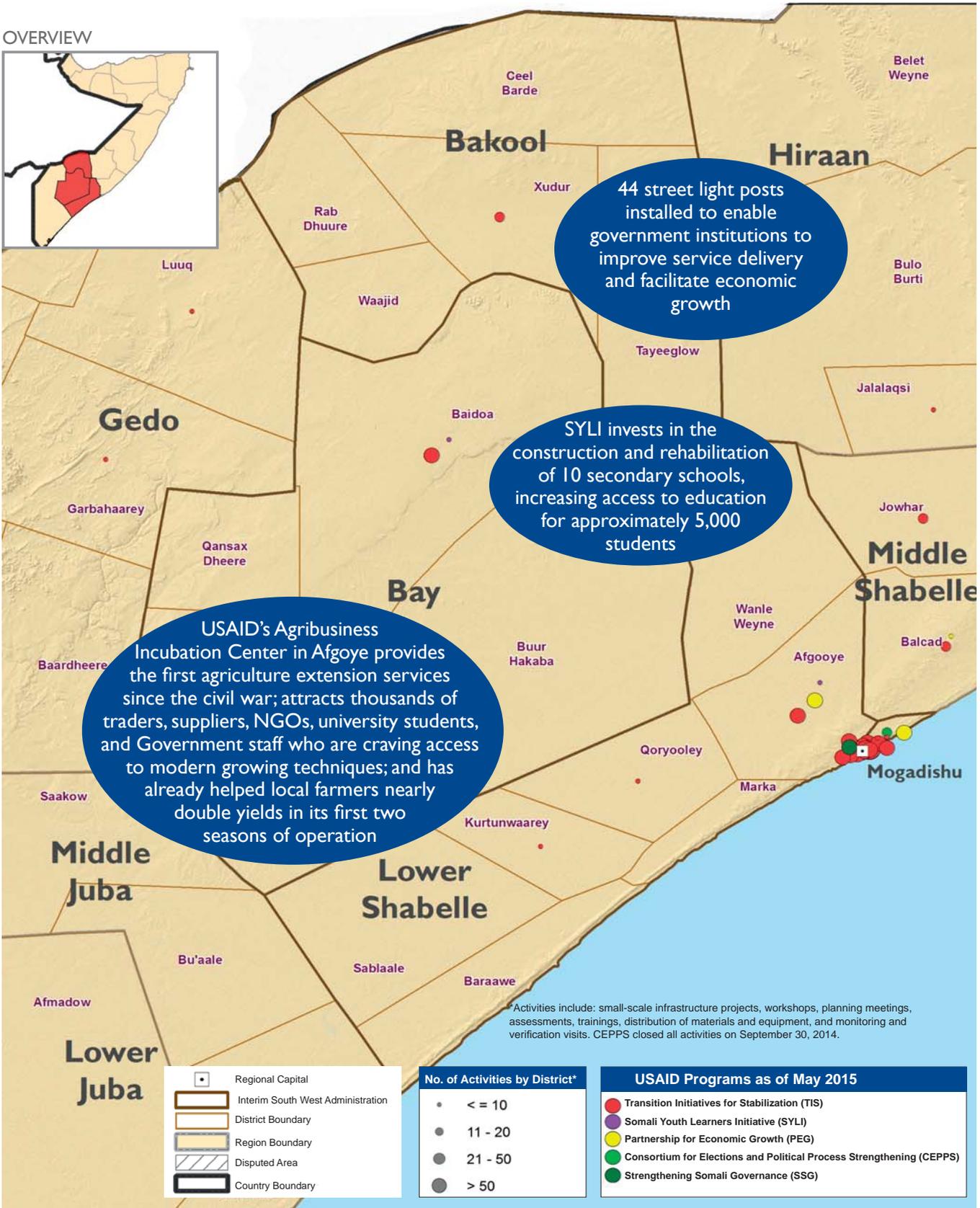
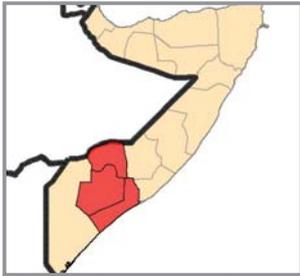
secondary schools, and conducting teacher training for approximately 200 current and future teachers (180 in-service and 20 female pre-service), as well as head teachers. To build economic survival skills among out-of-school youth in the region, SYLI provides an array of opportunities, including non-formal education training in basic literacy, numeracy, life skills, and entrepreneurship. SYLI also supports youth in the region in planning and implementing civic engagement activities to help them raise awareness of social issues, and engage in dialogue about issues affecting their lives, such as recruitment into militant groups. Lastly, SYLI collaborates with school management committees, clan elders, community education committees, and both the federal and regional Ministries of Education to build capacity to review and develop education policies, and better manage the delivery of secondary education.



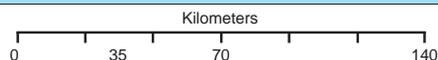
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COMPLETED AND ONGOING USAID ACTIVITIES INTERIM SOUTH WEST ADMINISTRATION (OCTOBER 1, 2012 - MAY 31, 2015)

OVERVIEW



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USAID partners with non-governmental organizations, private sector enterprises, and government entities that successfully respond to competitive solicitations. USAID posts solicitations on two public websites: [www.fbo.gov](http://www.fbo.gov) and [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). Search for Somalia to find the relevant solicitations.

To learn if a USAID partner can help you address a specific challenge or take advantage of a specific opportunity, start by talking to USAID.

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