

PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

- CIDA's Canadian Partnership Programs, which receive about 13 percent of the international assistance budget, support a wide range of Canadian groups and firms involved in development activities worldwide.
- Partner groups include the Canadian private sector, Canadian and international non-governmental organizations (NGOs), educational institutions, co-operatives, unions, municipalities and professional associations. CIDA funds support initiatives developed by these groups.
- Canadian Partnership Programs deal directly with thousands of businesses and individuals, hundreds of Canadian voluntary organizations, universities and colleges, dozens of provincial government departments and agencies, and numerous municipalities.
- These programs support such activities as investment and capital project studies for the private sector; grass-roots and community-development initiatives of NGOs; links between educational institutions in Canada and overseas; and programs to strengthen the co-operative and trade union sectors.
- CIDA INC is an industrial co-operation program which backs private-sector initiatives between Canada and developing countries, including the transfer of skills, technology and capital to the developing world, while generating jobs, export sales and new business opportunities for Canada.