

Projects funded by the Human Security Program

Regional examples

LATIN AMERICA

Conference on human rights in the Americas

The Human Security Program helped NGOs from throughout the Americas participate in a conference which coincided with the General Assembly of the Organization of American States in June 2001. The conference, organized by the Inter-American Institute for Human Rights, sought to develop and reinforce the systematic protection of human rights in the Hemisphere.

MIDDLE EAST

Human rights training for judges and police in Jordan

With support from the Human Security Program, the Royal Human Rights Commission of Jordan trained Jordanian judges and police on their international human rights obligations, including their relationship with Islamic Sharia law.

AFRICA

Using radio to build peace in Liberia and Sierra Leone

The Human Security Program supported the work of Talking Drum Studios in Liberia and Sierra Leone which produce radio programming and support community outreach to bring about reconciliation and an environment for peace.

SOUTH ASIA

Tackling the small arms problem in South Asia

With support from the Human Security Program, the NGO South Asia Partnership organized a series of national consultations and a regional meeting for civil society in South Asia to prepare for the 2001 UN Small Arms Conference and to encourage greater national and regional action on the problem of small arms proliferation.

NORTH ASIA

Fostering dialogue on oil and conflict in Central Asia

The Human Security Program supported a project by Alternatives, a Montreal-based NGO, to foster debate on energy resources and conflict in Central Asia, and to inform Canadian and international peacebuilding efforts in the region.

EUROPE

Peace Olympia Festival for Children

The Human Security Program supported the Peace Olympia Festival for Children held at Olympia and Delphi, Greece, in July 2001. Some 200 children from communities in Europe and the Middle East took part in a sport competition and an art festival to foster co-operation among children of different national, ethnic and cultural backgrounds.

CANADA

International Conference on War-Affected Children

Canada hosted the International Conference on War-Affected Children in Winnipeg in September 2000. The conference involved youth and political leaders in discussions and decision-making on the issue and resulted in a detailed international action plan.

The UN Secretary-General's Expert on the Impact of Armed Conflict on Children, Graça Machel and youth participants at the International Conference on War-Affected Children, Winnipeg 2000.

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