



MOLDOVA



The U.S. government continues to encourage the reforms necessary for Moldova's political and economic integration with the rest of Europe. Specifically, the United States seeks to improve governance, increase transparency and accountability, and strengthen the rule of law, while also supporting informed citizen participation; reduce bureaucratic barriers to trade, improve the business environment, increase productivity, and combat corruption; and build the capacity of law enforcement officers to prevent, investigate, and prosecute illicit cross border activities. Where feasible, U.S. assistance also includes the Transnistria region, where the U.S. government seeks to expand ties and underscore its commitment to peaceful reintegration.

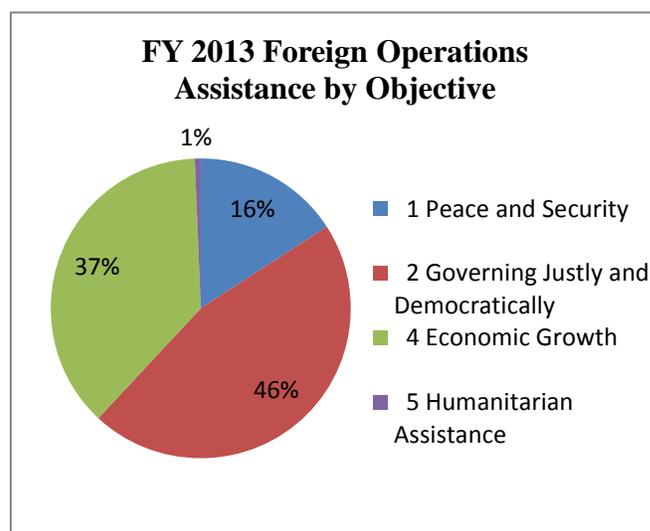
Assistance Activities by U.S. Goals in Moldova:

Governing Justly and Democratically

- U.S. advisors help judicial personnel to implement court reforms such as integrated case management that promote transparency, while also assisting civil-society organizations (CSOs), investigative media, and citizen activists to monitor courts' reform efforts, including the use of funds to implement Moldova's judicial reform strategy.
- U.S. assistance to CSOs enables them to more effectively represent citizens' interests to local, regional and national policy-makers and define and advance an advocacy agenda. Funding also strengthens the capacity of CSOs to sustain the integrity and transparency of the electoral process in Moldova; and increase the capacity and professionalism of non-governmental organizations.
- U.S. experts help local-government authorities improve their financial and organizational capacity to provide services and provide basic public services, including water and sanitation, transportation, waste management, and energy.
- U.S. political party assistance helps parties to improve party structures, member participation, and develop strategic outreach plans.

Economic Growth

- U.S. assistance to businesses in information technology, wine, fashion accessories and apparel, and home furnishings are increasing exports and their competitiveness within the region.



| BY ACCOUNT | FY 2013 ACTUAL | FY 2014 653a | FY 2015 REQUEST |
|--|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| TOTAL (in thousand \$) | 32,587 | 20,660 | 30,230 |
| Economic Support Fund | 27,213 | 15,050 | 15,050 |
| Foreign Military Financing | 1,187 | 1,250 | 11,250 |
| International Military Education and Training | 725 | 750 | 750 |
| International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement | 3,062 | 3,230 | 2,800 |
| Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining and Related Programs | 400 | 380 | 380 |

- U.S. assistance to increase credit for small and medium-sized enterprises, especially in the area of energy efficiency and renewable energy, are helping these businesses grow and expand their operations.
- In the agriculture sector, U.S. experts provide training, business process streamlining, and industry association building, including women in agriculture networks, to bolster high-value agricultural production.
- The United States has assisted the government to streamline business registration and taxation processes to reduce the administrative burden on enterprises. In addition, U.S. customs experts are helping Moldova to increase the efficiency of its customs administration and improve its trade policies to reduce the time and cost of moving goods across borders.

Peace and Security

- U.S. security assistance to Moldova’s armed forces promote interoperability with NATO and its participation in peacekeeping and coalition operations, including training for senior officers’ to respect democratic values and human rights, strengthen civil-military relationships and enhance strategic management skills.
- U.S. law enforcement advisors help Moldovan law enforcement institutions improve the quality of criminal investigations, increase their capacity to fight transnational crime, and support government efforts to create a competent patrol-police force. Additionally, U.S. assistance builds the capacity of Moldovan authorities, especially the multi-disciplinary central office, to identify, investigate, and prosecute trafficking-in-persons cases.
- U.S. border experts help to enhance Moldova’s capacity to detect and identify illicit trafficking at official points of entry, along land borders and at other uncontrolled border areas; and provide licensing-outreach training to improve strategic trade controls, and commodity-identification training to buttress Moldova’s customs-enforcement capabilities.

| BY OBJECTIVE | FY 2013 ACTUAL | FY 2014 653a | FY 2015 REQUEST |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| TOTAL (in thousand \$) | 32,587 | 20,660 | 30,230 |
| Peace and Security | 5,162 | 3,752 | 14,130 |
| Governing Justly and Democratically | 15,023 | 9,062 | 8,718 |
| Economic Growth | 12,194 | 7,846 | 7,382 |
| Humanitarian Assistance | 208 | 0 | 0 |

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*This fact sheet does not reflect Peace Corps funding or centrally managed or regional Foreign Operations funding that is not specifically budgeted for Moldova.