

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to set out the understanding and expectations of all the parties.

MUNICIPAL PARTNERSHIPS FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION IN CENTRAL AMERICA (AMUPREV)

The AMUPREV Program is implemented by the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) with funding provided by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) and the Central America Regional Security Initiative (CARSI). The objectives of AMUPREV are (1) to promote comprehensive municipal-based violence prevention strategies and programs with key Central American stakeholders and foster development of regional peer knowledge networks; and (2) to provide training and technical assistance to local governments and community groups, in coordination with national police efforts and other municipal-based programs.

ICMA has worked with key institutions in the region to promote the first objective and engage in outreach. ICMA developed a Toolkit for municipalities to use to promote the creation of municipal-led mechanisms to provide leadership in bringing together key stakeholders to design and implement crime and violence prevention programs. We have facilitated the participation of experts in national, regional and international conferences and conducted workshops for municipal associations and municipal stakeholders. We have developed a website (www.amuprev.org) which showcases daily examples of municipalities throughout Latin America which are taking the initiative to develop programs that are building the foundation for crime prevention in their communities. **To accomplish Objective 2, ICMA has implemented a series of municipal partnerships with cities in the US (CityLinks Model)** so that the model of community-oriented policing and governance can be shared with municipalities throughout the Region. Through this model, training and technical assistance has been provided to municipal stakeholders to bring about a greater awareness of the need to prioritize and act upon violence and crime prevention programs in a coordinated and comprehensive fashion.

Whereas, the City of Alexandria, Virginia and the Municipality of Suchitoto, El Salvador have reviewed the goals of the AMUPREV CityLinks Program and have indicated their desire to form a partnership so that representatives from the City of Alexandria and the Alexandria Police Department can provide training and technical assistance, and exchange management and technical expertise with the Municipality of , Suchitoto El Salvador regarding violence and crime prevention at the municipal level, in particular, but not exclusively, in the following areas:

- Principles and practices of community-oriented policing
- Operation and strengthening of crime/violence prevention committees
- Recuperation of public spaces
- Youth rehabilitation and prevention programs/gang prevention.

Whereas, the City of Alexandria, Virginia and the Municipality of Suchitoto, El Salvador hereby officially recognize their Partnership as per the terms of the AMUPREV Cooperative Agreement with USAID (No. RLA-A-00-09-00050-00)

Whereas, each partner recognizes the need for, and is committed to exchanging information and sharing expertise after the CityLinks AMUPREV Partnership has formally concluded;

Whereas, each partner desires to build linkages for, and actively engage a broad array of participants, including relevant municipal staff and officials, police, citizens, community-based and youth organizations, and the private and academic sectors in this exchange effort where appropriate; and

Now, therefore, let it be agreed that the City of Alexandria and the Alexandria Police Department and the municipality of Suchitoto, El Salvador, having identified the specific areas of focus of the Partnership, will continue to work cooperatively to develop and execute activities in line with the goals of the AMUPREV Program.

ICMA—USAID Support

ICMA will assist exchange effort by providing program guidance, handling all liaison with USAID, and funding approved travel and other support as needed during the duration of the Partnership.

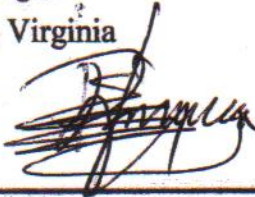
This MOU has been signed on October 7th, 2014 in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, United States of America, by



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Alexandria, Virginia



Chief of Police
Alexandria, Virginia



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