

PROJECT ASSISTANCE COMPLETION REPORT

**Central American Survivors' Assistance Program
Pan American Development Foundation (522-0379)**

Background: The Central American Survivors' Assistance (CASA) Program was a follow-on to the Children's Survival Assistance Program (CSAP), mandated by Congress to provide medical care and other relief for children who were victims of the Nicaraguan civil strife. In November of 1989, Congress broadened the CSAP program to include the medical needs of adults as well as children. USAID, therefore, changed the name of the program to CASA.

The grant agreement with the Pan American Development Foundation (PADF) was signed in May of 1988, to provide orthopedic and plastic/reconstructive surgery to eligible victims of Central American civil strife. Due to the nature of the grant, no counterpart was required.

From the inception of the grant agreement in May of 1988 through October of 1988 PADF was in the process of setting up a surgical care facility in Nicaragua. However, when the Nicaraguan government forbade the use or acceptance of U.S. Government funds in October of 1988, the grant agreement was amended to allow PADF to operate in Honduras.

Program Description: The sole project activity was to provide orthopedic and plastic/reconstructive surgery to civilian victims of Central American civil strife.

Outputs: The planned project output was the treatment of 756 beneficiaries. A total of 882 beneficiaries were treated.

An unplanned project output was improved surgical facilities at a local private, nonprofit hospital which allowed PADF the use of its facilities during the course of the project. Upon termination of the grant agreement February 28, 1991, PADF donated the surgical equipment acquired under the project to this hospital. The upgraded surgical facility is now available to serve CASA-eligible beneficiaries indefinitely on a sliding fee scale.

Inputs: Given that this project was designed as a crisis relief measure, the only inputs were financial support to the PADF operation as a whole, and commodities in the form of surgical supplies and equipment.

Outputs Planned but not Accomplished: Service to beneficiaries inside of Nicaragua was planned but not accomplished for the reason stated above.

Financial Status:	Authorized	\$2,370,000
	Obligated	2,370,000
	Expended	2,296,002
	Unexpended	73,998

Results of Evaluations: None were conducted.

Lessons Learned: Because the project ran so smoothly, the primary lesson to be taken would be that well selected grantees offer the greatest potential for successful projects of this nature.

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