

QUARTERLY REPORT

SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

December 31, 1979

I. Background Data

- A. Project Number and Title: Special Development Activities  
(151-0133)
- B. Amount Authorized: Continuing project: \$175,696.56  
since FY 1977
- C. Counterpart Contribution: \$55,000 to date for FY 80
- D. Grantee: Citizen Groups
- E. Executing Agency: Citizen Groups
- F. Date of Authorization: November 18, 1976
- G. Date of Execution: N/A
- H. Terminal Dates:
1. Conditions Precedent: N/A
2. PACD: N/A
- I. Disbursement Progress:
1. Cumulative Disbursements: \$147,826.99
2. Percent Disbursed: 84%
3. Disbursement during  
quarter: \$ 7,860.13
4. FY 80 Obligations: \$ 0
5. Disbursements for FY 80  
Project: \$ 0
- J. Percentage of Project  
Elapsed: N/A (Continuing)
- K. Project Description

The Special Development Fund is an annual allocation (\$50,000 in FY 77, \$49,000 in FY 78, \$75,000 in FY 79 and \$55,000 to date for FY 80) for the financing of small socio-economic development projects jointly planned and carried out with Costa Rican citizen groups. The Fund is

managed by an AID/Peace Corps/Embassy Committee and is an important device for collaboration between AID and the Peace Corps.

## II. Quarterly Report

### A. Status Summary

Since October 1, 1979 the Mission has approved 16 community group projects. Approved projects include rural health posts, school feeding centers, community centers and rural schools. Other approved projects with a productive emphasis include an electric generator (excess property), sewing machines for a women's cooperative, a truck for a fledgling orange cooperative and machinery to make blocks for housing. Because the Mission did not have an allotment, these projects were not obligated.

### B. Comments on Implementation

Because of the delay in receiving the FY 80 allotment, none of the 16 approved projects have commenced. The SDF Committee continued to make site visits to FY 80 projects.

### C. Problems and Delays

No FY 80 funds.

### D. Major Activities Expected Next Quarter

The Mission will make the pending site visits and request an additional allotment based on the number of approved projects. The SDF Committee will examine the possibility of updating the original SDF agreement.