

2014 Annual Report

Joint Development Associates International, Inc.

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Letter from the President and CEO ...



Dear supporters,

The year has been very rewarding for Joint Development Associates. We have been able to make a positive impact on the lives of more than 29,000 people across northern Afghanistan. Reviewing the year, we are very proud of the hard work of our staff and the effectiveness of our programs.

In the spring, northern Afghanistan was inundated with heavy rains which affected more than 14,000 individuals and resulted in 80 deaths. JDA intervened by providing water filters to two of the remotest communities where many had lost their homes and all sources of drinking water were contaminated with harmful bacteria. The filters provided clean drinking water, keeping the families healthy as they rebuilt their community.

JDA started off the year with limited agricultural program activity. But after two years of proposal writing and waiting, USAID approved a program called Regional Agricultural Development Program (RADP) in northern Afghanistan. In the fall JDA and Development Assistance International (DAI) signed a partnership contract. RADP-North is a five-year program that seeks to improve market linkages among farmers, agri-businesses and consumers. Together with DAI, we will work to ensure that farmers better understand options of improved technologies that can result in greater yields.

The highlight of the year was definitely our WASH/BLiSS Program. JDA constructed twenty safe-water access points in thirteen villages in northern Afghanistan. Hygiene education has expanded beyond educating women at home and children in schools; men are now involved and their leadership in the home has made a significant impact in improving family health.

Thank you for your support and encouragement; it gives us hope for the future of Afghanistan. Because of your generosity we continue to transform the lives of thousands of men, women, and children. As JDA begins its 21st year of serving in Central Asia, our staff and myself are grateful for your continued partnership and support.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Hedlund



Mission

JDA believes that all people have unlimited creativity and potential for transformation. In that spirit, JDA joins with the people and communities of Central Asia in developing holistic solutions that affect fundamental progress toward a more equitable society. We support locally integrated solutions in community development, education, health and in economic growth.



Vision

JDA engages with the people of Central Asia in a spirit of humility and respect. We are a catalyst encouraging individuals to believe in their potential to be change agents of their own lives and to conceive and actualize their vision of the future for themselves, their families, and communities.

Provinces of Project Activity



Joint Development Associates International

is a non-profit organization that focuses on integral community development education, health services, humanitarian aid.

Transforming Lives with Local Solutions

JDA's Water Access Sanitation Hygiene (WASH) team continued a project with the Kuchi communities (nomadic people) in Balkh district,. This project has been more successful than expected and is now fully incorporated into our WASH program. Two Kuchi Trainers of Trainers have been educated in Birth Life Saving Skills (BLiSS). Efforts have been made to fully engage the community in WASH initiatives that are needed and will work best for them. The Kuchi people of Afghanistan are one of the most vulnerable groups in the country.

Zargaran is a village located some 19 miles north of Kabul, the country's capital. The village has approximately 60 households. A stream is the major source of water for this community.

[redacted] living in Zargaran, has a-three-year old son who became seriously sick with diarrhea and vomiting due to drinking contaminated wate[redacted]spent 7000 AFs (two months' salary) on doctors and medicines.

JDA was able to reach out to this community and distribute water filters to 18 households including [redacted] After receiving the Sawyer filter from JDA, he said:

"...I never thought that this tiny thing could give such a big result. I will take care of my filter as I take care of my life. This act is incredible and saves my family's life and money."



[redacted] and son

SAWYER HOLLOW FIBER MEMBRANE FILTERS

This innovative filter was developed using dialysis technology, The Hollow Fiber Membrane filter has tiny "U" shaped micro tubes with 0.1 micron pores to filter harmful bacteria and contaminants. The filter uses gravity and can be attached to any bucket or bag. The extremely fast flow rate and compact size (it weighs just 3 ounces) allows individuals to filter water in their own homes as they need it, eliminating the need for a large water storage system as well. The Sawyer filter is easily cleaned with an included backwash syringe for easy maintenance.



Flood Relief

In April 2014, northern Afghanistan suffered major floods that left thousands of people without a home. More than 90,000 are estimated to have been affected by the heavy rains that swept through. With the help of our generous donors, JDA was able to lend a hand and provide safe clean water to the most remote villages where the government could not supply trucked water to the affected.

Water was provided though the purchase and distribution of Sawyer PointONE Filters attached to a 20 liter bucket. This is a portable filter that is easy to use and reliable for the vulnerable families. Distribution took place in the northern villages of Baghlan and Sar-e-Pol. The most affected population of the areas were identified with the help of the Ministry of Economy and Rural Rehabilitation and Development. Filters were provided to about 374 families, benefiting over 2,000 people including women, men, children and disabled. JDA staff ensured that the beneficiaries were properly trained and fully understood how to operate the filter for best use.

The distribution of these filters made clean water available, preventing sickness from harmful bacteria and water borne diseases.



WASH in Schools



Students immediately started washing their hands with soap after they received the hygiene messages from the puppet show.

Many Afghan communities do not have an information network to disseminate basic awareness about health and hygiene, even more, they lack appropriate health centers. In our ongoing efforts to promote the importance of hygiene and handwashing, a puppetry program in schools was initiated. The goal of this program is to make children aware of the importance of personal hygiene and how it affects their daily lives through a fun and interactive way. This program educates students on hand washing, diarrhea, and the use of safe water. Students also learned about proper hand washing methods and how it is the most effective way to prevent diarrheal and respiratory infections.

One of our biggest successes this year was reaching more than one thousand students within three days with the hygiene message. We know that they will certainly promote and share what they have learned from the puppet program to friends, siblings, and members of their families and communities, and thus spreading the message to even more people.

School	Participating Students
Abu Balkhi Girls High School	450
Shaqeq Balkhi High School	350
Dehsawar Girls High School	250
Total Participants	1050



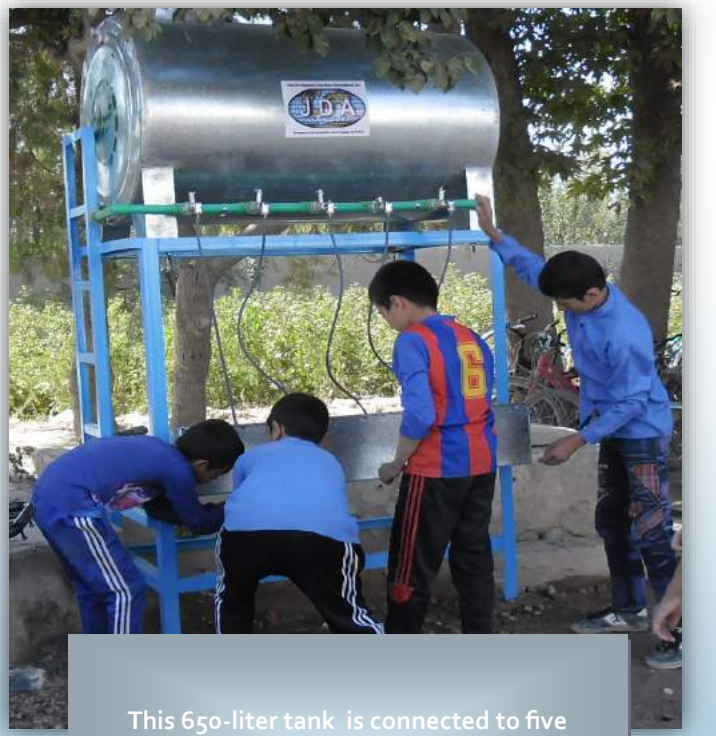
Providing children with the knowledge and skills of proper hygiene and hand washing will give them the capacity to protect themselves from sickness.



Students received gift parcels including; mini soaps, hand towel, drawing book including the puppet show's characters and a pack of coloring pencils.

144-liter capacity hand washing station facilities were installed at each school where the puppets were shown.

The presence of a hand washing facility is critical in getting students to wash their hands after each toilet use and contact with unclean surfaces. JDA installed a sink with 144 liter capacity and a 650 liter capacity drinking water station. These facilities were installed at each school where the puppet shows were hosted. The installation of these facilities is a major initiative for these schools. Students now have access to clean drinking water and are able to apply what they have learned about hygiene through washing their hands at the provided washing stations, therefore preventing the spread of germs and viruses.



This 650-liter tank is connected to five Sawyer Filters through a metallic stand to provide safe drinking water to students.



GIVE CHILDREN the capacity to protect themselves from sickness.



CLEAN WATER has opened access to significantly BETTER HEALTH & HYGIENE.

WASH/BLiSS

The JDA Water Access Sanitation and Hygiene program began in 2009 and has since worked with 20 communities with 19,580 beneficiaries gaining access to safe water. 8,226 women have been trained in hygiene education and 52 wells drilled and hand-pumps fitted. Our WASH development project is working in partnership with communities to improve the water, sanitation and hygiene practices of community members. WASH achieves this through education that results in positive behavior change and improving water quality and access through well drilling.

Our Birth Life Saving Skills curriculum addresses a life experience that only women have. It makes WASH training more relevant and directly applies the principles and practice of WASH to one of the most urgent health concerns in Afghanistan—mother/child health. Coupling BLiSS training with hygiene courses shows communities how WASH issues encompass all of life, and can save lives as well!



"We did not know about worms and germs. We are happy about the information we have received in this course and are thankful for this kind of program for the women. We hope the program continues to expand and help us have healthy children, families, and communities."



Afghan men receive hygiene training and learn how to repair hand pumps on wells , which keeps wells in good working condition for the entire village.



WASH Program 2014 Results

2,089 Women

12 Trainers

5 Weeks

10 Lessons

$64 of your Investment

Transforming a woman's life...

priceless



Water is the most basic element necessary to sustain life,. Afghan people rely heavily on the rivers and canals for water. Unfortunately, drinkable water is a resource that can be hard to come by in certain environments. Disease and infection is the result of poor water access and sanitation. Children are the most affected by this water crisis.

For the past years, JDA has been making great efforts to increase the availability of clean water to villages in northern Afghanistan. This year, JDA was able to provide 20 water points for 13 villages including a well in a school yard benefiting about 3,000 students.

Program Activity Lessons	Direct Attendee Beneficiaries Jan 1- Dec 31, 2014	Indirect Beneficiaries** Jan 1– Dec 31, 2014
Women Hygiene	1,260	7,560
Women Bliss	158	948
Men Hygiene	671	4,026
School Children	1,050	4,200
Total Beneficiaries Direct & Indirect	3,139	16,734

**** all those living within the zone of influence of the project.**



Increasing the availability of clean water to the villages saves women and children tremendous time and hard labor.

USAID Regional Agricultural Development Program (RADP-North)

Wheat is the major grain crop in Afghanistan, occupying about 80% of the total area planted to cereals. It is the primary staple food crop across Northern Afghanistan; as such, its availability, accessibility, and nutritional utilization is critically important for food security. Afghans consume the most wheat per capita in the world (160kg), and wheat-based foods represent 57% of their caloric intake. However, despite the fact that most Afghan farmers grow wheat, Afghanistan remains a wheat-deficit country, and hence a net importer.

JDA has partnered with DAI through USAID's Regional Afghanistan Development Program. This 5 year program advances food and economic security for rural Afghans in the Northern provinces of Balkh, Jawzjan, Samangan, Baghlan, Kunduz, and Badakhshan. RADP-North will support actors in the value chain that provide services to farmers to better meet farmer needs with better product and service access and affordability.

Our Strategy

In order to increase wheat farm productivity, we expect to provide services to the wheat farmer trained to better meet his needs via increased access, increased affordability, relevant product offerings, and value added services being delivered as an add-on to product sales.

In response, we see a farmer who better understands his options for selection of seed varieties, who is equipped to choose varieties suitable for his specific farming context, who better understands the application and benefit of farming technologies getting greater returns for his investments and who is willing to trial those technologies because the risk for him has been mitigated through training and the services which support him.



The RADP –North Program will give farmers an opportunity to produce higher value crops.

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Statement of Finances
(per audited Financial Statement)[1]
For Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2014
(all figures in U.S. Dollars)

Support and Revenue:

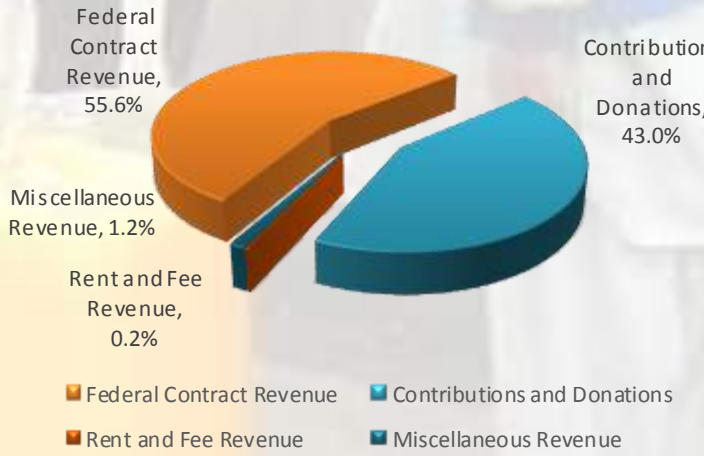
Federal Contract Revenue	372,077
Contributions and Donations	287,758
Rent and Fee Revenue	1,313
Miscellaneous Revenue	7,784
Total Support and Revenue	**668,932**

Notes:: [1] Financial Statement audited by Capin Crouse LLP

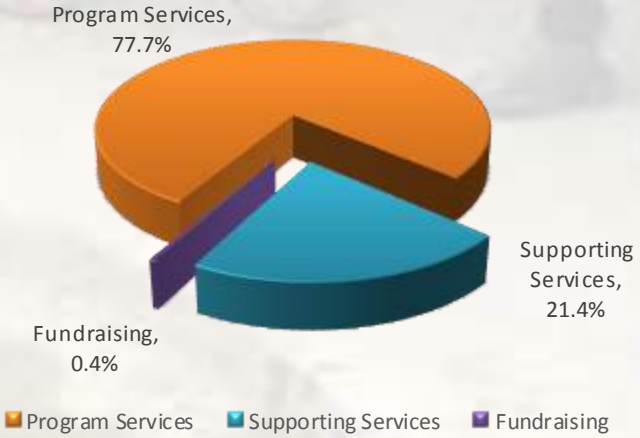
Expenses:

Program Services	
Agriculture Development	339,499
Water Sanitation and Hygiene	237,865
Project Development	11,056
Education	3,732
Total Program Services	**592,152**
Supporting Services	
General and Administrative	162,386
Fundraising	3,177
Total Supporting Services	**165,563**
Total Expenses	**757,715**

Breakdown of Revenue:



Breakdown of Expenses:



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