

FACT SHEET

LIBYA: Stabilization Facility for Libya (SFL)

BACKGROUND

Grantee: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Project Title: Stabilization Facility for Libya (SFL)

Duration: October 2016–September 2018 **Total Donor Funding Received:** \$43.8 million

USAID Contribution: \$6 million

OVERVIEW

Stabilization Facility for Libya (SFL) supports the Libyan Government of National Accord (GNA) by providing tangible 'quick-wins' at the local level in the East, South and West of Libya. SFL implements improvements, such as rehabilitating critical infrastructure and restoring basic public services, in close collaboration with local governing institutions.

SFL is funded by 14 international donors with decisions made by a Governing Board jointly chaired by the Libyan Prime Minister's representative and the United Nations' Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary General. The US Government is represented on the Board by the US Ambassador to Libya as well as the USAID/Libya Senior Development Advisor.



PROGRAM ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

- 1. Rehabilitate light infrastructure and support recovery of critical businesses in communities damaged by conflict;
- 2. Immediately boost municipal capacity to take leadership in local stabilization efforts;
- 3. Strengthen local capacity in conflict analysis, facilitation, and mediation.

PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS

SFL supports return to normal conditions and peace-building programming in five Libyan communities affected by conflict. SFL has completed assessments in five communities -- Benghazi, Kikla, Obari, Sirte and Sebha. After field-based assessments were completed, community consultations were organized with municipal authorities, local leaders and civil society representatives to prioritize social infrastructure rehabilitation (e.g., health, water, sanitation, education). The priorities were presented to the SFL Governing Board for approval, after which SFL mobilized expert teams in each location to deliver equipment and infrastructure improvements.

In early 2017, SFL began refurbishment of public buildings and procurement of equipment to restore essential public services for the first three communities, including: medical equipment and ambulances for hospitals, garbage trucks, generators, solar panels, water and sewage pumps, and prefabricated classrooms for schools. Equipment installation proceeded apace throughout 2017, and solar panels installed on hospitals like those in Benghazi contributed to preserving the cold chain for immunizations and other medications, despite frequent power outages. By April 2017, as Sirte's security improved, engineering assessments proceeded for infrastructure repair, and the city received its first delivery of intensive care unitequipped ambulances and school rehabilitations. Local social peace processes have been launched or strengthened in Benghazi, Kikla and Obari, and preparations are underway for Sebha and Sirte. Mine risk reduction partnerships have been established with three international NGOs to make sure facilities that are brought back into action are safe for citizens to use.

The SFL Project Board is currently considering assistance to additional communities and is working towards meeting its \$40 million project contribution goal.