

UNITED STATES-MYANMAR PARTNERSHIP



- The U.S. is deeply committed to supporting Myanmar's next generation of social, political, and economic leaders. We partner with the people of Myanmar on health, education, inclusive governance and economic growth. Since 2016, **78 Peace Corps Volunteers** have taught English in the **Mon State, Magway, Bago, and Yangon Regions** side-by-side with local counterparts.
- U.S. government assistance to Myanmar totals nearly **\$1.5 billion since 2012**, in support of the country's democratic transition and economic transformation. These investments have helped decrease malaria rates and tuberculous prevalence, increase access to life-saving healthcare, improve livelihoods, and support the aspirations of the people of Myanmar for more peace, democracy, and freedom.
- The U.S. government has provided **over \$45 million** to support credible and inclusive elections in Myanmar. This includes support through civil society to inform and encourage five million new voters, especially youth, to participate in the 2020 elections.

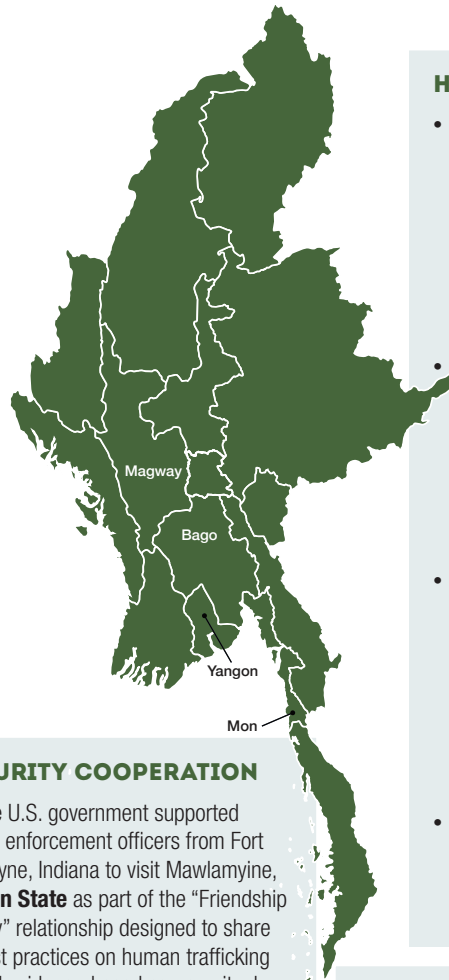


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SECURITY COOPERATION

- The U.S. government supported law enforcement officers from Fort Wayne, Indiana to visit Mawlamyine, **Mon State** as part of the "Friendship City" relationship designed to share best practices on human trafficking and evidence-based community drug prevention.
- The U.S. government has provided equipment and training to Myanmar's Drug Enforcement Division to stem the flow of illicit narcotics and precursor chemicals into and out of the Golden Triangle region and build strong partnerships with neighboring law enforcement counterparts in Laos and Thailand.

HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT

- The U.S. government is working closely with the government and people of Myanmar to support the response to COVID-19, providing more than \$19 million in total assistance. This includes technical assistance for diagnostics and risk communications, donation of needed equipment and supplies and direct support to protect conflict-affected ethnic minority communities.
- The U.S. government collaborated with bilateral donors Britain, Sweden and Switzerland to establish a \$215 million Access to Health fund, focused on providing essential services to vulnerable people in conflict-affected and ethnic minority states, as well as urban populations affected by multi-drug resistant TB.
- The U.S. government's 528 Love campaign aims to destigmatize addiction and create support networks for drug addicts. In its first year, the 528 Love campaign reached millions of people with information for friends and family members of people struggling with addiction and helping to increase awareness of HIV prevention among drug users.
- The U.S. government is also providing technical assistance to help Myanmar reach its goal of eliminating malaria by 2030 and to reduce the burden of TB.

EDUCATION / UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS

- In December 2019, Purdue University signed a MOU with Mawlamyine University in **Mon State** under the auspices of their "Friendship City" agreement; Purdue also signed a MOU with Yangon University.
- American academics are collaborating with faculty at Yangon University to develop the curriculum for the country's first Water Studies interdisciplinary course, to be offered by Yangon University in December 2020.

HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

- Approximately 150 Myanmar students and professionals travel to the U.S. every year on U.S. government-funded exchange programs, including the recently launched Lincoln Scholarships Program which will fund 100 young people to study at the Master's Degree-level. In addition to the technical skills associated with their degrees, the scholars will attend distinct courses on leadership and conflict resolution, so they return to Myanmar as inclusive leaders.
- Each year approximately 30 Americans collaborate with Myanmar host institutions online and in-person on U.S. government-funded programs, providing expertise in fields that are critical to Myanmar's development.
- Myanmar currently counts over 1,200 alumni of U.S. government programs and 15,000 YSEALI members.
- The U.S. government is supporting more than 40 civil society organizations engaging with communities on peace, intercommunal harmony, religious freedom, ethnic inclusion, human rights, and women's rights.

SELECT U.S. EMPLOYERS

Auntie Anne's	DuPont	Sharp & Dohme)
AVIS	Ford	Mundipharma
Ball Corporation	GE	Pfizer
Cargill	Harley Davidson	Pizza Hut
Chevrolet	Hilton	Prestone
Chevron	John Deere	Quasar
Coca Cola	KFC	Rockwell
Colgate-Palmolive	Krispy Kreme	Automation
Corteva	Mathnasium	Schlumberger
Crown Beverage	Mastercard	TPG
Dow Chemical	MSD (Merck)	Visa

ECONOMIC COOPERATION

- The top five American companies have invested \$1.5 billion in Myanmar.
- U.S.-Myanmar two-way trade volume reached \$1.1 billion in 2019.
- The U.S. government has invested \$285 million in Myanmar to support private sector-led growth.
- The U.S. government launched new agriculture projects in the past year, which will invest \$65 million over the next 5 years. Besides promoting increased rural prosperity, the activities will also foster links among the diverse communities of Myanmar.
- The U.S. government supports Myanmar's infrastructure development, including support to the Project Bank and analysis of port options to service the economy around **Yangon**.
- Since December 2011, the U.S. government has worked through several programs along southeastern Myanmar and along the Thai-Myanmar border to provide healthcare, education, food and other humanitarian assistance to migrants, refugees and internally displaced persons. The US government has provided assistance in the areas of water, sanitation and hygiene, education, community strengthening, maternal and child health, food security, and livelihoods.



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