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This document provides brief summaries of all completed grants as of December 31, 2023, under the State and Peacebuilding Fund (SPF). Grants are organized chronologically by region and country.

Region	Country and SPF Grant Title	Grant Objective and Key Achievements	Grant Dates	Grant Amount (Million)
AFRICA, EASTERN AND SOUTHERN	Ethiopia: Enabling resilient recovery and reconstruction	Objective: Support the Government of Ethiopia to assess the impacts of the conflict across northern Ethiopia, laying the foundations for a longer-term recovery and reconstruction strategy.	March 2022 - July 2022	\$0.40
	TF0B8304	Key Achievements: The grant developed training materials and coordination structures to operationalize the methodology of a multi-dimensional assessment of conflict impacts and recovery and reconstruction needs across 18 sectors. Data was collected and validated through remote sensing technologies, national hazard and exposure analyses, the Displacement Tracking Matrix data in partnership with IOM and almost 300 stakeholder consultations. The Ethiopia Damage and Needs Assessment was completed in December 2022, and the Government developed a 2023-2028 Ethiopia Resilient Recovery and Reconstruction Planning Framework to inform prioritization and sequencing of financing and interventions for recovery and resilience. Project findings were disseminated in a launch event in June 2023.		

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EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA	Central Asia: Addressing and Enhancing Resilience to FCV in Central Asia TF0B8749	Objective: Support the Central Asia region in addressing transboundary drivers and risks of FCV and strengthen transboundary resilience in fragile border areas. Key Achievements: The grant supported fragility risk monitoring activities which informed World Bank strategies including the Kyrgyz Republic Country Partnership Framework; strategic analytics such as the Uzbekistan Country Climate and Development Report and Country Gender Assessment; and operations in the region, filling knowledge gaps on local-level FCV risks and sources of resilience. The findings also informed policy dialogue on World Bank operations, including for a new regional operation supporting resilience to transboundary FCV drivers and risks. Based on an iterative process with the country teams and FCV experts, an online dashboard accessible to World Bank staff was developed, enabling teams to directly analyze project-relevant data from the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) in combination with secondary datasets.	June 2022 - October 2023	\$0.25
LATIN AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN	Central America: SAFE Migration: GBV services for migrant women in Central America TF0B8645	Objective: Carry out a Survivor-centered Accessibility Framework Evaluation (SAFE) along migratory routes in Central America. Key Achievements: The grant assessed accessibility to support services in the region, using a combination of satellite imagery, field knowledge from local IOM and UNHCR experts, quantitative field surveys and qualitative interviews. The grant undertook a pioneering mapping effort of the location of key service providers by type, which is available online in an interactive dashboard managed by IOM. The dashboard serves as a regional public good, enhancing clients' and donors' understanding of the nexus between human mobility and GBV issues in the region. In addition to assessing physical accessibility, the team conducted desk reviews, quantitative field surveys, and qualitative interviews as well as workshops with relevant government and civil society stakeholders to examine social, legal and institutional barriers to GBV services for mobile survivor women. The findings informed recommendations for future engagements and were disseminated in two national and one regional workshop.	June 2022 - December 2023	\$0.40

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MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA	Lebanon: Support reforms of the wheat and bread subsidy system <i>TF0B9266</i>	Objective: Develop an economically and fiscally sustainable, as well as a socially acceptable reform pathway to transition away from the current wheat subsidy system, aiming to help avoid further escalation of the dire food insecurity situation and potential social unrest. Key Achievements: The grant supported an economic and financial analysis of Lebanon's wheat, flour and bread price regulation and subsidy system in consultation with external partners such as Lebanon's Joint Steering Committee of the Global Concessional Financing Facility, wherein UNHCR and WFP function as observers, and the FAO. The findings informed a set of policy reform scenarios and recommendations for the government. The grant further supported a communications and stakeholder engagement strategy for the government, to consider key players of the private sector involved in the wheat value chain as well as the most vulnerable host communities and refugees who may be affected by reforms.	August 2022 - June 2023 - March 2023	\$0.40
	Libya: Recovery and Peacebuilding Assessment (RPBA) <i>TF0B8234</i>	Objective: Provide technical support to the government to establish a national strategy for recovery and peacebuilding as a key outcome of the RPBA process. Key Achievements: The RPBA exercise was conducted in close partnership and coordination with the UN humanitarian team on the ground and the EU. The grant supported extensive discussions with government sector representatives during missions, and the review of sector-level data requirements and gaps as well as data collection and diagnostics for selected sectors, including water and sanitation, energy and private sector development. The team prepared several sector-level summaries for the Social Services and Protection Pillar co-led by the World Bank and the UN and contributed to others in the Decentralization and Local Governance sector within the EU-led pillar. While the grant successfully mobilized international community support, the RPBA remained in the initiation and data collection stage due to the September 2023 floods in Libya.	March 2022 - December 2023	\$0.40

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GLOBAL	Gender and forced displacement in cities TF0B8688	Objective: Develop an operationally relevant framework for gender and forced displacement in cities. Key Achievements: A comprehensive Global Report was published in October 2023, comprising a framework along five dimensions of urban forced displacement (UFD) – spatial, physical, social, economic and institutional – to identify gender gaps and good practice examples for interventions. External stakeholder consultations and the organization of focus groups enriched the Global Report. In five cities where Bank operations were being prepared (Bogotá and Cali in Colombia, Karachi in Pakistan, Baidoa in Somalia and Bangui in the Central African Republic), the grant funded ‘city deep dives’, providing data and qualitative understanding of gender gaps. Furthermore, the grant developed a public Global Guidance Note, to consider including gender gap assessments in UFD-impacted cities to better mitigate transboundary risks of future institutional, social and economic stresses.	May 2022 - September 2023	\$0.21
	Addressing gender inequalities in FCV by measuring the Legal environment TF0B8823	Objective: Generate knowledge to address a clear set of gaps, including the lack of cross-country evidence on the role that implementation of laws protecting women’s rights plays in ensuring their economic empowerment, and identify de facto hurdles to the full economic participation of women in FCS and economies with pockets of fragility. Key Achievements: The grant enabled data collection for 38 binary questions accounting for the presence of supportive frameworks critical for the effective implementation of women’s rights, such as special procedures or courts, dedicated implementing agencies, policies or strategies, and incentives. The findings were complemented by expert opinions on gender inequality and implementation gaps of laws, and fed into two policy notes, namely ‘Laws and policies to address violence against women in countries affected by fragility and conflict’ and ‘Women’s Land Rights in Sub-Saharan Africa: Where do we Stand in Practice?’	June 2022 - September 2023	\$0.35

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GLOBAL	Operationalization of the gender dimensions of forced displacement evidence <i>TF0B9181</i>	Objective: Better address the spillover effects of forced displacement in five countries by providing guidance on closing gender gaps and preventing and responding to GBV in forcibly displaced and host communities. Key Achievements: The grant supported country briefs entailing empirical analysis of forced displacement, thereby contributing to the design of an impact evaluation framework to measure the effectiveness of interventions meant to reduce violence against women in Liberia; local workshops with key stakeholders working on human mobility and GBV issues in Central America; and the National Gender Assessment in Nigeria. The grant further developed three Operational Guidance Notes, designed to inform and improve World Bank country diagnostics of the gender dimensions of forced displacement. Key partnerships included those with the Joint Data Center, IOM, UNHCR, FLACSO Costa Rica, and the Cairo International Center for Conflict Resolution, Peacekeeping, and Peacebuilding.	July 2022 - November 2023	\$0.33
	Updated integrated framework for jobs in FCV situations <i>TF0B8925</i>	Objective: Inform the World Bank's and partners' support to jobs in situations affected by FCV. Key Achievements: The grant supported targeted analysis of frontier issues relating to jobs in FCV - specifically the impact of conflict on markets and aggregate demand, and the scope for second-best reforms of macro-fiscal policy - and translated insights from these assessments and existing jobs work into policy messages to update the 'Integrated Framework for Jobs in FCS.'	October 2022 - May 2023	\$0.70

