Successful ANCP Innovations Fund Projects 2011/12

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| **Country** | **NGO** | **Name of Project** | **Description of Project** | **Funding Total (AUD)** |
| Bangladesh | Habitat for Humanity Australia | Building Resilience of Urban Slum Settlements: A Multi-Sectoral Approach to Capacity Building | This project will improve urban resilience in slum settlements in Dhaka, Bangladesh. A set of operational tools will be developed to support the planning and implementation of slum upgrade initiatives. A pilot, testing the usefulness of operational tools, will then be undertaken in one urban slum settlement to address issues including shelter; drainage, water points, water purification, latrines and associated community training, based on an urban resilience framework.  | 303,600 |
| Burma | Burnet Institute | Male participation in improving maternal and newborn health: A community-based intervention | This project aims to improve men's awareness of sexual and reproductive health issues in New South Dagon Township, Yangon. The program will increase men and women’s health seeking behaviour for antenatal (including Prevention of Parent To Child Transmission), delivery and postpartum/postnatal care. Activities include improving existing facility-based health services in sexual and reproductive health, and establishing public-private partnerships to support existing health service delivery and maternal and child health promotion.  | 275,000 |
| Cambodia | Assisi Aid Projects | Innovative food production for floating villages and communities living in challenging environments | This project seeks to improve food security and environmental sustainability for poor families residing in and around Tonle Sap Lake, Cambodia. The program will pilot a niche approach to food production, in the form of floating gardens, to provide flood prone families with a steady source of agricultural produce and reducing existing malnutrition levels. The proposal engages closely with the Cooperation Committee for Cambodia, the national peak body for NGO coordination, and aims to disseminate learning on the pilot initiative within Cambodia and the Australian NGO sector.  | 290,000 |
| East Timor | Marie Stopes International Australia (MSIA) | From Access to Uptake: Promoting and delivering sexual and reproductive health services to urban youth in Timor-Leste | This project will promote and deliver sexual and reproductive health services to urban youth in Timor-Leste. This includes 1) scaling up 'Youth Hotline' service 2) Establishing a network of youth-safe counselling spaces and 3) developing a youth referral tracking system through using mobile technology to facilitate free service delivery for young people. Expected health impacts of these innovations include fewer sexually transmitted infections and HIV infections, fewer early and unwanted pregnancies, fewer unsafe abortions, and ultimately fewer maternal deaths. | 350,000 |
| Philippines | Opportunity International Australia (OIA) | Innovation in Microfinance Evaluation – Building Social Performance Management (SPM) Capability in the Philippines(including pilot Social Return On Investment Evaluation) | This project is concentrates on improving the quality of microfinance services delivered by local development organisations in the Philippines. The program is focused on improving the capacity of local partners to measure social performance to ensure 1) loans reach target groups 2) services are designed in a way that is client focused, protects clients, and meets clients' needs and 3) services help lift clients out of poverty. Additionally, the project will also trial the *Social Return on Investment* evaluation methodology, as a framework to measure progress out of poverty by loan recipients. This will allow for a better assessment of value for money in the delivery of microfinance activities, by providing an indexation that compares monetised outcomes to the investment required to generate it.  | 145,000 |
| Global | WaterAid Australia | Australian WASH Reference Group Regional Community of Practice on Sanitation Marketing | This project will strengthen the capacity of organisations in Australia, Asia, the Pacific and Africa to design and deliver effective Sanitation Marketing based approaches within water, sanitation and hygiene programs. This includes the design of a website to host global resources, the development of Sanitation Marketing Implementation Tools for local practitioners, and a helpline for field practitioners and local partners to support good practice sanitation programming.  | 350,000 |
| Indonesia | Save the Children Australia | Literacy Boost in Belu | This project will focus on addressing the literacy gap for approximately 2000 early primary students in the Belu district of Nusa Tenggara Timor province. It will address low educational attainment among disadvantaged Indonesian primary school students by implementing Save the Children‘s innovative Literacy Boost methodology, that has been trialled successfully, significantly improving literacy in low resource settings in Asia and Africa. | 286,000 |