



**Samoa – Australia Partnership for Development
2012-13 Implementation Schedule
Priority Outcome: Law & Justice**

Aim:	The Partnership will enable Samoa to have safer communities, better access to justice and integration between the customary and formal justice systems	Baseline	Progress¹
Targets for 2015:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improved Rule of Law score in the World Bank Governance Indicators 2. Reduced numbers of serious crimes 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 74th percentile (2008) 2. All crimes 2,776 (2008) 	<p>Partly on track</p> <p>Partly on track</p>

Partnership outputs for 2012-13
10,000 case files scanned between July 2012 and June 2013.
Prosecutors' Manual drafted and finalised.
Crime Prevention Policy drafted and finalised
Implementation of Phase 2 for Neighbourhood Watch Project.
Implementation of Plan for the separation of the Prisons function from Samoa Police.
Sector Statistics Collection and Collation system developed.



Assumptions
Digitisation project fully resourced.
Consultant engaged works with Prosecutions Division of AGO within timeframe.
Necessary Consultant engaged, and other relevant stakeholders on board to work with Crime Prevention Taskforce within timeframe.
Proper statistics from Phase 1 collected and analysed justifying Phase 2.
Legislation enacted; Human Resource Policy, Organisational structure and infrastructure fully resourced. Prisons Review Task Force to support and provide the oversight of the separation.
Relevant IT capacity in the Sector to assess and develop data collection system.



Planned Outcomes for 2012-13	Source of Verification
Increased access by the judiciary, the public and sector agencies to information and relevant legislation.	Number of documents digitised. Completed Prosecutors' Manual. Completed Crime Prevention Policy.
Improved community safety.	Progress Reports on Neighbourhood Watch Project – Phases 1 and 2. Enacted Legislation, recruitment and selection process commenced prisons renovated/built.
Strengthened systems and processes (Improved planning and human resource management).	Sector Agency data systems reviewed and assessed, Plan for sector statistics project developed, systems identified
Access to Offender Rehabilitation and Reducing Re-Offending	

¹ As per the [AusAID Samoa Annual Program Performance Report 2011](#)

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Law and Justice Secretariat capacity building on Monitoring and Evaluation Framework and Program management.	Relevant Technical Assistance secured.	Improved Project design, assessment, alignment, monitoring and evaluation.
Law and Justice Sector Plan 2012-16	Relevant Technical Assistance and training secured.	Sector Plan launched.
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Commitments:		
Year:	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Government of Australia	Grant	
Commitments:	A\$1.5 million	
	In-kind	
Government of Samoa	PACTAM (Legislative Drafter, AGO)	
Commitments:		

Key Risks		Management Plan
Sector Agencies and Secretariat's capacity to implement program		Identify areas where capacity strengthening is required at sixth monthly meetings between GOA and GOS and provide training/technical assistance to build capacity
Ongoing sustainability of projects under the program		Goals, Strategies, Outcomes and Indicators Measures (GSOIM) ensures linkage of agency projects, corporate plans and overall goals of program making sure that projects which fall outside objectives are not considered for support
Poor progress in achieving progress/outcomes		Baseline date confirmed. Action to identify factors limiting progress and agree remedial measures through SC meetings
Reliance of sector on donor funds to carry out program		GOA with Steering Committee the possible adoption of the Secretariat under an existing sector agency or become an independent GOS supported agency. This encourages local ownership of program and continuity. Discussions of long-term support for program a priority in annual partnership talks if there is a probability of donor refocusing its priorities for development.

Supporting information	Sector Issues	Programs
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key coordination mechanism: Ministry of Finance, Sector Steering Committee. • Joint development partners: GOS, AusAID, AFP. This schedule follows the Implementation Schedule in August 2011. Both governments acknowledge the background and analysis contained in that schedule. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Law and Justice Sector Plan 2008-2012 has been reviewed. • The new Law and Justice Sector Plan 2012-2016 is currently being drafted incorporating recommendations from the Review of the 2008-2012 Sector Plan. • M & E Framework for the new Sector Plan needs to be developed. • M & E capacity in the Secretariat and across the Sector needs to be addressed. • Costing (Multi-Year) of the new Sector Plan and Reporting against an M & E Framework needs to occur. • Location of the Secretariat and funding of the Secretariat and therefore its sustainability continues to be considered and is yet to be determined. • Degree of Sector involvement in funding the implementation of the Separation of Prisons Function from Samoa Police yet to be determined. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Law & Justice Sector Support • Pacific Islands Law Library Twinning • Pacific Ombudsman Alliance • Regional Rights Resource Team • Pacific Legal Information Institute • Commonwealth Ombudsman Alliance • AustLII (Australasian Legal Information Institute) • PaCLII (Pacific Legal Information Institute) • New Zealand Department Corrections

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