

# Sri Lanka

## Social Cohesion & Reconciliation (SCORE) Activity

In partnership with the United States Agency for International Development's (USAID) SCORE program, Global Communities is working with the governments of Sri Lanka and Maldives to strengthen Sri Lankan efforts to advance social cohesion and reconciliation. The SCORE activity concentrates on three primary components and corresponding objectives:



1. Promote a cohesive Sri Lankan identity through governmental and non-governmental initiatives;
2. Reduce socioeconomic disparities by supporting sustainable economic development and service delivery among marginalized and conflict affected communities and populations;
3. Enhance community resilience through psychosocial support and capacity building of women and youth as peace leaders in Sri Lanka.

SCORE works collaboratively with the government of Sri Lanka, civil society and private actors at the local, regional and national levels. Targeted program participants include those most affected by conflict, with special emphasis on youth, women, people made vulnerable by conflict and mixed-community groups living across 13 districts in the North, East and South of the country. The project collaborates with community-based organizations, existing and new community-level engagement platforms, religious leaders, cultural associations and other civic organizations. USAID extended SCORE to mitigate social and economic impacts of COVID-19 and support public health and government services to respond to the outbreak.

SCORE is a \$19 million, five-and-a-half-year program implemented with The Asia Foundation and local partners, International Youth Alliance for Peace and National Peace Council. The program supports hundreds of diverse civil society and community-based organizations through small grants to ensure local ownership and buy-in, while building local capacity. To date SCORE has engaged more than 60,000 Sri Lankans through these and other activities.

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