



ICITAP'S HISTORICAL MILESTONES

The International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program (ICITAP) was established in 1986. The following milestones in ICITAP's work reflect world events and U.S. foreign policy priorities.

- 1986 ICITAP begins building criminal investigative capacities of police forces in **Latin America**.
- 1990 In the wake of Operation Just Cause in **Panama**, ICITAP develops and implements a plan to transition the former military security force into civilian-led police forces. This full-scale in-country police development program effectively changes ICITAP from a training organization to a full-service international law enforcement development organization.
- 1991 ICITAP begins assistance in what is now its longest standing country of operations: **Colombia**. In 2002, ICITAP becomes a partner in the Plan Colombia Justice Sector Reform Program and assists the country in its transition to an adversarial system of justice.
- 1992 After United Nations–mediated peace accords end **El Salvador**'s civil war, ICITAP helps build El Salvador's National Civilian Police and establish the National Public Security Academy.
- 1994 After assessing **Somalia**'s police force in 1993, ICITAP deploys to Somalia to implement a police assistance project; instability and fighting terminate the project three months later. ICITAP arrives in **Haiti** two days after U.S. troops and implements a five-year plan to develop a new civilian police force in Haiti; success heightens ICITAP's recognition as a principal resource in establishing security and law enforcement in emerging democracies.
- 1996 After the Dayton Peace Accords are signed, ICITAP supports United Nations efforts to stand up a police force in **Bosnia-Herzegovina**. ICITAP's developmental work—particularly its technical assistance in implementing modern information management systems—becomes critical to combating terrorist and organized crime threats in the region. After peace accords between the government of **Guatemala** and rebel guerilla forces are signed, ICITAP assists in reforming the civilian police force.
- 1997 ICITAP begins providing assistance to the **Newly Independent States** Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan, and also, in the following year, to Moldova and Ukraine.
- 1999 Working with the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, ICITAP leads the building of a police academy in **Kosovo** and begins training the new Kosovo Police Service.
- 2000 ICITAP spearheads the Police Assistance Program for the Indonesian National Police after its separation from the Indonesian Armed Forces; the program expands over the years to focus on building **Indonesia**'s capability to combat transnational crime.
- 2001 ICITAP launches its first program in **East Timor**, supporting the creation and training of a national police force.

After participating in an assessment of **Pakistan**'s border security and control capabilities, ICITAP launches a program to build criminal investigations capacity, improve police management and leadership, and improve law enforcement academy curriculum and training.

In **Macedonia**, ICITAP provides assistance in developing the Ohrid Framework agreement after the cessation of major hostilities and launches both the U.S. government's and the Organization for Security Cooperation in Europe's law enforcement reform missions.

- 2002 ICITAP leads an international advance team into **Afghanistan** and assists in reestablishing the Afghan National Police.
- 2003 ICITAP is the first civilian law enforcement development and training organization on the ground after the U.S.-led invasion of **Iraq**; coordinating with coalition partners, ICITAP helps pen the original police assessment with recommendations; deploys hundreds of professional advisors to Iraq, and trains tens of thousands of Iraqis.
- 2006 ICITAP partners with the **Philippine** National Police to support implementation of its Integrated Transformation Plan, a ten-year strategy to professionalize the organization and enhance the capabilities of the police to fight serious crime.
- ICITAP launches its first partnership with the Millennium Challenge Corporation in **Malawi** on a program to combat fraud and corruption. ICITAP's partnership with MCC grows to include programs in **Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, and Ukraine**.
- 2007 Following political upheaval that prompts a call for elections in **Nepal**, ICITAP begins an election security training program and continues assistance in the area of police reform.
- ICITAP begins projects to combat gender-based violence in **Benin, Kenya, South Africa, and Zambia** as part of the Women's Justice Empowerment Initiative.
- 2008 ICITAP expands expert assistance in Asia—standing up, training, and equipping a special marine police unit for the **Indonesia** National Police. Maritime enforcement capacity building activities begin in the **Philippines** as part of a regional triborder (Philippines, Indonesia, and Malaysia) maritime security initiative.
- 2009 ICITAP deploys experts to support the U.S. military's operations in **Afghanistan**; assistance focuses on developing Afghan capacity in the areas of counternarcotics and detention/corrections.
- The **Civilian Response Corp** unit is established in ICITAP headquarters to support the U.S. government's strategy to implement a whole-of-government approach to reconstruction and stabilization missions.
- 2010 As part of the U.S. government's Mérida Initiative—launched in response to rising drug-related violence in Mexico—ICITAP establishes a field office in **Mexico** and begins coordinating forensics assistance to the federal laboratories.
- In **Algeria**, ICITAP launches its first counterterrorism program fully funded by the State Department's Office of the Coordinator for Counterterrorism.
- 2011 After developing the **Iraq** Corrections Service from scratch over an eight-year period, ICITAP facilitated the transfer of thousands of detainees from U.S. facilities to Iraqi custody. Success in the first overseas corrections development effort of its kind established ICITAP as a leader in building the capacity of civilian institutions and helping to establish the rule of law in Iraq.