

# Youth Job Training Program

VENEZUELA

SECTOR: Education

PROJECT NAME: Youth Job Training Program  
(805/OC-VE)

TOTAL COST: \$25 million

FINANCING:

    IDB \$15 million

    LOCAL \$10 million

DATE OF APPROVAL: December 22, 1993

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The objective of this program is to train a group of young people, who otherwise are likely to be excluded from the labor market, in trades and at the levels for which there is demand in the country, thus enhancing their opportunities for employment and social integration. It is a program without precedent in Venezuela and will be conducted on an experimental basis.

The program will have the following components: (a)

training, which will consist of conducting classroom and practical courses at the semi-skilled level in trades for which there is a demand, for a target population of young Venezuelans over the age of 18 with the following characteristics: they are outside of the regular education system; they have not completed their basic education; they lack the basic skills required to work in occupations in demand in the labor market; they live in poverty; and they are unemployed or underemployed; (b) institutional strengthening to support the Program Coordination and Execution Office (OCEP) and the training agencies that will participate in the program; (c) studies to

adjustments,  
actions;  
program,  
evaluate the program as it proceeds, making any necessary  
and to carry out studies to prepare future labor training  
and (d) publicity to disseminate information about the  
including a promotional campaign.

CONSULTANTS: Individual consulting services will be engaged for the  
institutional strengthening component to support OCEP in the  
following areas: execution arrangements; evaluation and  
supervision of training courses; participation of the  
training  
agencies; and promotion of the participation of women in the  
program. Consultants will also be hired to evaluate the  
program in terms of its focus on the target population,  
execution arrangements and impact. Program evaluation will  
be  
a permanent process and will be conducted by a consulting  
firm  
to be hired for that purpose.

GOODS AND EQUIPMENT: Computer equipment and related software will be procured  
with program funds.

CIVIL WORKS: Not applicable.

EXECUTING AGENCY: Ministry of Family Services

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