

# Sustainable Peace for Colombia

**Building Trust, Building Markets, Building Community**



## program results to date

**1,243**

FARC ex-combatants  
in program

**1,968**

Ex-coca growers  
in program

**2,359**

Jobs created

**\$11.5 million**

USD in trade agreements achieved

**159**

New women leaders

PASO Colombia develops collaboration platforms that successfully mobilize the local intelligence and resources of remote rural communities, and connects them with national and international institutional knowledge, capital, and markets. Instead of beneficiaries receiving aid, PASO Colombia works hand-in-hand with communities who are active participants in the sustainable development of their own territories.

Together these communities, in collaboration with the network of partners PASO Colombia has pooled around their work, prove measurable results toward their vision in the all important areas of sustainable peacebuilding including: establishing social trust, delivering value, and building community.

As a program of One Earth Future, PASO Colombia is an excellent example of our theory of Network Coordination, which is a structured approach to the coordination of peacebuilding work, based on non-hierarchical information sharing with intent to maximize individual contributions toward a shared goal.

# PASO Colombia's Projects

At PASO Colombia we identify, promote, and support alliances between civil society, public and private sectors, with the purpose of building sustainable peace in Colombia.



## ERAs: Bringing People Together for Peace

PASO's Rural Alternative Schools (ERAs) program offers educational collaboration platforms where private, public and community resources are used to promote sustainable rural development. Through the ERAs, peasant communities, ex-combatants in the process of reincorporation, victims of armed conflict, Venezuelan migrants, families that have voluntarily substituted illicit crops, private companies, public entities, non-governmental organizations and international organizations all work together.



## Collaborative Commercial Partnerships

These collaborative commercial partnerships provide mutually beneficial alliances as an alternative to violent conflict by supporting agricultural projects through commercialization, funding, and technical training.



## Coca Crop Substitution

PASO Colombia implemented a Contingency Plan to support families registered in the government's National Comprehensive Program for the Substitution of Illicit Crops (PNIS). This Plan provided participants with an income in return for the time they invested working in collective strategic projects and on-the-job training activities.



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