# ADB-58122-002

Preparing and Implementing the Transformative Housing Reforms for Improved Vitality and Empowerment (THRIVE) Program



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### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Armenia
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-09-30
Borrower	Government of Armenia
Sectors	Construction, Finance, Law and Government, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 0.50 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 0.50 million



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### **Project Description**

As stated by the ADB, the Transformative Housing Reforms for Improved Vitality and Empowerment (THRIVE) Program aims to address the long-term, sustainable housing needs of displaced ethnic Armenians who fled to Armenia in September 2023 because of the long-running conflict with Azerbaijan. Approximately 109,000 ethnic Armenians entered Armenia. The Armenian enclave was formally dissolved on 1 January 2024. In support of the Government Housing Program (hereafter "N 710-L"), the program aims to:

- (i) address long-term and sustainable housing needs for the displaced population through stability, economic inclusion, and improved living conditions;
- (ii) strengthen and restructure government institutions, leading to effective and implementable social housing policies and housing financing practices;
- (iii) encourage regional development in underdeveloped areas of Armenia, fostering economic growth and community resilience.

N 710-L is aligned with the Programme of the Government of the Republic of Armenia (2021-2026). The amount of indicative ordinary capital resources funding required for the subsequent loan is \$250 million. THRIVE is the proposed results-based lending (RBL) program that will be supported by the technical assistance (TA). World Bank will provide parallel financing under their program-for-results financing (PforR) modality, with both institutions working collaboratively with the government and aligning assessments, missions, disbursement-linked indicators (DLIs), and other aspects of their respective programs.

The Technical Assistance will support the preparation and implementation of the ensuing program through a comprehensive set of activities, including due diligence, capacity building, and institutional strengthening. Disbursement-linked indicators (DLIs) will be established to ensure the parallel ADB and World Bank lending programs are aligned with the key outcomes of N 710-L, with DLIs that are efficient for the government to manage and are positioned to maximize development impact. The TA will also identify and address necessary reforms in housing policy and finance during the preparation and implementation phases.



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### **Bank Documents**

• Technical Assistance Report



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### **Other Related Projects**

• ADB-58122-001 Transformative Housing Reforms for Improved Vitality and Empowerment