

**Information about supported projects in 2017 under project “Solidarity Network: Building the Common Efforts for Refugees and Migrants Protection”, funded by the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Belgrade and it’s implementing by Group 484**

**Grant recipient: International Aid Network (IAN)**

**Project Title:** Better life for refugees and migrants

**Project duration:** 6 months

**Grant Budget:** EUR 33,750

**Executive Summary:**

Current situation and perspective for refugees and migrants settled in Bosilegrad are quite unfavorable. It was not their choice to stay there, they all want to go further to European Union and every day spent here is perceived like a punishment for them. With no organized activities, entertainment or opportunities for socializing with local community, their position is even harder to bear. Providing them with contents that are amusing, relaxing, but also useful for them and their family members will make them feel more comfortable with the situation they currently live in and give them more hope for future. Connecting them with local community will give them feeling of acceptance and belonging, while local population will be more tolerable and sensitized to their problems and needs. This altogether will lead to better quality of life of refugees and migrants and their better integration in local community.

Expected project results:

1. Series of creative and psychological workshops tailored for refugee women and children held, leading to better quality of life and greater satisfaction among refugees and migrants settled in the reception center in Bosilegrad.
2. Playground for children built which will improve conditions in the reception center and quality of life of children and adults.
3. Increased knowledge of Serbian language after completing Serbian language courses for refugees/migrants. Increased possibility of employment and easier communication in Serbia for refugees and migrants. This activity will contribute to the better integration of refugees/migrants into local community.
4. Facilitated integration of refugees/migrants into local community thanks to joint activities of local population and refugee/migrants, including children like creative workshops and language courses, as well as public theatre play and trade fair.
5. Raised awareness about culture and problems of refugees/migrants among local population in Bosilegrad through joint activities and public events.

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**Grant recipient: ASTRA-Anti Trafficking Action**

**Project Title:** Jeg er en flyktning. Jeg er en trekkfugl. Jeg er en mann.

**Project duration:** 5 months

**Grant Budget:** EUR 48,305

**Executive Summary:**

This project aims to contribute to the strengthening of humanitarian support and protection of migrants in Serbia by increasing general public awareness on issues faced by migrant women, children and young man and to promote positive attitudes towards their integration in Serbian society. The Grant recipient

will perform awareness raising campaign targeting general public that would further increase capacity of community population to properly respond to the needs of migrants who remain in Serbia and in the longer run decrease risks to which the migrants are exposed.

Expected project results:

1. Raised awareness of general public in Serbia on the importance of supporting and integrating women, young man and children migrants into the society
2. Strengthened working partnership between civil society, government agencies and international organizations present in the field in providing direct assistance to women, children and young men migrants and refugees
3. Increased knowledge of the general population and media about the facts and risks women, young men and children migrants and refugees are facing with.

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**Grant recipient: Foundation Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA)**

**Project Title:** Community Center for Children, Youth and Women from Asylum Center in Krnjaca, and Local Community

**Project duration:** 3 months

**Grant Budget:** EUR 14,999.94

**Executive Summary:**

Key goal of the project is to increase level of protection of the target group - children/youth/women (CYM), including their overall wellbeing. ADRA aims to conduct set of recreational activities involving children, youth and women in social games and activities, to be implemented in specially designed, child friendly space.

The following recreational/sport activities will be realized daily:

- football, volleyball, cricket, basketball - outdoors
- table tennis, table football, football, pool/snooker, gross motor activities for children aerobics (women) - indoors.
- Participation in games (apart from sports) is very important for children and youth. They are ideal to introduce important life skills such as teamwork, creative thinking and cooperation.

Group games for kids are also important for building self-esteem. Through such activities, kids learn more about their capabilities and stretch themselves to achieve goals that they may have thought unattainable. The self-confidence that they gain through successfully completing team building games can transfer over to other aspects of their lives such as school, extra-curricular activities and family. Another benefit of team building activities for kids is that they get to develop their social skills. Team building games typically require participants to work closely together to attain a desired result. Kids learn how to communicate, articulate their ideas and compromise with others during the course of a group game.

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**Grant recipient: Health center Šid**

**Project Title:** Emergency response to the migrant crisis

**Project duration:** 3 months

**Grant Budget:** EUR 13,500

**Executive Summary:**

In the municipality of Šid currently there are more than 1,000 migrants which are located in two reception

centers: Adaševci and Principovac. During the previous period over 700,000 immigrants from over 30 countries has passed through the municipality of Šid.

Under these circumstances, Health Center Šid is facing significant increase of daily workload. This project aims to improve the quality, raising efficiency of diagnostics and provision of adequate health services to patients. For that particular reason, Health Centar Šid needs new automatic biochemical analyzer XL 640, which is to be used for production of biochemical analysis and serums, because the existing one is 10 years old. So far 340 laboratory services have been done for migrants. Five new apparatus for measuring of blood glucose is needed, also, in order to improve health condition of the migrants additionally.

The overall goal of the project is enhancing and improving delivery of health care to migrants and the local population in the municipality of Šid.

Expected Project results:

- improved provision of health services to all migrants
- faster workflow - improving the precision of the obtained results
- efficient optimization of equipment: lower costs by reducing consumption analysis reagents

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**Grant recipient:** Diocesan Caritas Srem

**Project Title:** Animation Activities for Vulnerable Migrants in Serbia 2017

**Project duration:** 9 months

**Grant Budget:** EUR 42,280

#### **Executive Summary:**

Overall goal of the project “Animation Activities for Vulnerable Migrants in Serbia 2017” extension is to support migrants and refugees in reception centers in Principovac and Adaševci through organizing activities for stress reduction. The Grant recipient has a proven record of successful project implementation in local communities of Šid municipality for last 6-months.

During the first three months of the project implementation, Caritas plans to conduct sports activities for migrants and to make mobile sports courts (volleyball and / or football). Also, they are planning to do construction of children's playground, expanding their equipment with teeter and swings. During this period, they also plan to animate as many migrants as possible to play sports and Caritas plans to engage an animator, who would help in organizing sports activities and tournaments. This person will train children and adults on basic rules for sports and physical education.

In the following three to six months, Caritas plans to organize creative workshops for migrants, particularly women, on how to make jewelry and decoupage, primarily in Principovac. In this center they cooperate with SOS Children Villages, so the abovementioned activities will be implemented in the premises that is shared between these two organizations. Animator will organize activities for children and adults on how to make jewelry and decoupage.

Simultaneously with these activities, Caritas will do procurement for the purchase of washing and drying machine for Reception Center Adaševci, since this center has adequate facilities

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**Grant recipient:** Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation

**Project Title:** Support to refugees in AC Tutin and AC Sjenica

**Project duration:** 9 months

**Grant Budget:** EUR 43,152.50

**Executive Summary:**

Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation is one of very few civil society organizations supporting refugees located in Tutin and Sjenica. The Grant recipient has a proven record of successful project implementation in these local communities for last 6-months.

Overall goal of the project “Support to refugees in AC Tutin and AC Sjenica” extension is to support refugees in AC Tutin and AC Sjenica through psychosocial and intercultural activities for women, men and children.

Following activities will be implemented during the project extension period:

1. Serbian language classes for adults (women and men), and children in Tutin

Divac Foundation will organize Serbian language classes for adults and for children. Classes will be organized in local school for languages and the courses will be offered for basic, and intermediate Serbian, adjusted to the cultural specifics by the professional teachers. Classes will be held twice a week at school premises. Language learning will be particularly important for the children, since new school year starts in September, and families exposed interest to send their children back to schools.

2. Outdoor sport activities for men and children in Tutin and Sjenica

With summer and autumn days, refugees will be in a position to spend more time in outdoor activities that will reduce stress, and engage them in creative and healthy way. Foundation will organize and provide sport and outdoor equipment in both locations, including mini goals for soccer, balls, cricket equipment, basketball tables, kits for children, badminton, etc. Each day at each location, local animator engaged by Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation will be present to organize matches, motivate and engage refugees in different activities. In addition, volunteers from local community will participate and involve local CSOs, such as football, basketball clubs, and others for joint events and activities.

3. Art/Serbian Language Workshops for women and children in Sjenica

Workshops for women and children will be conducted in AC Sjenica, in order to familiarize women and children with Serbian language through culture and art. Local animator will organize activities and workshops 3 times per week, along with outdoor activities - aircrafts, paintings, knitting, embroider, decoupage, while learning Serbian language. In addition, Foundation will ensure that local volunteers are also involved in workshops, depending on number of women/children participating as well as Arabic speaking volunteer.