

PROJECT RESULTS



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NEW IDEAS FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES

SOCIALLY INNOVATIVE LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT PROJECTS
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS



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PROJECTS
IMPLEMENTED



8

LOCAL
SELF-GOVERNMENTS



2,809

BENEFICIARIES



112,416

TOTAL CONTRIBUTION

SUPPORT TO VULNERABLE GROUPS

2,417



YOUTH

1,592



WOMEN

243



PERSONS
WITH DISABILITIES

156



CHILDREN

RESULTS BY THEMATIC AREA

Training

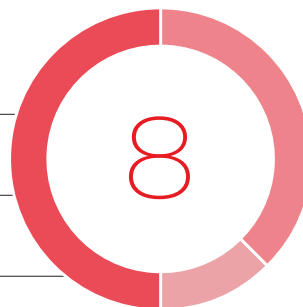
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Through the Swiss PRO programme, the Government of Switzerland supported local self-governments in partnership with civil society organisations (CSOs) to implement socially innovative projects aimed at the needs of vulnerable groups, as well as their social inclusion.

Projects implemented within the public call under the "New ideas for local communities" slogan through training and improved access to public services have contributed to a better quality of life for more than 2,800 citizens.

Project implementation took place from August 2019 to April 2021.



EMPOWERING VULNERABLE GROUPS THROUGH TRAINING



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COMPLETED PROFESSIONAL TRAINING OR ON-THE-JOB TRAINING



51 BENEFICIARIES

EMPLOYED AFTER COMPLETING THE TRAINING



68 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

INCREASED INCOME THROUGH PRODUCING AND SELLING HANDICRAFTS



26 BENEFICIARIES

HIRED ON A PART-TIME CONTRACT



ENHANCED ACCESS TO PUBLIC SERVICES



4 PROJECTS



2.580 BENEFICIARIES



2,264 YOUNG PEOPLE

FROM VULNERABLE GROUPS IMPROVED MENTAL HEALTH THROUGH PROFESSIONAL COUNSELLING



136 PROFESSIONALS

TRAINED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HEALTH SUPPORT



156 CHILDREN

WITH DISABILITIES IMPROVED HEALTH THROUGH NEUROFEEDBACK, SPEECH AND PHYSICAL THERAPIES



24 ELDERLY PEOPLE AND PwDs

RECEIVED HOME CARE WITH MEDICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICE

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LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT	CSO PARTNER	CONTRIBUTION	PROJECT TITLE DESCRIPTION OF ACHIEVED RESULTS
VLASOTINCE	"Smile" Education Centre	Swiss PRO 12,100 EUR Co-funding 2,903 EUR Total value 15,003 EUR	Together for Better Tomorrow A total of 42 persons with disabilities (PWDs) underwent training for the production of handicrafts, while the decorative items made were sold at humanitarian bazaars, which further increased the income of beneficiaries. The new skills acquired improved their access to the right to employment and more independent life in the community. BENEFICIARIES 42
IVANJICA	Ivanjica Association for Children and Cerebral Palsy	Swiss PRO 11,000 EUR Co-funding 1,375 EUR Total value 12,375 EUR	For Better Future A total of 63 beneficiaries have successfully completed accredited training for gerontology caregivers and personal assistants and all 63 of them have been hired to provide local social protection services, 37 of whom have been hired full time. In addition to the economic empowerment of beneficiaries, another accomplishment of the project is the expansion of two social protection services to rural areas, which increased the coverage of social protection beneficiaries. BENEFICIARIES 63
SMEDEREVO	Smederevo City Alliance of Social Humanitarian Organisations	Swiss PRO 11,000 EUR Co-funding 1,245 EUR Total value 12,245 EUR	Without Tools There Is No Craft A total of 26 PWDs have completed handicraft training, and their first products have already been sold at a charity event, while marketing was agreed with local tourist organisations, which will contribute to the generation of their income and better social inclusion. In addition, their income generation will also be enhanced by the continued ability to sell their products through an established website. Sustainability has been established by allocating funds from the city budget to continue the implementation of this inclusive programme. BENEFICIARIES 26
RAŠKA	Raška Association for Helping Persons with Disabilities	Swiss PRO 13,380 EUR Co-funding 1,900 EUR Total value 15,280 EUR	Move on! A total of 98 beneficiaries from vulnerable groups have completed various trainings related to the improvement of professional knowledge and skills, as well as on-the-job training that will improve their employability in the labour market. As a result, 14 beneficiaries have been employed. BENEFICIARIES 98

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ĆUPRIJA	Ćuprija Red Cross	Swiss PRO 12,410 EUR Co-funding 1,820 EUR Total value 14,230 EUR	Support to Quality Life of Elderly People and PWDs Providing home care and psychosocial support for the elderly and PWDs in rural and urban areas, which make up over 20% of the population in Ćuprija. In addition to the essential service, an additional type of support was provided in the form of medical assistance, repairs and cultural activities, which improved their quality of life. The only project which continued its activities during lockdown introduced due to the COVID-19 epidemic, so that it had a mitigating effect on the beneficiaries. BENEFICIARIES 24
NOVI PAZAR	Novi Pazar Association of Physiologists	Swiss PRO 13,900 EUR Co-funding 2,375 EUR Total value 16,275 EUR	Improving the Advisory Therapeutic Service Through the Introduction of Neurofeedback Therapy A total of 120 children with disabilities, mostly with autism spectrum disorders, gained better access to health care services through the introduction of neurofeedback therapy. The therapy improved the level of executive function of children, as well as their concentration for studying in school. In addition, ten professionals have completed training for the use of neurofeedback therapy, which will contribute to the sustainability of the service, as well as the fact that the City of Novi Pazar has already allocated budget funds for the continuation of the service in 2021. BENEFICIARIES 130

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CONTRIBUTION

PROJECT TITLE DESCRIPTION OF ACHIEVED RESULTS

NEGOTIN

Association "Rainbow"

Swiss PRO
10,580 EUR
Co-funding
1,450 EUR
Total value
11,030 EUR

Let's Be Stronger

A total of 36 children with disabilities, mainly with autism spectrum disorders, received medical therapies from speech therapists and physiotherapists, which improved their physical and mental health, as well as their concentration for learning. There are good odds for its sustainability because the therapy equipment is located in the Primary Health Centre and is available as a regular service.

BENEFICIARIES

36

ZAJEČAR

Timok Youth Centre

Swiss PRO
13,471 EUR
Co-funding
1,507 EUR
Total value
14,978 EUR

Open Door Behind the Closed Door

A total of 2,264 young people attended the established counselling service on the web platform for improving mental hygiene among young people, which contributed to their better social inclusion. In addition, 126 professionals received certificates for attending educational seminars on Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) and conflict resolution, thus improving their professional knowledge and skills for working with young people. Through the participation process of all young beneficiaries and their parents, the project established separate support groups based on the most common support needs such as Internet addiction, peer violence, and psychoactive substance abuse.

BENEFICIARIES

2,390

TOTAL Swiss PRO contribution

97,841 EUR

TOTAL Co-funding

14,575 EUR

TOTAL VALUE

112,416 EUR

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES

2,809

The "Enhancing Good Governance and Social Inclusion for Municipal Development" Programme – Swiss PRO" contributes to improving the quality of life of Serbia's citizens, especially vulnerable ones.

Swiss PRO Programme activities include advancing the rule of law at the local level, strengthening social cohesion and increasing the accountability, transparency, efficiency and effectiveness of local self-governments, as well as civic participation in decision-making processes.

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