

Project title: *Preserving Roma tradition, culture and customs in Montenegro from oblivion*

Lead applicant: NGO "Romski krug" Nikšić

Duration: 4 months

Total budget: 2.500,00 EUR

Objective and purpose of the project

- Preserving and promotion of the tradition, culture and customs of Roma in Montenegro
- Raising awareness of the cultural and national identity of Roma in Montenegro

Main activities and results:

- 78 old RE persons (56 women, 22 men) interviewed about tradition, customs and culture of Roma population,
- 70 copies of the brochure "Tradition, customs and culture of the Roma in Montenegro" produced, which has been translated into the Romani language,
- Printed copies of the brochure distributed to: representatives of the media, libraries in 13 municipalities in Montenegro where Roma people live, elderly people who were interviewed about the culture, tradition and customs of Roma, Roma NGOs in Montenegro, international organizations in Montenegro, relevant national institutions.
- A press conference organized at which the brochure was presented, conducted by representatives of REF, Help and NGO "Roma Circle"

<http://www.vijesti.me/vijesti/odstampna-publikacija-o-tradiciji-crnogorskih-roma-957016>

Project title: Preserving language and culture by radio shows

Lead applicant: NGO "Enfants" Berane

Duration: 4 months

Total budget: 2.720,00 EUR

Objective and purpose of the project

- introducing Berane society with the culture, customs and problems that the RAE community faces in their settlements and in Berane municipality.
- improving the awareness of the RAE population in Berane in their mother tongue (Roma, Albanian) about all happenings in the RE community in Berane
- preserving the linguistic, ethnic, cultural and customary features of Roma and Egyptians in Berane.
- strengthening cooperation with institutions and organizations dealing with RE population i issues.

Main activities and results:

- 10 radio shows broadcast on Radio Berane in the period from June to October 2017.
<https://radioberane.wordpress.com/2017/06/15/ciklus-emisija-posvecenih-re-populaciji/>
- the Berne public were informed about the social inclusion of the RE population in Berane through radio shows that included interviews with representatives of institutions and organizations that are direct actors in the process of inclusion, and they work in the following areas: education, upbringing, employment, health, sport, culture and humanitarian activities.
- cooperation with institutions was strengthened: Preschool institution "Radmila Nedić", Bureau of labor Berane, Health Center "Dr Nika Labović", Red cross Berane and Center for Culture Berane. Cooperation with sport clubs and with NGOs was strengthened: Sambo club, NGO "Mladi Romi", and NGO "Ruža"
- Approximately 100 Roma and non-Roma people watched the movie "Unnoticed" at the Cultural

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Project title: Improving the social life of young Roma people in the area of Konik
Lead applicant NVO “Romi u sportu”
Duration: 6 months
Total budget: 2.500 euro

Objective and purpose of the project:

- Improving the living conditions of Roma and Egyptian youth and school children in Konik settlement.
- Association of youth and school children into sports and social organizations in order to show their talents through creative and healthy activities-

Main activities and results:

- More than 20 children became new members of the judo club "Nenad Sinanovic", of which several talented children were selected for participation in competitions.
- 20 judo kimonos for children of the RE population provided, as well as 35 pieces of tracksuits and t-shirts for participants of Judo Club "Nenad Sinanovic"
- A brochure in the Roma and Montenegrin languages entitled "Improving the social life of young Roma and Roma women in the Konik area" on the importance of involving a large number of Roma children in sport activities,
- Presented learned skills at the final event visited by over 100 spectators.
https://www.facebook.com/zajednozaREinkluziju/?ref=br_rs

Project title: Summer camp for learning about Romani identity

Lead applicant: Romani Youth Organisation „Phiren Amenca“

Duration: 4 months

Total budget:: 3.206,00 EUR

Objective and purpose of the project:

- Building and strengthening Roma culture and Roma identity.
- empowering and familiarizing young Roma and Roma women with the history, culture and language of Roma.
- Strengthening the capacity of young Roma to promote the language and customs, identity and culture of Roma in society in order to reduce stereotypes and discrimination against Roma.
- Encourage young RE populations for public activism in society.

Main activities and results:

- six-day summer school held in Čanj, where 15 young Roma and Roma women took part www.phirenamenca.me
- Video from the summer school recorded: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Nuf--uax7k>
- An online informer with basic information on history, culture and Roma language was created and published on Romalitika website: www.romalitika.me
- press conference on the presentation of the results of the project was organized, supported by the Help and the Ministry of Human and Minority Rights. On that occasion the International Romani language (5 November 2017) was also marked.

Project title: The First Roma portal “Romalitika MNE”

Lead applicant: Romani Youth Organisation „Phiren Amenca“

Duration: 4 months/4 mjeseca

Total budget: 3.150,00 EUR

Objective and purpose of the project:

- Raising public awareness of the problems of Roma in the process of social integration in society.
- Promoting the importance and necessity of education, integration and networking of the Roma population, as well as strengthening Roma capacities.

Main activities and results:

- Ten workshops were organized within the period of two months attended by 10 young Roma boys and girls
- Workshop participants learned how to write a short story, an autobiographical story, how to explore social issues important for the public.
- 10 autobiographical stories published on the portal Romalitika portal Romalitika with the goal of influencing the overcoming of stereotypes and prejudices towards the Roma community and promoting education as the only way for social inclusion of the Roma community
- Romalitika portal was created www.phirenamenca.me
- the editorial team of the portal Romalitika was formed, consisting of the editor-in-chief, assistant of the editor, technical support and administration staff, as well as the person in charge of photo processing.
- A public conference on the presentation of the results of the project was organized, supported by the Help and the Ministry of Human and Minority Rights. On that occasion the International Romani language (5 November 2017) was also marked.
<http://www.phirenamenca.me/?content=home&mod=news&tip=single&id=140>

Project title: Our Health

Lead applicant: NGO „Rose” Berane

Duration: 6 months

Total budget: 2.000,00 EUR

Objective and purpose of the project:

- to improve health of the children of the Roma and Egyptian population in the Berane municipality.
- to improve the hygienic habits of students of the Roma and Egyptian populations and to raise awareness among children about the importance of regular personal hygiene,
- to improve the knowledge and skills of teaching staff on the importance of promoting the maintenance of personal hygiene among children of the RE population.

Main activities and results:

- 4 educational workshops for 80 children of RE population were organized. The children were informed about the importance of maintaining personal and oral hygiene, proper tooth brushing, personal hygiene equipment, healthy and unhealthy food.
- A workshop for teachers and management of elementary school "Radomir Mitrović" Berane was organized with the aim of providing methods of additional encouragement of children of RE population to regular maintenance of personal hygiene.
- Organized dental check for 80 RE children
- 100 pieces of leaflets for preserving oral health and maintaining hygiene were created and distributed
- 20 posters were printed off and placed in classrooms so that the children of both the RE population and the majority population get a positive habit of regular and proper tooth brushing.
- 80 children received oral hygiene packages

Promotion: <https://radioberane.wordpress.com/2017/08/25/dvije-nvo-iz-berana-dobile-grantove/>

Project title: Promotion of Romani literature in Montenegro

Lead applicant RAE Savjet kampa in cooperation with the NGO "Prostori"

Duration of the project: 6 months

Approved budget: 3.000,00 EUR

Objectives and purpose of the project:

- Presentation of Roma culture and literature in Montenegrin and Roma language because of overall improvement of RE population position in the society, social inclusion and empowerment of the process of integration into the Montenegrin society;
- Promotion of Roma literature and culture to the Montenegrin public for the improvement of coexistence and improvement of life quality of RE population in Montenegro;
- Promotion of the preservation of literary heritage and contemporary creativity of the RE population;
- Presentation of Roma heritage and literature to the general public;

Main activities and results:

- Presentation of literature of Roma authors and literary works about Roma population in Roma and Montenegrin languages within the program of the international literary festival "Odakle zovem", Podgorica 2017 (June 27 - July 2, 2017). The Romany language translation enabled enjoying in original version of Roma poetry. Romani music was performed by RE artists <http://www.odaklezovem.net/> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hhm8s6yE1cY>
- audio material of 10 stories was recorded, published in the book "Roma People's Story" in Romani and Montenegrin languages, broadcast on the Roma Radio, in November 2017;
- audio material of 10 songs in Romani and Montenegrin language was recorded, broadcast on Roma Radio in December 2017;
- CDs with recorded material to schools and cultural institutions distributed.