



REPORT OF THE FOUNDATION OF LOCAL DEMOCRACY

FOR 2011.

The Mission of the Organization

The Foundation of Local Democracy has grown from the international organization Embassy of Local Democracy Barcelona-Sarajevo, established in 1996 upon the initiative of the Council of Europe, with the aim of linking and twinning with other European cities, the development of democracy, cultural exchanges, and socio-economic development. During the existence of the Embassy of Local Democracy (1996-2003), over 300 projects had been implemented. The projects were implemented in the areas of reconstruction, sustainable returns, health and social care, education and culture.

In January 2003, we have re-registered into a local organization - the Foundation of Local Democracy - as legal successor of the Embassy of Local Democracy Barcelona-Sarajevo, in accordance with the Law on Associations and Foundations of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The vision of the Foundation of Local Democracy is to create *a society of equal opportunities*.

The mission of the Foundation is the prevention, protection and fight against gender-based violence through system solutions, multidisciplinary approach to work and cooperation with other NGOs and institutions of the system.

Objectives of the Foundation:

- The promotion and protection of human rights at all levels of social and public life;
- Support for joint action of women's groups and NGOs in empowering women to actively participate in the transformation of the BH society and the equal role of women in the public and private spheres;
- Improving the social status of women through prevention and protection against domestic violence and other violence by organizing shelters, reception and treatment centres, training and retraining, provision of legal aid;
- Promotion and protection of children's rights, particularly in terms of protection from domestic violence, exploitation of children, their use in any illegal form;
- Development of civil society by supporting and implementing projects that promote human rights, helping the development of NGOs engaged in the democratization of society;
- Projects to protect and preserve cultural and historical heritage and legacy;
- Fundraising and creation of a fund to assist in the institutional and economic empowerment of NGOs and institutions in BH, in accordance with the applicable legislation in BH;
- Improvement of the capacity of NGOs and creation of conditions for long-term sustainability of NGOs;

- Establishment of a favourable environment for a better legal and policy framework, as well as the wider public awareness of the nature and role of NGOs, including the active role of joint institutions at the state level;
- Cooperation with European and world organizations of similar program orientation.

Principles of work of the Organization:

- A multidisciplinary approach
- Achieving long-term results
- Cooperation with governmental and nongovernmental sectors
- Transparency in the work and activities
- Partnership and solidarity-Teamwork
- Good information flow and good communication
- Motivation and voluntarism

Basic information about the Organization

Table 0.

Name:	Foundation of local democracy
Type of organisation:	Foundation
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Board of Directors:	<p>On October New Board of Directors has been chosen as follows:</p> <p>Ms Halima Hadžijamaković, economist, President of the Board Employed : Prevent invest, Director</p> <p>Ms Klelija Balta, Hydrogeology engineer- Member of the Board Employed : UNDP DG/SI Klaster, Gender Coordinator</p> <p>Ms Midheta Kurspahić, journalist, Member of the Board Employed : Public institution Elektroprivreda BiH, PR</p> <p>Mr Alija Čengiđ, economist, Member of the Board Employed : Cultural institutions</p> <p>Doc. dr. Irma Deljkić-Member of the Board Employed: zaposlena u: Faculty of Criminology and Security Studies</p>
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Report of the Foundation of Local Democracy for 2011

EXPERIENCES

PROGRAM AREA: IMPROVEMENT OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF WOMEN, GIRLS AND CHILDREN

Donors:

Ministry of Labour, Social Policy, Displaced Persons and Refugees of Canton Sarajevo

City of Sarajevo

Specific objective: The promotion of the right to a life without violence – protection

- Improvement of the position of women, girls and children through the prevention and protection against gender based violence.

These programs are community-based, founded upon the human rights of women, children and girls victims of domestic violence and violence from third parties. They

promote the need for change (legal, medical, social) in the direction of reducing violence and creating conditions in which the victim is taken care of and where she receives the necessary psychological and social support. The broad aim of the program: the creation and development of systems to protect victims of abuse; promoting gender-based violence as a public problem; creating a network of NGOs dealing with issues of protection of victims of domestic violence; influencing the institutions of the system to change the attitude towards domestic violence and trafficking of women.

A/ Program „The power is within you“

This is an integrated basic program of the Organization relating to the protection of persons with traumatic experiences of domestic violence and the promotion of joint activities of women NGOs and institutions against domestic violence (ongoing project since 2000).

Within the framework of the program, from October 2000, we have headed the Safe House - Shelter for women and children victims of domestic violence.

The capacity of the Shelter is for 35 beneficiaries (15 women and 20 children) who are victims of domestic violence. The primary objective of the project is providing direct care and psychological and social support to extremely vulnerable groups of women, children and girls (placement in a shelter and providing the necessary psychological and social support).

Admission to the shelter is made upon the recommendation of the Centre for Social Work, police departments or NGOs, on the basis of the signed protocol on dealing with victims of domestic violence between the Foundation of Local Democracy, Cantonal Centre for Social Work and the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Sarajevo (Department for Special Purposes).

The benefit to the community is manifold, because the shelter is in the area of the Sarajevo Canton the only safe house for women, girls and children victims of violence.

B/ Program „You can do it“

Implemented since October 2002, during which time we have established a **Shelter for Girls Victims of Violence** (human trafficking, incest, prostitution) and is intended for Bosnian nationals aged 12-18 years.

The Shelter has the capacity for 10 girls who are victims of mental, physical or sexual violence (human trafficking, incest, prostitution, rape). The primary goal of this project is to provide the direct protection of women victims of violence. It is designed for the Bosnian nationals aged 12-18 years. The shelter provides the girls with psychological and social rehabilitation (group and individual therapy) and re-socialization (continuing education and reintegration into social life).

This is the only shelter that provides care of this category of population in BH.

Types of services provided to victims of domestic violence in the Safe House/Shelter:

- Psychological and social treatment (individual, group, educational, supportive, recreational, work and occupational therapy, medication);
- Providing medical and legal assistance, in cooperation with our business partners (Centre for free legal assistance FLD, KCUS, health and other medical facilities);
- Therapeutic work with the partner / abuser together with social protection services in the Sarajevo Canton in the premises of the Service or within the family via mobile visits;
- Administrative solution of cases of violence, as well as criminal prosecution of violence in cooperation with the Social Protection Services of Canton Sarajevo, the Canton Sarajevo Police Department, the Sarajevo Canton Prosecutor's Office, Municipal Court, etc.

Partnership and cooperation is maintained with institutions and NGOs: with the Ministry of Human Rights of Bosnia and Herzegovina, SIPA, Ministry of Labour, Social Policy, Displaced Persons and Refugees of Sarajevo Canton, Cantonal Centre for Social Work Sarajevo, Department of Social Protection of Sarajevo Canton, Sarajevo Canton Municipality, police departments of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Canton Sarajevo, Emergency Services of Canton Sarajevo, "Hope and Home for Children", the clubs of treated alcoholics.

Signed **protocols and agreements on cooperation** with: Ministry of Human Rights in BiH, Cantonal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Refugees and Displaced Persons, Ministry of Internal Affairs of Sarajevo Canton, the Cantonal Centre for Social Work and Family Counselling.

FINANCING

Since 2001, The Ministry of Labour, Social Policy, Refugees and Displaced Persons of Canton Sarajevo with the signing of a Contract for the co-financing of victims staying at the Shelter has accepted the FLD as an equal partner in solving the problem of violence in Sarajevo Canton, which provided the partial self-sustainability of the project (60%).

Since 2008, the City of Sarajevo has financed the Safe House (5%).

Since 2008, the project, funded in part by the UNHCR supported the Safe House in Sarajevo, allowing access for women in shelters to (appropriate) education in order to allow their training and retraining, as well as health services / services for persons who are not covered by regular health insurance.

In 2009, a cooperation agreement was signed with the Ministry of Human Rights in BH on financial assistance programs for persons exposed to sexual violence.

SUMMARIZED REVIEW OF STATISTICS

Safe House and Shelter for Girls

Period October 2000 – 31st December 2011

CATEGORY	NUMBER OF VICTIMS PLACED
WOMEN	447
CHILDREN	636
GIRLS	194
TOTAL	1277

Review of the beneficiaries of the Safe House according to the place of residence/municipality

Period 1st January 2011 – 31st December 2011

Table 2.

CENTERS FOR SOCIAL WORK IN CANTON SARAJEVO	CATEGORY OF BENEFICIARY PLACED IN A SAFEHOUSE			TOTAL
	* WOMEN	* CHILDREN	*GIRLS	
CENTAR	5	9	0	14
STARI GRAD	3	12	1	16
NOVO SARAJEVO	2	1	3	6
NOVI GRAD	5	7	2	14
ILIDŽA	5	2	3	10
VOGOŠĆA	2	2	0	4
ILIJAS	8	10	6	24
HADŽIĆI	2	2	0	4
TOTAL (Σ)	32	45	15	92

Comparative statistics of admissions in 2010 and 2011

CATEGORY	NUMBER OF VICTIMS PLACES IN 2010	NUMBER OF VICTIMS PLACED IN 2011
WOMEN	31	32
CHILDREN	40	45
GIRLS	21	15
TOTAL	92	92

From the enclosed it is evident that in the category of women there was one more admission in 2011 compared to the previous year. There is a rise in the number of

children by 12%, and a decline in the number of beneficiaries in the category of girls by over 30% comparing to the previous year.

According to the local jurisdiction

The greatest increase in the number of users per local authority areas was from the Municipality of Ilijaš, with an increase of over 70% compared to the previous year. We have recorded an increase in the number of beneficiaries in the municipality of Novi Grad by a total of 40%. There was a decline in the number of beneficiaries from the municipality of Novo Sarajevo by 100%, the Municipality of Ilidža by 90% and the Municipality of Vogošća by 90%.

Differential statistical analysis:

The age structure of women in the period 1st January 2011 – 31st December 2011

Age	Number of persons	Percentage
18-25	5	15,63%
25-35	18	56,25%
35-45	4	12,50%
45-55	4	12,50%
55 and more	1	3,12%
Total	32	100 %

The largest number of admitted women was aged 25 to 35. This confirms the conclusion that violence takes place from the very beginning of the marriage and that it is at its most intense in the first years of life together. It is very important to emphasize the development of women's awareness of domestic violence. The data indicates that women seek to escape violent relationships and seek institutional support in the first years of marriage. The past practice of patriarchal upbringing and prejudices (suffering in silence, it is your fault, stay with her husband at any cost ...) is losing its significance and intensity.

Educational level of women

Education	Number of persons	Percentage
Without education	4	12,50%
Unfinished Elementary school	2	6,25%
Elementary school	12	37,50%
High School	14	43,75%
Academy	0	0,00%
College	0	0,00%
Total	32	100 %

The largest number of women (43%) has completed secondary education. Based on past experiences and the statistical analysis, there is an increase of people with secondary education degrees. In the first years of the work of the Shelter, there was a prevalence of the number of women with only primary education (incomplete or complete).

Employment – women

Employed	4	12,50%
Unemployed	28	87,50%
Total	32	100 %

If we take into account that the greatest number of users by age structure and education, we can state that the rate of female unemployment is alarming at 87.50%. This data supports the fact that the economic abuse is the basis for other types of abuse.

Age structure - Children

Age	Number of children	Percentage
0-1	7	15,53%
1-5	11	24,47%
5-10	15	33,34%
10-15	9	20,00%
15-18	3	6,66%
Total	45	100 %

It is noticeable that the largest numbers of children that come to the Shelter with their mothers are aged between 5 and 10 years, which is in agreement with the analysis of the age structure of women.

Age structure - Girls

Age	<i>Number of persons</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
12-15	1	6,66%
15-18	7	46,67%
18-20	2	13,33%
20 and more	5	33,34%
Total	15	100 %

The largest number of girls (46.67%) is aged 15 to 18 years. This data suggests that parents often do not know how to adequately respond to crises in adolescent children. This is the period in which children seek their own identity, new life roles (myself, my ego).

OTHER ESTABLISHED SERVICES FOR THE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION AGAINST VIOLENCE

1. „SOS Red Line, telephone for victims of violence“

The Foundation of Local Democracy has launched the service called "SOS Red Line, telephone for victims of violence" in June 2004. The objective was to provide a 24-hour line to allow reports of violence and the possibility of intervention in preventing violence.

After the four-month training of 15 volunteers, the SOS Red Line 033/222 000 was opened, a line where citizens, especially the Sarajevo Canton, are allowed to report any kind of violence, but also to obtain adequate information on how to address the problem of violence, or who to contact for further assistance. The phone is open 24 hours.

The Instruction on the procedure for emergency phone calls was signed between representatives of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Sarajevo Canton, Cantonal Centre for Social Work and FLD. In this way, a system of emergency intervention was established in the Sarajevo Canton.

On 26th May 2008, upon the initiative of the Gender Centre of the Federation of BH a memorandum of cooperation was signed between the FBH Gender Centre and the Centre for Social Work Jajce, " Foundation of Local Democracy " - Sarajevo, "Medica Zenica" - Zenica, "Vive – Žene" - Tuzla, "Žena BiH" - Mostar "Žene sa Une" - Bihać. In this way a unique SOS helpline 1265 has been established for the Federation of BH. According to the regional rotation of calls to helpline for victims of domestic violence, the of Foundation Local Democracy is taking calls from the Canton of Sarajevo and the Bosnia-Podrinje Canton.

Statistical review of SOS calls
(1st January 2011 – 31st December 2011)

No	Type of SOS call	Number of calls	PERCENTAGE
1.	Domestic violence reported	390	61,41 %
2.	Any other type of violence reported	52	8,19 %
3.	Legal aid	49	7,72 %
4.	Medical assistance	7	1,10%
5.	Combined type of assistance	17	2,68 %
6.	Information/other	120	18,90 %
TOTAL:		635	100 %

There have been 390 cases of reports of domestic violence (over 60%), whereby we have received a total of 52 reports of other forms of violence. These calls were related to the report of violence by strangers, harassment, sexual harassment, mobbing, etc. The highest number of reported cases of domestic violence came from the very victims of violence, while a smaller number of reports were conducted by relatives, neighbours, and friends. The largest number of calls was made by the female sex, a total of 535 calls, whereby there were 98 calls made by men, which is an increase in number compared to previous years. Most of the calls made by males were in relation to the reporting of violence by the husband (psychological abuse), the report of violence against children by parents seeking information about the protection that is conducted over victims. It is noticeable that during most of the calls we received from the victims, they requested intervention from the police, which was not the case in the previous year.

It should especially be emphasized that there is an increase in the number of calls of the former beneficiaries of the Safe House, whose purpose was to inquire about necessary information, especially because they need to continue to receive psychological and social support.

SUMMARIZED REVIEW OF SOS CALLS FOR THE YEAR 2011 COMPARED TO 2010

TYPE OF SOS CALL	2010	2011
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTED	460	390
ANY OTHER TYPE OF VIOLENCE REPORTED	53	52
LEGAL AID	24	49
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE	17	7
COMBINED TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	30	17
INFORMATION/OTHER	387	120
TOTAL	971	635

COMMENTARY:

There is a decrease in the total number of SOS calls by over 50% in comparison to the previous year.

2. MOBILE TEAM

The service was established in July 2004.

After the training intended for employees of the Centres for Social Work, the project formed a Mobile Team (MT) consisting of two representatives of the FLD and one representative of the Centre for Social Work. A Collaboration Protocol was signed

between the Cantonal Centre for Social Work Sarajevo and the Foundation of Local Democracy on the mutual cooperation in the work of mobile teams.

The objective of forming the Mobile Teams was visiting the families of former direct beneficiaries of the Shelter for the purpose of monitoring the situation in the family. In this way, through therapeutic work with the family, including the abusers, continuous violence is prevented as well as its multiplication in the community.

Within this service, since 2008, supervisory meetings have been established with psychologists from Social Protection Services of the Sarajevo Canton. Meetings are held once a month for three hours, led by Dr. Emina Kapetanović-Bunar, a specialist in neuropsychiatry, at the premises of the Safe House. At the meetings, in addition to personal work, the discussion focuses on the current beneficiaries at the Shelter as well as the planned visits to the former beneficiaries.

During the year 2011, the Centre Municipality has financially supported the work of the Mobile Teams, whereby 12 mobile visits have been realized to former beneficiaries of the Safe House. During these visits, the families received a package of food and hygiene supplies.

Name of Project: „GREEN LINE”

Donor: United Nations Population Fund – UNFPA

Implementation period: 1st January 2011 – 31st December 2011– continuation of the project

The necessity for the project:

The Foundation of Local Democracy has been successfully implementing for the sixth year a project to initiate the establishment of a basis for obtaining relevant information and inputs on sexual and reproductive rights, right to a life free of violence and discrimination based on sex, which may help in defining the necessary relevant statistical monitoring in BH. Through several years of implementation of this project there was a clear need to strengthen the young people of BiH in the fight against domestic violence and violence in adolescent relationships, by working with young people.

The sub-project - realization of the theatrical production "Violence". During the period of two months (November-December 2011), the play "Violence" by author and director Zijah A. Sokolović, under the sponsorship of the UN agencies (UN, MDGF, UNDP, UNFPA, UN Women), the EU and NATO in Bosnia, which was realized by the Foundation of Local Democracy in Sarajevo, in collaboration with four (4) Sarajevo actors, was performed a total of fifty (50) times for students of primary and secondary schools. Seven (7) performances were realized in the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton - Mostar, ten (10) in Republika Srpska - Banja Luka and thirty three (33) performances were conducted in Sarajevo Canton.

Project activities:

- Regular updating of the SGBV database and the work of the Green Line
- Creating an interactive website for the "Green Line"
- Creating and distributing a short film / video clip about the problem of violence among and against youth
- Ten interactive workshops for pupils of primary and secondary schools
- Media promotion of the "Green Line" (in printed and electronic media)
- Design, printing and distribution of promotional materials, "Green Line"

Beneficiaries

717 beneficiaries of services - search for information and assistance via phone or direct contact with operators of the Green Line.

In 2011, 717 calls were directed to the "Green Line" (143 by men and 574 by women) citizens, with respect to issues covered by the project itself. Over 55 inquiries were directed via the web page "Green Line" by young people (adolescents). Students are the population of young people who are also covered by the project "Green Line" - over 50 students have used our service information, advice and visited us at our offices.

Results of the project

Of the total number of calls (717) directed to the "Green Line" (143 by male and 574 by female callers), 308 calls or 43% of the total number of calls referred to different forms of domestic violence (51% was related to physical violence, 29% to psychological violence, 17% of economic violence, 2% of sexual violence and 2% of child neglect), while other calls are related to discrimination based on gender, sexual and reproductive rights, social protection and legal aid which amount to 24% of total calls, with 14% of that number referring to the legal assistance that was required by interested citizens. Comparing the analysis of the "Green Line" i.e. the number of calls from 2010 with this analysis, we notice that there was an increase of 171%, which is understandable given that we had started work in June 2010. The interactive "Green Line" website is open and available non-stop to those interested in questions and answers that one can acquire from it. Over 55 inquiries were referred to the web page "Green Line" by young people (adolescents). In addition, over 500 students were included in the education in their schools on the topic of "Violence in Teen Dating" – they also viewed a film that was created as a visual representation of the problem as part of the workshop, which is an effective tool where young people realize and recognize all forms of violence - because some of them after watching the film realized that they had similar problems, without recognizing it as violence.

Name of Project: "AID TO WOMEN VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND WOMEN VICTIMS OF WAR"

Donor: UNHCR

1. Implementation period: 1st January 2011 – 31st December 2011.

Necessity for the project:

For the fifth consecutive year, the Foundation of Local Democracy has through this project provided assistance to women who have been displaced, refugees and returnees, as well as victims of domestic violence, human trafficking and victims of war. The project tries to aid in those segments that are insufficiently covered by the system and institutions of society such as facilitating access to health services to beneficiaries who are not insured, additional assistance necessary to the proper functioning of the Safe House in Sarajevo, ensuring the economic independence of the target groups through training and retraining in occupations and skills required and the starting of small businesses (self-employment) which allows these beneficiaries economic independence.

Project Activities:

- Provision of health conditions and services
Enabling access to medical treatment / examination of the beneficiaries of the Shelter in Sarajevo, procurement of necessary medicine
- Procurement of medical supplies and basic clothing / footwear for beneficiaries of the Shelter
- Education
(Provision of institutional or non-institutional but certified and recognized training for all users of the Shelter and other identified beneficiaries of the project, in accordance with their capabilities and needs.)
- Self-employment/economic independence in order to start small businesses, by supporting successful projects submitted by women who are victims of domestic violence, human trafficking or victims of war, with the status of refugees, displaced persons or returnees

Beneficiaries

In 2011 we had a hundred and seventy three (173) directly involved beneficiaries in the project.

Results of the project

In 2011 we had a total of a hundred and nineteen (119) beneficiaries in the economic empowerment project, and in comparison to 2010, the number was increased by 21 beneficiary. It was ensured that twenty (20) women victims of war in Goražde receive regular monthly neuropsychiatric treatment. (With regular visits to the neuropsychiatrist there was a clear improvement of the psychological and physical condition of women.) Ten (10) beneficiaries were enabled to receive adequate shelter and additional health care (examinations and appropriate treatment) and all beneficiaries were provided with medicine in the Shelter (on a regular, monthly basis). A regular monthly purchase of medical supplies, basic clothing / footwear was conducted for the Shelter beneficiaries. One (1) beneficiary of the Shelter for victims of violence has enrolled in (additional) education, or rather part-time enrolment in the 4th grade of the Textile Secondary School in Sarajevo, and one (1) beneficiary is enrolled in the second year of the Faculty of Forestry. Thirty-four (34) beneficiaries enrolled in courses that are certified and can help them in their future independence (English language course and computer course). Fifty-three (53) beneficiaries who have been victims of domestic violence, human trafficking

or the war with the status of displaced persons, refugees, returnees and domicile persons were able to enter into self-employment based on their capacities and capabilities. Nineteen (19) had decided to acquire a greenhouse for the cultivation of vegetables, nine (9) had decided on a hand tiller for the milling of the land, eight (8) decided for breeding cows with hay, five (5) of them opted for tailoring services and thereby acquired sewing machines, five (5) decided to apply for mobile hairdressing equipment, four (4) have decided to start their own business with a professional machine for cleaning - Karcher machine, one (1) opted for a submersible pump for the orchard, one (1) for a sheep and one (1) for the machine to print images on T-shirts, glasses, ashtrays, etc.

Based on these data, we have observed a slight increase in the income of the beneficiaries, if we consider that in 2010 we had 43 beneficiaries and in 2011 we have 53 beneficiaries that we have economically empowered.

Partners in the project

Women Victims of War – Goražde; the Association of Detainees of FBH (Sumeja - Potoci), Mramorje – (Konjević polje, Goražde), the Association of Detainees of Republika Srpska – Višegrad, Center for Social Work, Medica –Zenica, Vive Žene – Tuzla, United Women – Banja Luka, Women BH – Mostar.

Name of Project: „VIOLENCE IS NOT MY CHOICE”

Donor: UNDP

Implementation period: 1st August 2011 – 1st February 2011

The necessity for the project:

Violence among children is not recognized as a problem by adults who come into contact with children (parents, policemen, teachers, counsellors, educators, social workers, health workers and others). Based on available data on violence against children (Initial report on violence against children in Bosnia and Herzegovina), there was a general conclusion that children and their teachers, as well as parents, are not educated, primarily on notions of violence and abuse, and then even on the rights of victims. Parents are not sufficiently sensitive, do not devote enough time on the education and conversation with their children, the education system is currently in the process of reform and the schools are not able to respond to the growing number of problems because there is no organized and institutional education on this issue. The best way to stop violence against children and among children is the prevention of violence itself. It is necessary to work on educating high-risk groups and individuals on the possibilities of violence, how to avoid dangers and seek support and assistance, and the public promotion of the problems of bullying as a growing form of destruction of the family. This is the case in particular in the demonstration of newer, lesser known forms of violence, like violence on the Internet.

Project Activities:

- Creating, recording and distributing promotional films / videos on violence on the

Internet among / over youth

- Educational workshops (in 5 selected primary and 5 secondary schools in the City of Sarajevo, created with the use of educational film / DVD.)
- Media promotion of the film and the project
- Evaluation of project activities

Beneficiaries

300 students of primary and secondary schools in the municipalities of Sarajevo, 26 people from the same school - professional staff (teachers, pedagogues, psychologists) who learned skills that can be passed on.

Results of the Project

As anticipated, the script of the film was developed and a short film filmed showing scenes of violence via the Internet among young people with clear messages on how to proceed when it comes to this form of violence.

In addition, workshops have been successfully implemented with the aim to educate children and teachers on all types of violence, especially the modern form of violence via FB, and for them to offer information and solutions to respond to the perceived problem. The workshops have exceeded our expectations in the sense that it was anticipated that 200 students will be trained through workshops, whereby the project managed to cover 300, and that the project was provided for 10 teachers and ultimately included 26 (teachers, counsellors, psychologists, i.e. qualified personnel that can transfer the acquired skills).

The film was distributed to the schools involved in the project, as well as other schools at their request. In addition, interest in the movie was demonstrated by other NGOs, NGO networks, and portals like www.osonakas.com.ba (29th December 2011), [Http://efm.ba/2011/11/29/nasilje-nije-moj-izbor/](http://efm.ba/2011/11/29/nasilje-nije-moj-izbor/). Statements for the press and media were sent with the aim of informing the public about this project and the film, and the following media outlets reported information about the project: Liberation, EFM Student Radio, etc.

Partners in the project: Educational Pedagogical Institute of Sarajevo Canton, Sarajevo.

Name of Project: „City of Sarajevo – Secure Community“

Donor: Undp

Implementation period: 1st August 2011 – 17th March 2012

The necessity for the project:

Like any contemporary society, especially a society in transition, the city of Sarajevo is increasingly characterized by insecurity. The legal, economic and social environment that defines and determines the possibility of meeting basic living needs of the citizens of Sarajevo to a life free of violence are underdeveloped, insufficient and do not provide adequate

protection. Relevant actors in society are not recognized, nor have so far been engaged in researching the link between the personal safety of the community and violence caused by the urban environment, to promote non-violence against women, especially girls in the creation of a secure community.

As a result, there are no programs or projects that can contribute to a more efficient fight against this problem in a way that respects the rights of women, especially girls, to dignity, freedom of movement, personal safety, as well as the right to live free of violence in everyday life. There are no urban programs for preventing violence against women and girls, adjusted to the conditions of local communities, resulting in increased violence against them and generally an increase in violence, especially domestic violence.

Project Activities:

- Analysis of the security situation in the Municipality of Novi Grad
- Surveying
- Creation and printing of security analysis of the City
- Creating of the Map "Critical Points of the Municipality of Novi Grad"
- Round table: Presentation of the Map to representatives of local authorities and civil society of the Municipality of Novi Grad
- Placement of Maps in public areas
- Transfer of knowledge
- Evaluation and media promotion of the project

Beneficiaries

Women, especially women who work, go to school, go out and live / reside in the municipality of Novi Grad. (The survey will include 200 girls / women.)

The representatives of relevant institutions of the system / local government (Department for the field of Physical Planning and Urban Affairs, Office of Inspection, Department of Civil Protection, the Department of Housing and Communal Affairs, Reconstruction And Protection Of The Environment, Planning Department of the Canton of Sarajevo, Department of Public Health of the Canton Sarajevo, police Department of Novi Grad, Ministry of Internal Affairs of Canton Sarajevo, CSW Novi Grad, schools in the municipality of Novi Grad, etc.), as well as representatives of civil society with this and other municipalities of Sarajevo.

The ultimate beneficiaries are all citizens and the City of Sarajevo that will feel safe in the selected municipality, regardless of whether they live / work or are just passing through it. Their number is estimated at 90,000.

The results of the project

The proposed project will ultimately result in the following:

- Acquiring for the first time data on violence against women, especially girls from the point of impact of the environment on violence against women. For the first time, there will be 150 copies of printed and distributed analysis of the security situation in the municipality of Novi Grad in terms of violence against women, especially girls, as well as the Analysis of the situation regarding the security of the population by official institutions;

- There will be a map of "Critical Points of the Municipality of Novi Grad" with clearly identified and described "critical points" on the maps of the Municipality of Novi Grad, which will be the basis for concrete actions that lead to the improvement of these points, but also to create programs and anticipate projects / activities to overcome these dangerous points where violence is most frequent;
- Strengthened capacity of 30 representatives of local government and civil society of this municipality on the ways and possibilities for their action, with the aim of improving the urban environment, and reducing violence against women, especially girls;
- Higher degree of security of citizens, especially vulnerable groups such as children (girls), as well as those who are potential victims of violence;
- Raised awareness of the population of this municipality and beyond (the city of Sarajevo), the possibilities and ways of converting the Municipality of Novi Grad into a safe community.

Partners in the project: The municipality of Novi Grad

- Improved knowledge of the employees in the departments of social protection on new methods of working with victims of domestic violence through work with the abuser;
- Raised awareness of the importance of a multidisciplinary approach to the problem of domestic violence;
- Introduction of a new method of protection and the fight against domestic violence by working with abusers and self-help groups;
- During a period of five months, a total of 16 self-help groups were organized.

Project partners: Centre for Social Work

CENTRE FOR FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO WOMEN

1. STATUTARY OBJECTIVE:

Through the Centre for legal assistance to women (victims of domestic violence, single mothers, women victims of war, the women on the social margins, women victims of trafficking) The Foundation of Local Democracy operates and conducts activities to meet statutory goals No. 1, 2 and 6.

2. DONOR

FLD has within the segment of free legal assistance to women received support for four (4) projects by foreign donors, so that in the period 1st January 2011 – 31st December 2011 two projects have been successfully implemented and two are in the course of implementation.

Donors who have financially supported the project of free legal assistance to women are:

1. USAID – JSDP II – The United States Agency for International Development – the Judicial Sector Development Program II

Name of the Project: The Centre for Free Legal Assistance to Women

Implementation period: 20th August 2010 – 30th March 2011 (USAID JSDP II)

The project aims to promote and protect the rights of vulnerable and marginalized groups by facilitating access to law and justice through the establishment of the Centre for free legal assistance to women of the Sarajevo Canton.

The necessity for the Project

The general unfavourable situation in the country for marginalized groups (economic and social), lack of free legal services intended to help women to achieve existential rights, costly expenses for legal and professional counsel imposed the need for organizing such a service that would encompass all of the available free legal aid (legal advice, drafting pleadings before the court and administrative authorities, representation before courts and administrative bodies, education and strengthening of knowledge of the beneficiary through publications).

Meeting the needs of the beneficiary for free legal aid by the FLD is provided through the Centre for free legal assistance, which is intended to offer totally free professional, appropriate and high quality legal assistance to most vulnerable categories of women - victims of domestic violence, single mothers, women victims of war, women on the social margins and women victims of trafficking.

Project Activities:

- Work of the Office for Legal Assistance - free legal aid services (free legal advice, writing submissions and representation in court)
- Presentation of modern approaches to justice and the legal system to vulnerable and marginalized groups of women

Within this activity we have realized a series of round tables and meetings aimed at promoting the Centre for Legal Assistance FLD, establishing cooperation with institutions of the system and other potential actors in the system of free legal assistance, as well as the analysis of options for developing a new systems network of services with the joint collaboration of NGOs and institutions of the system.

Results:

- Provided free legal aid for vulnerable groups of women in the Sarajevo Canton;
- Realization of two round tables and 23 meetings with representatives of NGOs and institutions of the system;
- The established system of cooperation with institutions and NGOs that are directly involved in the system of protection of marginalized groups.

Name of Project: Advocacy for Improved Implementation of the Law on Protection Against Domestic Violence

Implementation period: 1st September 2011 – 30th March 2012 (USAID JSDP II)

Project objective: Increase the use of protective measures as a mechanism to protect victims of domestic violence under the Law on the Prohibition of domestic violence FBH through advocacy.

Project Activities:

The work of the Centre for free legal assistance to women

- Centre for Legal Assistance - operation of the office for free legal aid (Indicator of success: 300 free legal councils)
- Analysis of application of safeguard measures
- Round table with all participants - presentation of the Analysis of the current situation - discussion, recommendations, guidelines
- Education: a training program for representatives of police departments and other training programs for social services
- Media campaign to increase public awareness about the mechanisms protection - the flyer will be distributed during the specified project activity

Results:

- The analysis of the application of protective measures with recommendations for better implementation of the Law;
- Conducted Round table;
- Conducted two-day training for staff in Centres for Social Work, police, courts, prosecutors' offices from the Federation with the participation of 40 persons.

Partners: Association of Women Judges BH

UNDP – United Nations Development Program

Name of Project: Strengthening the system of free legal aid in the Sarajevo Canton

Implementation period: 15th October 2011 – 15th April 2012

Project objective: Strengthening the system of free legal aid in Canton of Sarajevo through the establishment of a network of free legal aid providers.

Project Activities:

- Establishment of a network of providers of free legal aid in the Sarajevo Canton
This activity has enabled the establishment of cooperation with all municipal services of free legal aid in the Sarajevo Canton. The establishment of cooperation is enabled through an informal network of legal aid providers in the area of Canton Sarajevo with the aim of exchanging information, coordinating the work on free legal aid services, exchange of experiences and knowledge. Within this activity register of providers of free legal aid was created containing all data on free legal aid providers BPP in Canton Sarajevo.
- Strengthening the capacity of municipal services and free legal assistance through vocational education

Results:

- Two roundtables realized to establish cooperation with nine providers of free legal assistance;
- Established an informal network of nine (9) providers of free legal aid in Canton Sarajevo;
- Created, edited, designed and printed in the Register of providers of free legal aid in circulation of 1000 copies. Registry aims to guide the final beneficiary to the service that can most adequately respond to his/her need, and thus facilitate the work of providers through the available information about other providers of free legal aid;
- Established cooperation with social protection services and their strengthened capacity whereby the FLD is able to provide free legal assistance to their beneficiaries through the Centre for Legal Assistance;
- Strengthened staff capacity of the providers of free legal aid in Canton Sarajevo through the realization of two professional training programs

Partners: Eight (8) municipal services of free legal aid in the Sarajevo Canton

7. BENEFICIARIES

For the period 1st January 2011 to 31st December 2011, the Centre for legal assistance to women had a total of 1183 direct beneficiaries.

Under the category of direct beneficiaries:

Victims of domestic violence:	345 Canton Sarajevo; 63 from other areas of BIH
Women on social margins:	502 Canton Sarajevo; 20 from other areas of BIH
Women victims of war:	41 Canton Sarajevo; 2 from other areas of BIH
Single mothers:	295 Canton Sarajevo; 22 from other areas of BIH
(Mobile Team: 22)	

Indirect beneficiaries: approximately 3600 (family members, NGOs, Centres for Social Work and other institutions of the system).

8. RESULTS OF THE PROJECT

Consolidated project activities “Work of the Office for Free Legal Assistance to Women” for all four (4) projects:

Results of free legal aid in respect of services rendered for the period 1st January 2011 to 31st December 2011: Centre for legal assistance to women who had a total of 1183 direct beneficiaries.

The average number of provided free legal aid services per working day is 6.9.

Total cases completed for 82 beneficiaries.

From this the total number of successful collection of alimony is 28.

Other number of concluded cases based on lawsuit ended is 54.

The number of successful outcome of cases is 81.

Number of unsuccessful outcome of cases is 1.

Remaining items: all others are in court proceedings.

- **Donor:**

United Nation High Commissioner for Refugees/ UNHCR


- **Name of Project:** „*Free legal aid to seekers of international protection in Bosnia-Herzegovina*“

Implementation period: 1st July 2010 – 31st December 2012

The necessity for the Project:

The project was launched to provide free legal assistance for international protection and the need to ensure the provision of international protection in Bosnia-Herzegovina in accordance with the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, the Convention on the Protection of Refugees and other relevant international instruments dealing with human rights, which were ratified by Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Project Activities:

-  Working with beneficiaries (asylum seekers, refugees, persons under the Subsidiary protection, victims of trafficking, persons who were under the temporary admission, asylum subsidiary protection) which includes information,

- legal counselling, representation before competent authorities (administrative / judicial)
- ✚ Raising public awareness and advocacy (informing the public about the aims and activities of the project through the media, information material printing and distribution thereof)
 - ✚ Participation in the approval of amendments to the law relevant to this matter
 - ✚ Attending various training programs to strengthen capacity

Beneficiaries:

Direct: 18, as follows:

Asylum seekers 9; People who have had the status of temporary admission, 4; People with refugee status 3; Persons under the protection of a Subsidiary 1; Trafficking victims 1.

Indirect:

Information about the rights they are entitled to have provided three indirect beneficiaries, of whom two were asylum seekers in BH, and the third had the status of temporary admission.

- **The results of the project:**
- Legal assistance (information, legal advice, representation) was received by a total of 20 beneficiaries (direct and indirect), as foreseen in the contract concluded between the FLD and the UNHCR. The relatively modest number is caused by reduced influx of applicants for international protection in BH, as well as the fact that another organization, "Your Rights" has primacy with regard to long-term action in this area.
- In addition to the translation of leaflets into the English language in the earlier period, during 2011 translations were conducted into Arabic, Hindi and Persian. A certain amount is distributed in three Field Service Centres for Foreigners in Bihać, Zenica and Banja Luka, as well as the Immigration Centre in Lukavica and Asylum Centre in Rakovica during regular visits, where they are provided after a certain amount of time with new information material, depending on the need. Visits to the remaining Service Field Offices will be conducted in the coming period.
- An active role in the process of passing the Law on Free Legal Aid at the cantonal and national level, during which the law was adopted at the cantonal level, with

seven out of ten of our proposals. Currently we are waiting for adoption at the state level, where, according to unofficial information, most of our proposals have been accepted.

- Exchange of information with other organizations, domestic and foreign, engaged in providing legal assistance to applicants for international protection or are otherwise involved in this issue
- Meetings with the State administrative bodies responsible for the field of asylum in terms of developing good relations and cooperation

1. Program objective of FLD: Protection of the cultural, historical and natural heritage

2. Donor: European Union

3. Name of Project: “Green management of protected areas in cross-border region of Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina”

4. Implementation period: 1st January 2010 – 31st May 2012.

5. The necessity for the Project:

Protected areas now cover only 5.86% of the territory of Serbia, and 0.49% of the territory of BH. There are 462 protected areas in Serbia and 383 protected areas in Bosnia. EU standards stipulate that at least 11% of the territory should be protected. Protected areas in both countries are mainly managed by the state through public enterprises. Practice has shown that most of these protected areas, faced with limited funding and under-qualified and motivated staff that cannot provide self-sustainable management. The private sector and NGOs, in certain circumstances, may be more effective in managing natural resources, because of easy access to various funds, as well as their staff. It is necessary to find alternative innovative solutions to ensure the sustainability of protected areas and support sustainable economic development through ecotourism development. These solutions can be generated by non-governmental organizations dealing with the environment, conservation of natural and cultural heritage and raising public awareness on the protection of natural resources.

6. Project Activities

- Analysis of current situation in Bosnia and Serbia (institutional, organizational and legal frameworks) regarding the management of protected areas and ecotourism development, identifying shortcomings and making recommendations for improvement;
- Organization of the inception workshop for managers of protected areas, NGOs, local authorities and relevant ministries of both countries in order to introduce the project;
- Preparing and conducting a questionnaire survey of local residents in targeted communities;
- Development of guidelines for integrated management of natural resources and

sustainable development of tourism in accordance with relevant international conventions;

- Organizing training workshops for managers and relevant nongovernmental organizations from Bosnia and Serbia with the aim drafting and participatory development of the Action Plan for the integrated management of natural resources and sustainable development of tourism in protected areas;
- Preparation of project documentation for less intervention in the region of the two pilot areas (one in Bosnia and one in Serbia);
- Establishment of a network of protected areas and non-governmental organizations involved in the development of eco-tourism and nature protection in cross-border program area;
- Creation and implementation of promotional campaigns (video, website, printed promotional material);
- Organization of the final project workshop with a presentation of project results.

7. Beneficiaries

Target groups: NGOs, environmental NGOs, the management of protected areas, institutions dealing with the protection of nature, local authorities and relevant ministries, research organizations, regional and local development agencies.

Final beneficiaries: The population program areas, local communities, landowners, researchers, educational institutions, students, pupils, young people, NGOs, small and medium enterprises , tourism sector in both countries.

8. Expected results of the Project

- Conducted analysis of existing conditions and recommendations for improvement;
- Created Action Plan for strengthening the role of environmental NGOs in the development of protected areas and sustainable tourism within the program area, in accordance with relevant national strategic documents;
- Created guidelines for integrated management of natural resources and sustainable development of tourism in accordance with relevant international conventions;
- Practical implementation of integrated natural resources management and development of ecotourism in practice in two pilot areas;
- Increased capacity and opportunities for ecotourism development in the two pilot areas;
- Established network of protected areas and non-governmental organizations involved in developing eco-tourism and nature conservation in the program / border area;
- Continued expansion of information and communication through the network;
- Increased capacity of organizations and individuals involved in the management of protected areas within the program area.

9. Partners in the Project:

Implementation from BIH: Foundation of Local Democracy with partner the Ministry of Physical Planning and Environmental Protection of Canton Sarajevo.

Implementation from Serbia: Gorana Movement of Sremska Mitrovica with partner the Institute for Nature Protection of Serbia.

The Ministry of Physical Planning and Environmental Protection of Sarajevo Canton will participate in the funding the Project in the amount of 16.4% of the total project budget of BiH.

Much of the project has been successfully implemented in 2011. Particularly successful was the realization of the Workshop in Sremska Mitrovica, which was attended by 20 representatives of NGOs and institutions in BH, as well as 33 representatives from Serbia. The activities to be implemented in 2012 are the completion of the Action Plan, recording of promotional spots on the 10 protected areas (5 in Bosnia and in Serbia 5) to promote the development of ecotourism in protected areas, and organizing the final conference in Sarajevo, where participants of the project from both countries will be present and where the results of the one-and-a-half year project will be presented. The collaboration with the partners from Serbia on the project was excellent, and together we have once again applied to the new call IPA CBC Serbia - Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Name of Project: Children's Summer 2011

Donor:

Directorate for European Integration

Implementation Period: June - July 2011.

The necessity of the Project:

The "Children's Summer" has become a traditional event in the Summer Festival Bašćaršija Nights. The program has been realized since 2002 and aims to entertain the youngest population and bring to them a basic understanding of the significance and importance of preserving the environment that surrounds us in its social, natural, cultural and historical sense.

In 2011 in order to support the education and raising awareness of the values and ideas of the European Union, and the importance of European integration for Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Foundation of Local Democracy, in collaboration with the Directorate for European Integration as a friend of Children's Summer programs have helped maintain (financially and logistically) workshops for young children.

Project Activities

Through four workshops, the children, with games and interactive content offered by the EU Palčić magazine and the colouring book Travel with the Star, prepared and issued by the Directorate for this year, made the first steps in learning about the European Union and the way towards the membership of Bosnia and Herzegovina to this European family. The first workshop was titled "Rhythms of Europe" was held on 6th July 2011 in the area in front of the Cathedral.

The second workshop was entitled "European Collage" was held on 13th July 2011 in the park Atmejdán.

The third workshop was entitled "Tales from Europe" was held on 20th July 2011 in the

park

Atmejdán.

The fourth workshop "Stars of Europe" was held 27th July 2011 in the park Atmejdán.

Beneficiaries

Direct beneficiaries of the Children's Summer were children from 1-18 years of age, through active participation in the programs; indirect beneficiaries are their parents and other visitors / citizens, who watched the program, and also in part giving support to the youngest. According to the number of gifts distributed, the total number of users is 1000.

The results of the Project

Through four workshops, the children, with games and interactive content offered by the EU Palčić magazine and the colouring book Travel with the Star, prepared and issued by the Directorate for this year, made the first steps in learning about the European Union and the way towards the membership of Bosnia and Herzegovina to this European family. The quality content was complemented by workshops and summer vacations for children, for whom there are no adequate facilities during the summer months in the city. The bad economic situation has affected most citizens and therefore is demonstrated also in the material inability of parents to take children to performances or concerts that require paid tickets; therefore this was the perfect opportunity to indulge their children with lots of free fun, educational games and lots of gifts.

The project also raises the level of awareness of children, as well as other citizens (parents and other visitors), through active participation in programs that were offered during the event of the importance and process of accession of BH into the EU.

The Foundation of Local Democracy marked 15 years of work in 2011.