

PROFILE

Donor: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

Budget: \$ 267,916

Main partner: Local governments

Duration: February 2018 – December 2019

GOAL

To employ young Roma women and men in local governments and/or other governmental or non-governmental institutions at the local level.

CONTEXT

Roma belong to the largest ethnic minority in the Republic of Serbia and are still among the most deprived communities, often facing discrimination, social exclusion and unequal access to employment, education, housing and health services.

The Government of the Republic of Serbia is intensifying the work of national and local institutions dealing with social inclusion of Roma, reducing their poverty and combating discrimination, as well as creating conditions for full access to human rights.

The project supports development of skills and employment of 45 young Roma in local institutions to formulate, implement and monitor Roma inclusion policies at the local level.

FOCUS

- Influence social and political processes relevant to the Roma inclusion in the municipalities of residence;
- Work with local authorities to increase their commitment towards Roma inclusion by facilitating Roma employment in local institutions (Centers for Social Work, Local Economic Development Offices, Trustee Offices for refugees and displaced persons, National Employment Service branch offices, etc.);
- Advocate for the interests of Roma community at the local level, by working together with various stakeholders to achieve sustainable results.

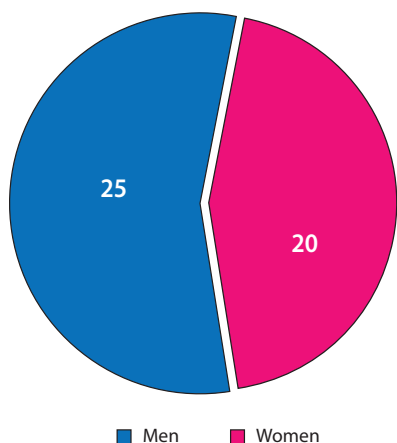


RESULTS TO DATE

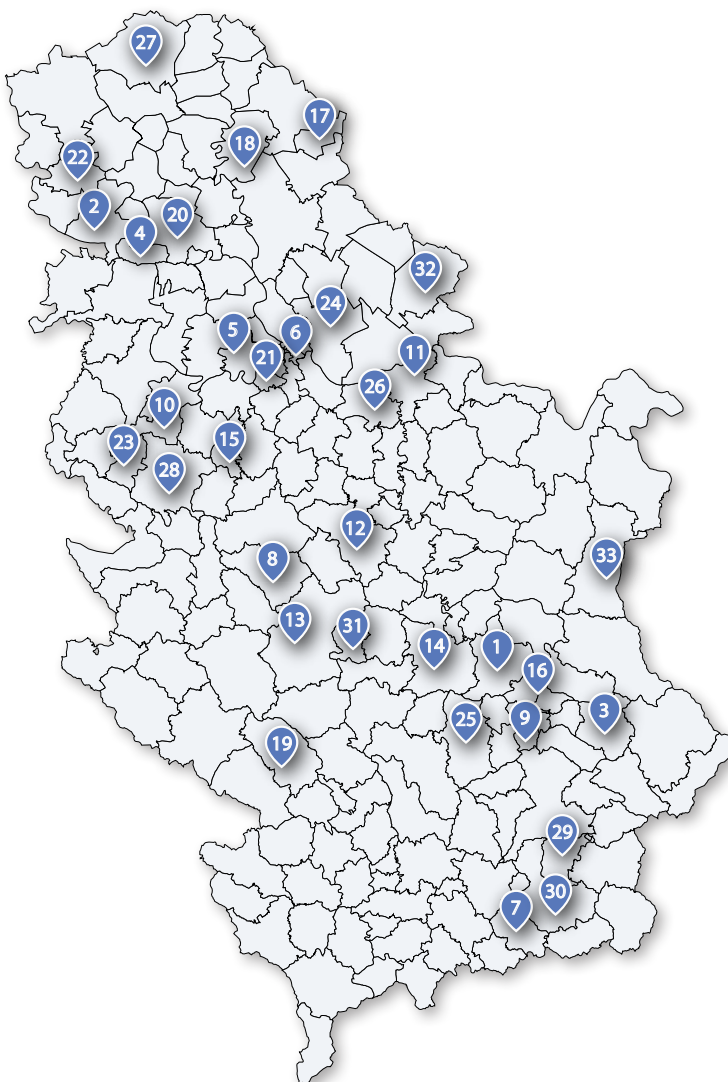
✓ 45 selected young Roma increased their knowledge on human rights, discrimination, legally invisible people, stateless persons, internally displaced persons and returnees, vulnerable group rights (access to social welfare, employment, education), functioning of mechanisms for social inclusion and Roma inclusion at the local level.



Program participants (by gender)



Map of Engagement



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| 1. Aleksinac | 12. Kragujevac | 23. Osecina |
| 2. Backa Palanka | 13. Kraljevo | 24. Pancevo |
| 3. Bela Palanka | 14. Krusevac | 25. Prokuplje |
| 4. Beocin | 15. Lajkovac | 26. Smederevo |
| 5. Beograd/Surcin | 16. Nis | 27. Subotica |
| 6. Beograd/Zvezdara | 17. Nova Crnja | 28. Valjevo |
| 7. Bujanovac | 18. Novi Becej | 29. Vlacin Han |
| 8. Cacak | 19. Novi Pazar | 30. Vranje |
| 9. Doljevac | 20. Novi Sad | 31. Vrnjaska Banja |
| 10. Koceljeva | 21. Obrenovac | 32. Vrsac |
| 11. Kostolac | 22. Odzaci | 33. Zajecar |

Contributing to Sustainable Development Goals:

