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Mr. William F. Marshall
425 Third St., SW, Suite 800
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Dear Mr. Marshall:

I refer to our letter dated October 10, 2017, under the Freedom of Information Act (the "FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552. The processing of documents potentially responsive to your request remains ongoing and has located ten additional documents. After reviewing these documents, we have determined that six may be released in full and four may be released in part.

An enclosure explains the FOIA exemptions and other grounds for withholding material. Where we have made excisions, the applicable FOIA exemptions are marked on each document. All released material is enclosed.

If you have any questions, you may contact Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel Schaefer, at (202) 252-2531 or Daniel.Schaefer@usdoj.gov. Please be sure to refer to the case number, F-2017-09463, and the civil action number, 17-cv-01012, in all correspondence about this case.

Sincerely,

Susan C. Weimer for

Eric F. Stein, Director
Office of Information Programs and Services

Enclosures: As stated.

FOIA Exemptions

(b)(1) Information specifically authorized by an executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy. Executive Order 13526 includes the following classification categories:

- 1.4(a) Military plans, systems, or operations
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- 1.4(c) Intelligence activities, sources or methods, or cryptology
- 1.4(d) Foreign relations or foreign activities of the US, including confidential sources
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- 1.4(f) U.S. Government programs for safeguarding nuclear materials or facilities
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- 1.4(h) Weapons of mass destruction

(b)(2) Related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency

(b)(3) Specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than 5 USC 552), for example:

ARMSEXP	Arms Export Control Act, 50a USC 2411(c)
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EXPORT CONTROL	Export Administration Act of 1979, 50 USC App. Sec. 2411(c)
FS ACT	Foreign Service Act of 1980, 22 USC 4004
INA	Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC 1202(f), Sec. 222(f)
IRAN	Iran Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 99-99, Sec. 505

(b)(4) Trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information

(b)(5) Interagency or intra-agency communications forming part of the deliberative process, attorney-client privilege, or attorney work product

(b)(6) Personal privacy information

(b)(7) Law enforcement information whose disclosure would:

- (A) interfere with enforcement proceedings
- (B) deprive a person of a fair trial
- (C) constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy
- (D) disclose confidential sources
- (E) disclose investigation techniques
- (F) endanger life or physical safety of an individual

(b)(8) Prepared by or for a government agency regulating or supervising financial institutions

(b)(9) Geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells

Other Grounds for Withholding

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Cc: Pistoli, Angelina
Subject: Invitation to the Grant Proposal Technical Review Meeting for Donors - Friday, February 26, 2016 at 14:00

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Hello Everyone,

We would like to convene the Donors' Grant Reviewing meeting of the Democracy Commission Small Grants Program. We have received applications from many NGOs during the first round of this program, and would like to invite you in a discussion on these proposals. Your valuable input and comments will be used by the U.S. Embassy's Democracy Commission, which has the ultimate authority in awarding the grants.

We hope you will be able to participate in this meeting, which will take place at the U.S. Embassy on Friday, February 26, 2016 at 14:00. Please find attached a list of the grant proposals with summarized descriptions, grant program's requirements and guidelines, and the call for proposals.

We look forward to hearing from you

Thanks and regards

Ilva



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Hello Everyone,

We would like to convene the Donors' Grant Reviewing meeting of the Democracy Commission Small Grants Program. We have received applications from many NGOs during the third round of this program, focusing on anticorruption, and would like to invite you in a discussion on these proposals. Your valuable input and comments will be used by the U.S. Embassy's Democracy Commission, which has the ultimate authority in awarding the grants.

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First round of the Democracy Commission Program for FY 2016
Embassy of the United States of America, Tirana

NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION	NAME OF THE PROJECT	BUDGET REQUESTED	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	Country address
1. Albanian-American Trade & Development Association of Albania (AATDA-AL)	"The Establishment of Civil Forums in the Municipalities of Rreze and Vloze for the Recovery of Democracy in These Municipalities"	\$ 11,850	Through this project, the project will establish four civil forums in the municipalities of Rreze and Vloze. These forums will provide an active participation of the citizens and the various groups of interests in the process of decision-making and accountability of the decisions of the local government in the municipalities. Through the assistance and training that AATDA-AL will provide, we believe that the Forums will increase the civic initiatives and with adequate capacity to protect the interests and aspirations of the citizens of Rreze and Vloze. These two municipalities have the potential for rapid development. Rreze is in the area where it will be built the Durrës bypass. Vloze and its environment will have big impact for the rapid development of whole the area. Vloze is a county where you can find the main transport routes in Albania, also will be rapid development in this direction. With the support of the project, the project will establish four civil forums in the municipalities of Rreze and Vloze. These forums will provide an active participation of the citizens and the various groups of interests in the process of decision-making and accountability of the decisions of the local government in the municipalities. Through the assistance and training that AATDA-AL will provide, we believe that the Forums will increase the civic initiatives and with adequate capacity to protect the interests and aspirations of the citizens of Rreze and Vloze.	
2. Another Union	Early Police to response	\$19,717	Identifying the problems of education of Roma children in the form of the school's teachers parents and youth through presentation of possible case studies and practices and making recommendations in order to respond the situation and to promote education in higher levels of education for children from the Roma community. The project will establish four civil forums in the municipalities of Rreze and Vloze. These forums will provide an active participation of the citizens and the various groups of interests in the process of decision-making and accountability of the decisions of the local government in the municipalities. Through the assistance and training that AATDA-AL will provide, we believe that the Forums will increase the civic initiatives and with adequate capacity to protect the interests and aspirations of the citizens of Rreze and Vloze.	
3. Albanian Social Economic & Tribal Tech - ASSET & Roma Association "Romance Culture"	Project regarding the education - one of the focus areas for the Roma community	\$19,717	Identifying the problems of education of Roma children in the form of the school's teachers parents and youth through presentation of possible case studies and practices and making recommendations in order to respond the situation and to promote education in higher levels of education for children from the Roma community. The project will establish four civil forums in the municipalities of Rreze and Vloze. These forums will provide an active participation of the citizens and the various groups of interests in the process of decision-making and accountability of the decisions of the local government in the municipalities. Through the assistance and training that AATDA-AL will provide, we believe that the Forums will increase the civic initiatives and with adequate capacity to protect the interests and aspirations of the citizens of Rreze and Vloze.	
4. Northatlantic Association ORANGE-II COPLANT ALABAMA	Agro-environmental awareness of indigenous species in the open air cinema with the CEROC	\$14,000	Overview OF ORANGE II CEROC when located in ALABAMA. Project will create a banner TYPED ON BOPALANTANA AND AMERICAN FLAG PROJECT TITLE. Agro-environmental awareness of indigenous species and populations COUNTRY WITH A NEW PROJECTOR will be used in the cinema APPROPRIATE PERMANENT URBAN AND RURAL AREAS ARE ATTACHED FOR AS SUPPORTS BY THE ALLEGES ABOUT ASSEN check lighting and displayed works will become ASSOCIATED ADDED lamps with white panels SYMBOLIC GALLERY 15 Days used for building and cinema.	
5. Center for Good Governance		\$19,717		
6. Center for Legal Civic Initiative	Increasing the success of the actions of domestic violence in the justice system for a better enforcement of court decisions	\$24,000	This project proposal aims to address the problem of low success in the justice system. It will contribute through a better enforcement of court decisions on ensuring respect protection orders and protection orders in behalf of children's and women rights. Monitoring of the practice, engaging students of Law Faculty in the activity of this project proposal, organizing a SEMINAR, the expectation of social factors with responsible stakeholders in decision and advocacy will serve to the aim. It also is ensure an effective protection of children and women from domestic violence through enforcement of court decisions. The project also aims to improve the collaboration between stakeholders that work on domestic violence cases, a better coordination of these efforts a better enforcement of court decisions and as a final result a contribution in increasing the success of success in the justice system.	

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23	Plan Embassy of LGBT Pro Atlanta	Adopting reproductive biology in Atlanta schools	118,728	Reproductive biology is one of the most pressing and challenging issues for young LGBT people in Atlanta during their decades of rising sexual and social consciousness and acceptance. Despite the current progress made in Atlanta schools, with regards to adding instruction on human rights, consent, technical and biological functions, understanding of the school curricula, and many more relevant reproductive biology has been a non-existing issue for the Atlanta educational system. Part of our program are lectures and presentations at public and private universities in Atlanta and other Atlanta cities where the LGBT cases will be presented for the first time and to young people. These years of work aimed to us not only to lobby and advocate for the LGBT cause but also to make a media of awareness, action among other things to discrimination and bullying.	
24	Alabama Institute of Science (AIS)	Public Health Sector Procurement 2018	522,725	This project Public Health Sector Procurement will include the creation, promotion and use of a risk-conscious delivery which serves as an instrument that for transparency, information, citizens' monitoring and procurement processes of the Public Health Sector by 2018. The objective that consists with structured data updated in real time and data for ensuring more timely information it will serve as an instrument for information. Fact-based narratives and two-hour public debate is the first purpose of the creation of the web-based database. It will provide education information about every public procurement process in the health sector, and every public health policy-making and service provision, including the health in health insurance as an instrument responsible for the citizen public insurance scheme. Procurement processes of all levels and values shall be accessible by the public in real time and in compliance with the open data standard known as the open contracting data standard.	
25	Royal Atlanta Foundation (RAF)	Preserving the participatory of communities for a good governance in Municipality of Perote a City by using participatory and already rights based approaches	329,729	Key words: web-structured data, tools, transparency, interaction, incorporation citizens control, public participation, justice, youth voices, political participation, citizen control, open contracting, transparency, corruption and increasing the transparency levels of the Municipality of Perote and Mexico. The project objectives will be realized by expanding the scope of the different involved community stakeholders groups: Women, Youthful and Civil Society organizations with members of Municipality civil and Council and private sector. Several meetings in each of the Municipality neighborhoods, which are going to be realized by representatives of the youth in these regions. In order to involve most of the Civil Society members a Campaign (Phone) and Radio-based Campaigns members several meeting will be organized by RAF and it will be presented and developed in each Municipality Council Meetings. Furthermore new technological methods of communication, like digitalized systems in order of them and the selection of a transparency for each of the Municipality, will allow the communities about all the planned and performed activities of the Municipality and get the updates, perceptions and feedback from the Communities, respectively. The project outcomes results will ensure the proper selection for a secure democracy of the project success, because the project activities are really participatory, by holding the interaction ideas which will continue to be active and push about the success of the project and the Welfare of Municipal	
26	Shelter for Abused Women and Girls - Tlaxcala	Training against domestic violence	375,826	This project will employ three main components: a) capacity building, b) awareness raising strategy on domestic violence issues and c) social integration for domestic violence victims. The project aims to empower community representatives (youth women and groups of adults) to identify, address and advocate for protection of women's rights. They will cooperate with municipal professionals and SACM to cultural and religious support for women victims of domestic violence and their children.	
27	Shogun Movement	Power/Culture - Participatory Democracy and Civil Governance	377,829	Local CBOs and citizens in Atlanta are continuing to build and increase in participatory democracy and good governance. Through a series of trainings, seminars, consultative debates and awareness campaigns, the project aims to increase citizen's awareness and abilities on participatory democracy and good governance. The formal offices of Democracies will acquire water/potability/energy local urban issues. Initial campaigns to promote the participation of all citizens in the decision making processes. Important part of the project is to create the Democracies platform, a digital platform that enables citizens within the country and abroad to be informed and to interact in a constructive way with the legislative activity of the Democracies and say YES. The Democracies active platform will allow in the Democracies - coordination of any kind for as of to physical presence and non-physical presence of the participatory process, both in rural and urban areas. - monthly reports on participation and voting of every 107 across the same legislation on the most important issues. - public spaces to freely debate on the topics subject of legislative discussion/decision.	
28	Social Center for the Rights and Integration of Individuals and Groups in the Street	Community Center in administrative units of Rome Municipality as decision structures for administration of local government	377,829	This proposal addresses strengthening of mechanisms for citizen participation and representation as a means to improve local governance functions and coordinate democracy through the establishment and implementation of Community Center. Civil Center as community-based structures, will be implemented by the most active citizens of the respective communities in urban and rural areas of the Municipality of Rome. The Center will include activities that will help citizens understand the importance of their role in their communities by understanding the importance of development taking part actively in the processes of creating and implementing local development plans and by bringing models of innovative urban action. Through the implementation of self-help systems in the community.	
29	Social Shredding Alternative Programme - PASS	Heart of the Community - Project for Public Spaces "I take a place to create a community, and a community to create a place"	118,728	This aim to improve neighborhoods through plan making, introducing 5 public spaces in the heart of 5 communities, strengthening the connection between people. When a community takes the time to get to know itself, it gains a sense of identity and purpose that allows residents and planning. As it takes along establishment and participation between local businesses, institutions, and residents, we can help them to have the necessary experience to create it.	
30	STREMA Cases	Advocating for Social Service Delivery by Civil Society Organizations in Atlanta	323,727	Atlanta is a rapidly growing city and is facing many challenges as it grows. One of the most pressing issues is the lack of social services for the most vulnerable populations. STREMA Cases is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to advocating for social service delivery by civil society organizations in Atlanta. The organization has been successful in securing funding from the city and other sources to support its work. The project aims to continue this work by advocating for social service delivery by civil society organizations in Atlanta. The project will focus on the following areas: 1) Advocating for social service delivery by civil society organizations in Atlanta. 2) Providing technical assistance to civil society organizations in Atlanta. 3) Conducting research and advocacy on social service delivery in Atlanta. 4) Building capacity of civil society organizations in Atlanta. 5) Promoting the role of civil society organizations in Atlanta.	
31	TESS- center of services and psychosocial treatment	Empowering Children with Autism and other Developmental Disorders in Primary Education	517,445	This project aims to improve the lives of children with autism and other developmental disorders by providing them with the necessary support and resources. The project will focus on the following areas: 1) Providing technical assistance to teachers and parents of children with autism and other developmental disorders. 2) Conducting research and advocacy on the needs of children with autism and other developmental disorders. 3) Building capacity of teachers and parents of children with autism and other developmental disorders. 4) Promoting the role of teachers and parents of children with autism and other developmental disorders. 5) Providing social and emotional support to children with autism and other developmental disorders. 6) Providing access to quality education and care for all children, regardless of their early years, and last but not least, providing of participation when it comes to the category of children who are in a high-risk category to experience human rights of children with autism and other developmental disorders. Prior education is one of the goals of this project that will be used to ensure project sustainability. Prior education is one of the goals of this project that will be used to ensure project sustainability.	

32	United to African Women Association (UAW)	Empower the women of Egypt to be a "doer" and "maker" to benefit from the established social services for a better life	\$25,000	Enabling the expansion of women's local organizations and the empowerment of the women of Egypt to be a "doer" and "maker" to benefit from the established social services for a better life	
33	Where Youth Center	Community Based Research (CBS) in the Municipality of Wera	\$15,000	Algeria has a comprehensive legal basis in support of civil engagement that has been specifically designed for the development of the national and local level. Regardless of this, it is observed a low level of inclusion of citizens in decision-making processes along with the lack of role by the local authorities to identify and address citizens' needs and policies. In addition to this, Algeria's Administrative Structure Reform has resulted in significant challenges and opportunities for local government with (L2016). Besides the need to change the overall structure and organization of their roles and responsibilities, it has also triggered the need to reform the institutions and mechanisms of ensuring local democracy and good governance. Community Based Research (CBS), also known as "the voice of the community", is one of those mechanisms that provides public accountability and responsiveness of local decision-making processes. The "Community Based Research (CBS) in the Municipality of Wera" project presented by Where Youth Center aims to increase public participation and public demand on local authorities for taking their programs based on citizens' needs and interests. The implementation of CBS will enable Wera citizens to express their concerns of the quality, relevance and efficiency of public services and propose changes in the municipal affairs and local decision-making. The project will engage communication and dialogue between the community and local authorities for addressing their concerns in the real world through their actions.	
34	Women's Economic Integration	Let's play together against corruption	\$21,000	Our project will include in our intervention component the youngest generation of our country citizens of the age of 14-18, in order to educate them on transparency and corruption through a society with pure moral values. We will organize a national campaign and program that will be implemented and we will search ways for education of complete citizens in the future.	
35	Women in Sustainable Agriculture	Gender Mainstreaming of Micro-credit and Government Subsidies Schemes to Women in the Region of Almaty	\$14,000	Agribusiness is a rural sector and is the major contributor of income to the rural families. According to UNCTAD, employment rate in agriculture is higher in the rural areas than for urban, comprising 55% of total labor force in agriculture whereas the number of females working in rural is lower. Government support schemes are present in agriculture but they are not well implemented and it is an important strategy to improve the quality of services and to improve the living standards of the rural population. The project will engage communication and dialogue between the community and local authorities for addressing their concerns in the real world through their actions. But the question is: How we can establish a new way to their empowerment or education? A gender sensitive survey on micro-credit and government support programs, will tell us more about this.	
36	Women's Democracy Network Almaty	Empowering Women's Participation in Public Life through Women's Leadership Schools	\$14,000	Through the project, the Women's Democracy Network (WDM) Almaty will increase the capacity of women to participate in the democratic political development and governance in Almaty. WDM Almaty will conduct Women's Leadership Schools (WLS) in Almaty which will offer practical approaches to improve women's political participation, building effective leadership skills and developing areas of public services.	
37	Youth Art Center	Women Empowerment through Job Creation Skills	\$17,700	At developing countries, traditional or not labor force research and development, the labor force is characterized by low knowledge in doing business by individuals with education and skills, such as for creative thinking and problem solving. The most critical areas are the professional high school students, especially girls. This type of students usually don't apply for university, they are more interested in studies, as they need more practical information to face the challenges of reality in the work market. With the right inputs they can develop their skills and can be successful in their future careers. Women empowerment through job creation skills is designed with professional high schools of Almaty as an educational training on the skills topics. The course covering how to write a curriculum vitae, how to succeed in a job interview, how to write a cover letter etc., and apply them with confidence and belief that any girl can be successful and that all girls are passionate, creative, and smart and can be leaders at their communities. There will be national 5 professional high schools of Tashkent and Dushanbe with 25 girls per school, in a six month project, to improve their through workshops, presentations and training, local online forums, group videos, empowerment and awareness campaigns as well as constructive advice. There will be devoted leads to each school in order to the project subject matter that can be used later by other students as an educational opportunity created for these perceptions. They will come as a guide to the upcoming year students that can help them to be successful in their future careers.	
38	Algeria Center for Population And Development	Reaching Rural And Egyptian Communities To Make Them Abolish	\$25,000	This project will increase their knowledge on how to address the priority issues in the local government. This project will cover three districts: Algiers and 500 km² from which are the most important of the vulnerable families of Algeria and Egyptian communities and in Wera made the city and in Morocco where are identified a lot of Roma and Egyptian families in need.	
39	Algeria Center for Heritage, Environment and Tourism	Enhancement for Tourism and Heritage	\$24,000	The project proposed idea for citizens, local government, and society and target groups commitment in order to work in an enhanced environment, in the context of tourism and cultural heritage, in both cities of Algiers and Saida.	
40	Algeria Education Foundation	Together to our city	\$20,000	This project is designed to give a contribution in the local democracy-building process in Algeria. Firstly, it aims at raising awareness of the community on the rights and responsibilities they as have towards local authorities and secondly to build capacities for the community to express their needs at the decision-making bodies. All this is to be done under the supervision of AEF through the youth councils that will represent different parts of the community.	

			Through the implementation of the project-practical class at enhancement of the democracy in local governing and increasing the citizens' benefits through higher involvement of internal groups and society and local authorities in public life and through the strengthening of cooperation and accountability between citizens and local governing institutions. The activities of this project will be realized in the region of Fes which is the second region city. These activities regarding the population will be organized in 4 municipalities (Fes, Luchidi, Chajal, Mchabbi, Boudine) the PCMs, two of them, Fes and Luchidi are big municipalities and others are smaller, with lower economic and institutional development level. Based on a vision municipality is a new level. ANP plans to realize some activities, in cooperation with NGOs, and society activities and initiatives to achieve the goals of the project. First, will be educational activity at civil society using in these municipalities with local NGOs, providing activities to achieve their interest in the community, activities and education, who will be trained with knowledge about the functioning of local authorities and will be made with new capacities in the field of advocacy and monitoring. Further, the project aims to build the national organization and activities to structure their weaknesses in relation with local authorities understanding the cooperation through agreements with respective heads of the municipalities and monitor the involvement of the citizens will also mean the strengthening of the local authorities activity.	
41	Albanian National Center for	Enhancement of the democracy in local governing through increasing of the citizens' involvement and participation in local public life	\$21,000	In cooperation with local services, ANP will work in several and different the needs of the communities and
42	Albanian Institute of Western Balkans "World's Institute"	To enhance regional economic relations in Luchidi	\$71,300	Implementation project organization will be Albanian Institute of Western Balkans - World's Institute, which will launch a project implementation team which will be composed of Albanian local representatives (municipal council, young people, women, public sectors, journalists, students and others).
43	Albanian Policy Center	Democracy Youth Forum	\$21,000	Democracy Youth Forum is a young people's event and will be organized in Albania monitoring by bringing together youth, politicians and opinion-leaders, through open houses in order to foster the trust and address the perceptions of the Albanian politics by discussing issues and achieving models of anti-corruption and good governance which will help the country towards the European integration process and opening of accession talks with EU. The topics that will be discussed during the forum will be focused on Good Governance, Integrity and The Right to a Fair Trial. The forum will be organized in the Albanian public space. The project aims at reducing the perceptions of the Albanian society and under the young generation more involved in Albanian politics and general public action by trying to build a process of reciprocal decision where politicians of all political spectrum in the Albanian Parliament, as well as notable academics and public opinion writers could discuss and address important topics of the Albanian politics and the daily life such as the right to a fair trial, corruption and good governance. Even though there is a general distrust created between political parties and authorities, in general and the general public, the project aims to create a dialogue between both sides.
44	Albanian Society for Protection of Earth & Resources (ASPER)	Promoting the environmental awareness and dialogue in environmental sensitive areas in Albania	\$11,000	The proposed project focuses on three environmentally sensitive areas in Albania. It aims to promote awareness among local exposed community and strengthen the dialogue and involvement of the community and authorities in environmental protection.
45	Anytime	Empowered Citizens	\$11,100	Active citizens in Albania are the backbone of the country. "ANYTIME" aims to build local citizens with the citizens in charge of Property Tax. It is one of the Local Budgets' mandatory municipalities. As a result, it has historical that some of the municipalities have the problem in collection of Property Tax, because of the lack of proper communication with the payers. Working in other than two aspects, "ANYTIME" aims to build the idea to address both, the transparency issue and Property Tax Collection. As a result, "ANYTIME" aims to organize Thematic Municipal Open Days, where citizens will have a chance to visit the facilities of their local governments and see how the operations function. The Thematic day will address the issue of Property Tax. Municipal leadership will have an opportunity to elaborate on the importance of its payment, but also present potential small infrastructure projects which could be funded by Property Tax money and are able for communities. The activity will be implemented in the Municipality of Lushnje. "ANYTIME" will implement the activity jointly with its partners, local civil society organizations, which will be built in order to ensure citizens' active participation. Albania's Youth Unit - Albania's youth support for Model NATO, a youth initiative created upon the internationally successful Model United Nations (MUN) program. MUN, a program initiated in the United States, educates youth worldwide in diplomacy, international relations, political analysis, negotiation, conflict resolution, leadership and teamwork group work through simulating events as UN delegates who must jointly solve actual and simulated issues through discussion, conflict resolution. Model NATO will apply the same format and format the youth will learn to solve. The new NATO policy, currently not only participating with non-military countries but also NATO's cooperation with other international actors and organizations. The complexity of today's peace-keeping and construction operations and the sophisticated nature of 21st century security challenges and the comprehensive approach that effectively combines political, military and military instruments. These issues related to NATO topics will be in focus of Model NATO for this year, and not only, but also the United States, the European Union, Russia, NATO and the collective defense. It is a unique idea to have for the first time a national Model NATO conference in Albania, which will provide the country's military, political and civil society organizations an opportunity to address the challenges.
46	Balkan Youth Unit - Albania (BYU-A)	Model NATO 2016	\$21,700	
47	Center for Development and Democratization of Institutions (CDI)	Monitoring and Strategic Dialogue on Freedom of Information (FOI) Trends	\$21,000	Project which CDI is monitoring "Monitoring and Strategic Dialogue on Freedom of Information (FOI) Trends" aims to focus transparency of central public institutions in Albania through the law on Freedom of Information. Implementation of the project will have two phases: on Monitoring with pages of all central public institutions, collecting FOI requests for information in Albanian central public institutions, 5 cases will be submitted to Administrative Court and at the end CDI will make a report table with all calculations in changes and find the ways forward to improve the situation.
48	Center for Evaluation, Management and Training (CEMT)	Strengthening the local management leadership in the newly established of districts in the framework of the Territorial Administrative reform in Local Government in Albania	\$21,000	The aim of this project is to support the newly established municipalities and to help them and officials to develop and perform an adequate management strategy of their public authorities responsibilities throughout their territory. Project goal: Improve the local capacity management functioning based on the new respective legislation and procedures through the establishment of a single digital platform. Specific objectives: 1. Developing state of the art of the newly established municipalities and help them to develop an improved local management process based on relevant new legislation and systems designed for the purpose. 2. Increasing transparency and public participation which are required for local management. 3. Establishing a new management of the newly established municipalities responsible for the local management. 4. Having an improved digital hierarchy of all events which will allow the municipality to quickly react to requests of citizens and public sector by the community, and which of these requests are needed to provide quality services to their citizens.

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54	Participation Together Atlanta	Youth Engagement in Democracy and Society Through Participatory Youth Online Media Platform The Power Of My Vote	118,850	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	
55	IGIS Atlanta	Monitoring the Access System Call Society to a better society	179,471	We will engage in planning, developing and publishing each case of violation of law by the state in order to ensure that the state is held accountable for its actions. We will also engage in planning, developing and publishing each case of violation of law by the state in order to ensure that the state is held accountable for its actions. The fundamental element for the actions of the public that is the government that also serves as a democratic way, its expected form of society and then the state structure. The conclusion is that monitoring the state is the main element for the judicial system. It is a good way to ensure we have society.	
56	Initiative of Migration, Development and Integration (MDI)	Public participation in local decision making: increasing transparency of local budgets and reduce corruption in Ghana and Sierra Leone	118,779	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	
57	Worldwide Atlanta (Atlanta Chapter)	Change access to human rights of those communities within the participatory system in Atlanta	179,471	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	
58	International of Social Rights Organization	Advocacy and monitoring of PPP - a platform on the law on contractors and public-private partnership	118,850	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	
59	Western Atlanta Section CSDF	We encourage the national Atlanta diversity	118,850	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	
60	Optimal Center	Improving the democracy through paying taxes	179,471	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	
61	Protection and Preservation of Natural Environment in Atlanta	Members of the Global Environment Let's protect together what we belong to	118,850	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	
62	Protection and Social & Environmental Development Association (PSEDA - ILIRIA)	Protect the Earth's Natural Resources Development in Their Protected Area Atlanta	118,850	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	
63	International Development Agency (IDA) (USAID)	IDA is independent	179,471	Our target is to provide a platform for youth to use safely to express their views on national and international issues that will not only encourage, shape, and inform public policy, but also serve as a platform for youth to be heard and respected by youth. The platform will seek to engage the voices and experiences of youth. This new voice will engage youth in Atlanta's society in general, and in governance in particular. Engagement with the policy by youth is fundamental to a vibrant and free society. In order to set up this platform, the team will develop content and plan different forms of discourse by conducting a series of workshops, roundtable discussions, strategy sessions involving the youth from secondary school and university in Ghana and other towns in Africa. We will use internet social media to work in increasing their awareness of the situation and give them resources to practice lobbying to develop the skills and interest in active involvement in the decision making processes related to their interests. The experience and results of the process will be used to develop the initial content for a web-based platform that will be used to engage youth in the future. The platform will be used to engage youth in the future.	

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78	AIJEC in Albania	Child Cities	120,000	"Child Cities" is an initiative of AIJEC in Albania that aims to tackle some of the most acute issues in terms of social welfare. The package (made by youth to the youth) will target specific subgroups, depending on each type. In order for us to have a sustainable change and for us to move out of the intermediary, strategic-level social capital gap, in the very near future, it is important to have an implementation level. The aim is to have sustainable change among young adults concerning some of the most acute issues of Albanian society: the human rights, women empowerment, environment education, Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), corruption etc.	
79	Albanian Youth School	Young generation education - to the point of entrepreneurship and complex strategy	118,492	The vision and the primary goal of the project is the development of young people in society to active citizens, to build an educational strategy that supports youth, encouraging creating economically liberalized youth which will have the skills and knowledge. To encourage young people, especially the most disadvantaged (Roma and Egyptians) and the disabled to participate in public life and to promote their sense of initiative, entrepreneurial spirit and creativity. Empowerment of youth in the context of civil development.	
80	Albanian Foundation for "Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation of Disputes"	Monitoring for Violence Against Women and Rural Peace	121,313	Through the implementation of this project, monitoring and facilitation will be provided to professionals coming from two categories: 1) Rural community and 2) juvenile professionals coming from development banks or private sector. This project will create a model to support these targeted groups to report the legal violations and court decisions on community monitoring. It will provide facilitation of conflict, social facilitation, and support from social facilitation and strategy in support of.	
81	Albanian Information Communication Technology Association (AITA)	Women in Technology	121,388	Information Technology is transforming and revolutionizing every industry sector and by not capitalizing on the most talented resources that a nation has, we are losing many of the economic, political and social gains we have made over decades. If we want our youth to be the technology sector in a career option we want to create small changes in our approaches, like doing. Rather than searching for one single key solution in bringing more women into technology, we need to look for many, many small actions.	
82	Albanian Institute for International Studies (AIS)	Democracy and politics in Albania: meeting the economic representation	121,392	2014 is a pre-election year in Albania when all the developments that happen shape the climate and conditions under which the campaign starts and ultimately elections themselves take place. Several major issues are on the table this year that need to be reflected in the preparation phase for the elections including the influence of the de-institutionalization in the electoral code changes, making sure that justice follows the institution in striking that law and most importantly providing citizens with a way to make their voices heard in this stage. Two major things need to be facilitated by civil society in the phase: 1. first providing a transparent and inclusive platform of information and monitoring in the electoral preparation and 2. Providing a list of free citizens and expectations so that they are heard like carry on and then include the electoral platform.	
83	Albanian Institute for Reintegration of Ex-Combatants	Youth against corruption as the leaders of tomorrow	117,720	The organization AISB proposes to support the activities related to civic education and exposing teenagers amongst youth on corruption and to bring them up to the society while intending to inform as many youth as possible and to be the key role to provide the citizens in the society to large the project will establish the most corruption groups in each high schools of school in the national districts. These groups will act as the catalyst to keep up with the civic education activities related to corruption and it is a model.	
84	Albanian Society for Protection of Birds & Mammals (ASPM)	Providing the environmental awareness and dialogue in environmental protection areas in Albania	117,720	The proposed project focuses on three governmentally sensitive areas in Albania: 1. access to provide awareness among local regional community and strengthen the dialogue and involvement of the community and authorities in environmental protection.	
85	Albanian Society for Development	Other any area	96,125	"Peace my friend" is a campaign that wants to bring in from school level. Thousands of people are right now realizing in their houses, trying to help the most vulnerable in life. This means that they want to be more from. There are only very few articles about this, very little we hear about someone taking because of their kind and it means just overall, outside the every body we become very kind in the world. It's a big job as a civil servant, we all know that there is a lot of work as we accept it and try to bring about it. It's accepting it and all are contributing in this cause. I want to hear from them, I want young people of our cities to hear it and what they want to do to give us and to it. The project aims in taking that lead as much as we can to reach about parents but mostly to their school children.	
86	ALP (Center for Regional and Economic Development)	Addressing ecological damage from fires in Liria	113,820	The project wants to address the problems related with Lack of community awareness, which is the factor with the greatest impact on flooding was responsible behavior of residents, youth, authorities, local government organizations, law enforcement, and all of this is not just a matter of their level regarding flooding. After these are very common that influenced in the problem such as, Lack of cooperation among governmental structures (national government and local government), Confused change (misinformation of youth, their authorities from lack of support. Lack of cooperation and planning for managing the flooding disaster following and after the disaster. There is a lack of critical the responsibilities as how to train and implement in whole process of flood disaster TDM (Post-Disaster Disaster Management) in Liria is not really the responsibility.	
87	American Enterprise School of Albania (AESLA)	Monitoring of implementation of quality standards in private and public universities in Albania	121,110	In continuation of its efforts to provide integrity, professionalism and excellence in Albanian higher education, the American Enterprise School of Albania proposes to carry out an eight months long investigation on the implementation of the standards set by the Albanian government since September 2014 on the quality of Albanian public and private universities. What happened in these universities, which have been closed or suspended because they didn't meet the legal requirements set by the Ministry of Education? How many of them have reopened and what happened in their students? Which conditions monitor and control the implementation of educational standards? Is the information on the requirements and standards, which ought to be followed by universities public and transparent and does the Ministry of Education or other institutions provide any specific data on these centers? All these questions will be subject of research and investigation by this project through a series of interviews, focus groupings activities, roundtables and a policy paper setting the most relevant aspects on the standards applied in the tertiary education in Albania.	
88	ARC Albania (Art Culture Institute)	Youth who are helping the community: Addressing democracy and governance and transparency in Bore	121,370	Youth work on helping the community. Addressing democracy, good governance and transparency in Bore - is a project designed to assist the sectors of youth and local youth in Bore in the municipality including social project) to enter to have more own involvement, more accountability and more active participation in decision-making relevant for the community and for the future of the young generation. Using existing media channels such as an online radio and a print newspaper this project keeps a continuous to influence the community for the best through encouraging a collaboration between young people, parents' experts and authorities (political and local) as well as through encouraging the citizens to be more active in democracy.	
89	Association for Communities Integration and Development	South end	121,150	"South end" is a new initiative in Albania that will provide specialized activities across and the infrastructure to improve youth in expanding themselves through independent media producers with a special focus on investigative journalism. The work will be made available in a national online web platform, and then distributed to other social and commercial media. This opportunity will involve high school and university students to express their opinions and concerns, to give voice and public include awareness on controversial issues, investigate and reveal community issues that generally are left a side from conventional media. The project aims at a few other youth public issues are gradually being solved. The project focuses into democracy through the presentation in education of these alternative, include in Tynes and how throughout the whole country.	

10	Academy of Journalism for Africa	Democracy, conflict of interest and public procurement reform	122,770	The first proposal "Democracy, conflict of interest and public procurement reform" aims at preparing and publishing 10 investigative stories that document abuses of law as conflict of interest in relation with public tenders. The stories will prove with documents, facts, evidence and records made and other concordance of public records of public officials in the coverage of public procurement contracts. The project that will be implemented by 10 journalists from different regions of the country will highlight national and local actors and will demonstrate a wide documentary of the main findings in the situation of public tenders in Albania. The project will train 20 journalists and relevant citizens of some regions of the country in the application of investigative journalism with public procurement, legislation on conflict of interest of public officials and ethical practices and performance of public contracts. Journalists and citizens will be trained in gathering and interpreting of official documents in this field. The working group will achieve within a year a number of documents and other evidence in some corruption with conflict of interest. The findings of documents, stories and documentary - video will be distributed electronically to all other media, for educational and members of official communities. The group of students will be in charge of the production of all the development of the project in social media.	
11	Centre for Transparency and Free Information (CTFI)	Publication in the web of corruption guide a range of services offered by public administration for citizens	121,880	The approach that is being established in this proposal starts from the citizen's perspective. It will consist in establishing of the public services and of areas of interaction between the government and citizens and then address the relevant information including procedures, contact points as well as additional practices that will be made available. What is being proposed here is an online transparency portal - a kind of 47 public information office that can access anyone from anywhere. It's objective is to connect and to connect with large and smaller businesses about public services. Easily accessible with no cost and no need for assistance it provides an extensive list of services. The main assumption that the proposal is articulated is that Internet is now widely available with minimal cost to everyone. While achieving these steps a truly e-Government search engine, this does not apply universally. However, just as useful Internet could be a site that is accessible by people with limited education, vulnerable groups or even those living in the remote areas that resort to the traditional ways of acquiring. The website will also increase the transparency of public institutions because it will reduce of services together the respective levels. Services and fees will no longer be the "property" of public administration officials but will be open and transparent for everyone.	
12	Albanian Rural Foundation	Building women in the field of entrepreneurship, dialogue and opportunities	121,850	The project aims at increasing awareness and protection of Albanian women in new countries. We will achieve the objectives by developing a 10-month project, creating entrepreneurial women in two pilot countries, selected on the basis of four indicators. In the framework of a survey covering all the cities of Albania two most pilot countries are Rumania and Latvia. The purpose of the project is the exchange of experience and development of entrepreneurship in the field of entrepreneurship establishment of a network in the context of further cooperation between participating women across the completion of the project, as well as increasing the achievement of optimal degree of cooperative relationships between both parties - men and women in the field of entrepreneurship.	
13	English Speaking Union Albania	Culture of Diversity Promoting Law culture a public speaking along through engaging focus in dialogue regarding law reform and through creating reach into a English throughout Albania	61,320	The project has a multi-dimensional purpose: promotion of civic culture and the identification of new forms of communication as a tool for individual and professional development. We aim to achieve the main purpose of Public Speaking competition, which is new historical society and our legacy by including law school students in order to promote extensive debate and reach into English. One of the main objectives of this project is to provide Law school students the opportunity to present and defend their case in front of a wider public and to develop their communication and interpretation skills. We plan to engage students regarding judicial reform which is one of the most important issues in Albania's political agenda. In the end of the project we will have the winner of the interactive debate regarding judicial reform and the winner of the Mock Trials. Every debate will be in English in order to promote the English language which is very important in promoting professional development and integration into western culture and democratic societies. Building of professional English skills leads to development of a democratic society.	
14	European Centre	The protection is the first edition	118,450	The European Centre by this project aims to give a small contribution in terms of the judicial reform, in strengthening the better management of the land ownership in Albania. We aim to establish data and collect the knowledge of the state of the land ownership in Albania. Property Registration Law (PRL) is 12 years in Albania and it is not updated, does not have the content of the Law 100/2013. The implementation of land ownership reform. A better understanding of the law and the system will improve the chances of having better services for the citizens, and reflecting understanding of a judicial system among different sectors. The project that will be divided into two pillars. The first one is the organization of trainings for registering officers of land ownership in each region, and the second is the organization of these trainings in the digital system for public records. The trainings will be achieved by Prof. Dr. Enkela Durruti and Mrs. Diana Babi, who are the authors of the manual on "Land Ownership" and the Registering System in Albania. The Centre focuses on the implementation of such a project a useful and a practical help in the better management of the land ownership in Albania, a country which still have big unresolved property problems.	
15	Foundation "Light of Love" (Mikalep)	Ordering Egyptian minority rights through empowered community based organizations	121,750	Albanian Agency is responding to the call for proposal issued by the American Embassy in Albania for the Democracy Commission Lead Grant Program. The project "Ordering Egyptian minority rights through empowered community based organizations" is a 12-month project and is budgeted for its implementation in 121,750. The project's goal is to strengthen the Egyptian community in Albania to their integration and social inclusion. The project is in line with and contributes to building the capacities of members of the Egyptian community in Albania by respecting the human rights and dignity rights. It also will increase the awareness of public employees of Roma and Roma areas related to the extreme historical practices in the implementation of the Plan of Action "The Decade of Roma Inclusion", because the awareness of the Egyptian community related to the recognition of the social reality and their involvement in the implementation of Plan of Action of "The Decade of Roma Inclusion".	
16	Quresh (Jury) Albania	Volunteer Initiative - Digital Volunteerism Platform	121,170	Volunteers Initiative & Digital Volunteerism Platform (DVP) is the next step towards spreading volunteering all over Albania and creating a connection point between volunteers, civil society organizations, public institutions, business community and international organizations. Volunteers Initiative will start with the creation of "Volunteers Circle (VC)" in border regions of Albania (Digital Volunteerism Platform (DVP) will serve as connection point between volunteers, civil society organizations and community resources (DVP will create a database of all NGOs and volunteers all over Albania. Volunteers Initiative & Digital Volunteerism Platform will contribute to increase society engagement towards volunteering, encouraging newcomers and increasing their active participation in their communities. Another related idea would be the engagement of volunteers in civil emergencies, as part of their direct contribution to their communities' wellbeing. The future perspective is to engage volunteers in different activities to realize their community right.	
17	Hard By Hand	Fight corruption through art and education	121,100	Fight corruption through art and education has been established and designed as a project of "Hard By Hand" in collaboration with Ministry of Education and High Schools in 8 cities in Albania to contribute to the development of a culture of education among school children. A number of activities of study to be performed by students and young people from 10 schools in the country 5 in the elementary and 5 in high schools. Inclusion will be in the form of the study. Corruption is a disease that affects the poor, the rich, people with disabilities, special communities etc., through that those future doctors will cooperate with each other to give a clear message that if you join can break the chains of corruption. Education is an important road to human life and we are about to start. The negative consequences of the phenomenon of corruption in the educational system are reflected in the quality of teaching and learning, which is punishing the students and young people every day when in classes if by the fact that anyone can copy with a diploma by good and dishonest methods that are not used to change this thing one day and should be from young people as agents of change who are valued and contributing to the community where they live.	

78	Help the Life	Our voice count	118,394	Persons with intellectual disabilities in African society encounter grave obstacles in enjoying their status as society due to pervasive social exclusion caused and perpetuated by endogenous legislation and institutional practices. As a result, persons with intellectual disabilities cannot vote or be elected, cannot own, work, manage property, choose their residence, take care for the others, leading to widespread economic marginalization. The project will train the state of people which improves social and the skills of individuals with intellectual disability, encourages them and build their self-confidence and self-esteem in order to support their movement for self-advocacy and self-empowerment. This movement will help them being able to use any new African legal provisions in education, employment, social protection, and being included in the society as members with equal rights.	
79	House of Europe	European Academy preparing the future African citizens of Europe	121,000	Field of education, youth, education, capacity building and civil awareness raising, European integration. Despite high levels of enthusiasm young people in Africa do not know enough about the complex transformation that is necessary about becoming a EU member state and they don't have many opportunities to prepare themselves as the future citizens of Europe engaged citizens with a personal skills in building role of law, participating in democracy and being determined from the African they share in the country and we are there there. Young people in Africa have the potential to be much more engaged and active and active if they are provided with the set of skills and the reasonable amount of knowledge to do so. Therefore House of Europe prepares to carry out a capacity building and dialogue between European Academy located in 100 young people in 5 cities (Tunis, Cairo, Khartoum, Kampala and Harare) using a model that will all youngsters in Africa can benefit in the future.	
100	Media is or Out	Media is or Out	120,000	Media is or Out - The idea is to monitor the real participation of journalists in every day most important political activities. Are these activities really offered easily by political parties or governments? Because we are ready the journalists following up their status in being in the public, their concerns. What is the percentage of the news that refers to the news sector of Africa by itself, what countries or its activities? Transmitted? Are the journalists in this part of the activities when their presence is required? They are not allowed to report what is offered in the end the question is: Is media presence required only to be there in the press conferences where no question is allowed but there are only press releases read by politicians?	
101	Institute for Women and Environment	Legal corruption of public properties in the region of Lucie	112,100	Reducing the possibility of corruption of public properties through education, capacity, transfer, administration with a plan of public property from the local government units in the region of Lucie by increasing transparency, information and accountability, local residents state administration.	
102	Institute of Gender Applied Policies	Contribution to the prevention efforts against radicalization and violent extremism among youth and young women in Republic of Serbia	119,700	The project aims to promote cooperation among youth and young women are susceptible to terrorist recruitment and radicalization. Helping them to gain a better understanding of the context in which recruitment and radicalization occur, the factors that may make youth more vulnerable to recruitment, the various and circumstances where youth are targeted for recruitment, the levels of prevention or intervention needed in the recruitment process and the resources needed to do so, preventing a change of gendered religious and extremist in religious beliefs. The targeted area is chosen for this project with the consensus of the General Directorate of State Police.	
103	IFSD - Institute for the Promotion of Social and Economic Development	Trade to Community Governance	122,000	In order to increase the level of information on the new local government functions and competences for a democratic governance, targeted local community governance principles, the project aims to strengthen the dialogue mechanisms among young people, in particular women, with local authorities in Serbia and Romania municipalities, by establishing local networks that would in access and expand local government functions to have more participative and community empowerment mechanisms.	
104	MONITOR ON	MONITOR ON		The goal of the project is the improvement of living conditions of disadvantaged categories through the introduction and the implementation of innovative practices in social services delivery. The goal will be achieved from the different educational, cultural and social activities by Monitor ON and the partners.	
105	ONAFIL - ASSOCIATION	International Human Rights Film Festival in Algeria - Elmerch Festival 2016	110,000	The International Human Rights Film Festival is the only one of its kind in Algeria. It is held in each the new and large groups of the project. In the scope of large to African films, such as cinema, political, cartoon, games, as well as the organization of public debates, discussions and forums, etc. It is now the 11th Edition of this most important event the year 2016 and it has become a tradition for the Algerian society. The Festival has its two main activities: screening of human rights movies and human rights forums. Besides the main activities, there are several side events happening in the framework of the Festival. The Festival takes place in the presence of the Academy of Film and Multimedia (ANAFIL) that we would like to mention the deployment of some activities in other institutions. So in the previous edition through the Festival cooperation with Educational and Culture Institutions, it was made possible to "bring" the Festival also in the European University, the Paris University and the National State Archive of Chronography. In previous editions we have been able to attract also such as the President of the No 211, others we covered a series and had discussions with the press-release.	
106	Partners for Children	Young People in Movement for Change	122,900	The proposed 10 months project aims to empower young people aged 16-18 years old of four high schools in Beni and Bafra municipalities through a series of civic education activities, training and social media to become to become agents of change through being empowered and confident advocates for the young people in their municipalities. More specifically the project will provide a series of eight training workshops to close to 100 young people from Beni and Bafra municipalities to develop their understanding and increase their awareness and understanding of leadership and governance, democracy, and the right to active participation in local decision making process. The project will use social media and social media to promote wider awareness and information of young people on democracy, gender issues and the rights and participation in local schools and a local government decision-making. By putting into practice what they have learned they will learn about the decision making process and feel more confident to actively participate in these processes they will be able to negotiate and influence decisions, forums and dialogue with community members, local authorities and local government representatives to improve the services for children and youth in their respective local authorities.	
107	Refraction Association	Enhancing Human Rights in Morocco and Jordanian Contexts in Africa (EJDPDCA)	121,000	During the period of last June 2014-May 2015 Refraction Association in collaboration with the Moroccan Civil Liberties Office were conducting one year monitoring work in all prison institutions in Morocco and in Jordan. During this period of time the monitoring system has been kept with a high frequency and the election causes deterioration of living conditions and treatment of prisoners and detainees and members of the Human Rights Committee. Even the situation of Human Rights in prisons, detention and police stations in Morocco has been improved during the years especially in terms of infrastructure, training of staff, but the EC Progress Report to Morocco for 2012 mentioned that "Despite the positive trend in this field, there are still reports that procedures for processing accompanied or arrested persons were not systematically observed".	
108	ICM Liberty Foundation	Building a culture of compliance with the Anti-Discrimination Law in Algeria	121,000	ICM Algeria will extend citizen rights in the labor market. It proposes to promote the knowledge and implementation of the 2010 Anti-Discrimination Law (ADL) through a long-term approach targeting Human Resources Managers and Recruiters as well as Employers and Job-seekers. With provision of resources, local practices and specific materials, the project will increase the knowledge about the ADL and build a movement to compliance with the ADL. With resources, training and awareness information on the ADL, and coordination regarding mechanisms, the project will also build knowledge and capacities amongst labor leaders (employers, professionals & labor leaders) to bring them into change within the workplace. The project will also in ADL Algeria a specific and participative with key stakeholders. This project will increase compliance of the ADL, combat discrimination and inequality and as contribute to a more democratic and inclusive society.	

109	Study and Development Center (SDC)	One session for Sustainable Development and Water management in the Municipality of Potosi	\$18,000	Although the Atlantic Commission is giving high priority to the education of its citizens with elements of Sustainable Development, addressing the issues of sustainable development, environmental protection, and environmental legislation requires the development and implementation of long-term strategic policies at local and national level. The committee and sub-committee "Sustainable Development" requires the development of policy governmental institutions, resources, and capacity and the general public. To enable good working practices and policies and not only the reduction of institutional change, but also the construction of future towards achieving the desired standards in the environmental field.
110	The Association "Cafeteria of the Works"	Employment of Women for Social Enterprise	\$20,000	This project is presented by the association "Cafeteria of the Works" and its goal is to develop a social business which will operate in the field of the handicraft products during the morning and the completion of 16 women is needed. The project will use these women from areas bordering the city. The association "Cafeteria of the Works" is the association, the sole products the social organization of women, the improvement of the economic conditions of the street and urban environment - is in a perfect harmony of ability and success. These components are the the design of a structure which will contribute to the history of Bolivia city, both in the social and the commercial aspect.
111	The Kaseki Foundation	1000 Trees for People: Planting Seeds of Democracy	\$10,000	The project will develop and implement in the state of Georgia, Atlanta by engaging high school and university students in the planting of 1000 trees in a greenfield location overlooking the city. Forestry efforts to implement the state of the trees will be carried out by all 10 high schools and the university and will be coupled with training focusing on concepts of public good, public ownership, democracy, and equity that the citizens can hold the municipal government accountable for the preservation of the natural forest. By establishing the training with the forestry and the planting, the project will have a general education and connection with the environmental public good they helped create - planting a forestland landscape for one generation.
112	The Women's Community Development	The Role of Civil Society in Increasing the Transparency of Governmental Decision Making	\$17,000	Although the legal system for participation in governance in Atlanta has been changed with the citizen's participation is required at every level of planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation process, the participation of citizens in Local Government in Atlanta requires more. Local Government structures have not been able to attract citizens' opinion in decision-making since this is an obligation imposed by law. Moreover, the City must initially apply the existing law and regulations of the City Council. Initiating citizens to Council meetings. The project aims to create the bridge between citizens and city council and encourage citizens to participate in the city's decision-making process. The project will create a network with citizens, have meetings with them and deliver information.
113	Transparency Center for Journalism Excellence	Justice Reform: Legalized for Citizens: Design, Transformation and Impact	\$21,120	The Transparency Center for Journalism Excellence (TCJE) proposes to implement a research project that will help advance the Atlantic general public to know more and understand the existing justice system, with a special focus on its impact. The project aims at offering the Atlantic citizens various education and the new changes that the justice system including new institutions and mechanisms of control. As for cost of justice coverage is after following the political dialogue ABOUT the justice in the work of international organizations in order to advance the justice system. Through this project, TCJE will act as a platform for the public about the justice system and the new changes that the justice system is advancing, how the changes will conceptually improve the justice system accountability and fight against corruption. After experts opinions about justice reform efficiency and independence. The Action will include some educational and research and monitoring with great results.
114	TRANSFORM LEGAL AND SOCIETY (TLAS)	Empowering legal services closer to local level through collaborative network	\$21,000	This project aims to use the energy of the underutilized resources by government to leverage the capacities of TLAS organization in Legal Aid Services bringing legal services closer to the most vulnerable groups in local and remote areas and enable them to have access to governmental programs, a social services that will be achieved by strengthening local networks of professionals capable of delivering Legal Aid services and by strengthening collaboration with local government institutions and authorities to promote the process of identification and meeting legal needs and access for vulnerable communities of both jurisdiction.
115	TCJE Center	Improving Budget Transparency at Local Level through Fiscal Auditing	\$21,000	Prior to the June 21, 2015 Local Elections, a comprehensive Technical and Administrative Reform reshaped the configuration of local government in Atlanta, in geographical and functional terms. The aim of the reform is to improve the government, was intended to improve services for citizens at local level, to improve efficiency and good governance at local level, and to improve local government, citizens and communities. Due to its clear decentralization structure, since of the new configuration that emerged from the local elections have been seen lack of capacities to adapt to the new functions and structure of local government units. In the framework of the desired changes of the Technical and Administrative Reform (TAR) Center proposed to establish the project "Improving Budget Transparency at Local Level through Fiscal Auditing". This project will encourage budgetary transparency and compliance at local level. The project is generalizing this of using among other instruments, social media tools where citizens can add the implementation of local institutions, planned for 2015 budget year through means of social media such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, etc., and other platforms, etc. (Project's aim is to promote transparency and compliance of local budgeting in all of the newly created local municipalities after the June 21, 2015 local elections, through means of social media. The project will include the local level, from the June 21, 2015 local elections, are as follows: Puntarenas, Llanos, and Puntarenas.
116	United Association of Agricultural and Developmental "Aplican"	Reducing pollution of Shikashu River from plastic and encouraging an effective plastic recycling pilot initiative in the upper part of Shikashu watershed	\$10,000	The aim of this project is to reduce the pollution of Shikashu River from plastic waste, and implementing an effective pilot initiative for the recycling of plastic, involving pupils of disorganized schools in the upper part of Shikashu River watershed.
117	"Water" Psycho-Social Center	Increasing the education level of the young people and capacity building of the local educators for the identification, referral and protection of victims of trafficking potential victims of trafficking	\$24,000	The project aims to increase and increase the education level of the young people in high schools and students in the regions of Yare, Pinar, and Guantánamo on the identification, referral and protection of victims of trafficking potential victims of trafficking (POT). Also through the project activities a school the capacity building of the local educators (PEL, Social Social Services, Directors of Public Health Educational institutions) in relation to the identification, referral and protection of VICTIMS with the aim of the effective implementation of the National Referral Mechanism (NRM) and Standard Operating Procedures for the identification and Referral of Victims of Trafficking/Potential Victims of Trafficking.
118	Women's Network Equality in Decision Making	Guided Women to End Violence in Mexico	\$21,000	The aim of this project is to increase women's social network and participation in decision making and their contribution in public policy decisions, through good governance. For this purpose, the project will promote gender balance through of women and girls in decision making and create a relationship between pilot schools in and within in Mexico. Young girls' network will be empowered and encouraged to participate in the development of good governance in Atlanta through good governance and enhanced social activities.

115	YOUTH UNION OF KENYA SOCIETY	And I have the right to count my vote - City participation of my vote by political parties	\$25,175	During the 25 years of liberation in Kenya there have been held about 12 elections for local government and general elections. While it is noted in these elections according to the reports given by international and domestic observers that there was corruption and that of votes by electoral subjects in its other words by the people using various tactics. Another observed phenomenon has been the frequent change of the electoral system, changes that have taken place from the single party system to party based multiparty system. Since the electoral law framework has not provided a secure basis for free and democratic elections reported by CIVIC / ODIHR in the elections of June 2015, I have come to the conclusion that the Electoral Code national eligibility by citizens without political parties using various proposals that reduce the influence of political parties in manipulating the electoral process. Under these circumstances a reform is proposed in the electoral administration where civil servants shall not be present at the poll and not be purchased for 2020/21, which citizens shall not have the opportunity to vote just in exchange for their participation in the administration of elections. The staff of the parties during elections shall be made public and supervised by civil society. The proposed for high changes in the electoral administration by people with no party will affect the majority of political parties that have been present in all elections in Kenya. Through alternative means the people will be made aware of the necessity of change when they will be preparing their own and elected local political parties they will be more responsible by respecting the law correctly.	
120	ALBAFOREST CENTRE	Local Governance Rehabilitation Capacity Building in Environmental and Nature Protection Legislation Administration/Development and Implementation	\$23,813	Project executive summary (para paragraph). The draft project proposal aims to identify the level and support of 15 newly established local government-municipalities in (i) environmental, social, economic and implementation of legislation on environment, nature and natural resources protection, forest protection and management (protected areas, wetlands and forests) natural resource protection and biodiversity, (ii) the operation and efficiency of administration for the protection of forests, protected areas, biodiversity, (iii) cooperation with other state bodies, national government, civil society actors, and (iv) the implementation of local government and civil society actors in nature conservation issues. The measures, biodiversity and natural resources.	
121	Gender Institute for Research and Studies	Modernize and change select systems	\$21,561	Women's empowerment is a phenomenon that is spreading in our society and the whole region. This phenomenon could be perceived by looking not only the reasons for this spread, but also the action that could cause a kind of assistance to fight and prevent it. By affecting young people, culture are more concerned that anyone else in protect their children and change themselves. This project involves the following questions: What is the perception of mothers why their children are not attending school? What should be their role in the protection of school children, during with their family? What are the obstacles they face in play the role? How should they need to be trained to support their children should want?	
122	Center for Civil Communications (CCC)	Model study promoting citizens participation at local level	\$17,200	The project, through a well-organized on local level, will focus on and strengthen local communication to hold together and when they problems towards their local authority. Furthermore, it will help local elected actors and local initiatives to better understand and define priorities and improve services in the framework of the community. The project will be focused mostly on marginalized communities and their communities. Open interaction and action in the social media will bring transparency to a higher level with their language. Local communication, better knowledge, better understanding will bring local governance closer to their community.	
123	Philanthropic Association Regional	Coordination of the efforts in the training of judges and prosecutors in Anti-Corruption	\$21,134	Among many practices foreign organizations and institutions of the US and of various European countries that through their corruption has occurred in some degree even in the judicial sector and therefore, high responsibility for the Institutions and their of Justice (OJSA) has continuously been the help of the people, emphasizing the need for the cooperation with the citizens, in detecting and denouncing cases of corruption.	
124	ART CONTACT	Guidelines - being justice for sustainable cities in Albania	\$21,755	Through using national network and partnership, the project aims at developing and setting a clear strategy which will be a foundation and a tool for enhanced civil societies, empowered civil society organizations and improved dialogue between national authorities and civil society in Albania. Setting and sharing principles and rules for successful implementation of advocacy initiatives, the strategy will further empower the roles of the public and create the government for more effective policy.	
125	Institute of Migration, Development and Integration (IMDI)	Public perception in local election security practices encompassing of local budgets and reduce corruption in Trade and Duties Management	\$18,275	Albania and Kosovo have experienced long against the budget for 2014, after having conducted a series of meetings with different local actors and stakeholders, trying to have as much as possible a participatory budget planning process and effectiveness in October of budget lines. However this is not sufficient taking into consideration the future plans that rely on the effective usage of the money coming from the local people, state budget and from other sources as well. The study states that similar task can be carried out the money coming from external donations of external organizations and institutions. In this context, through the project, the Forum of civil society organizations in both Local Government Units (LGUs) will be established to ensure the awareness of community to be more active in which setting the right priorities and effective implementation of services, projects and development programmes accordingly as well in the budget lines.	
126	The Institute of Psychological Services for the Community	WE ARE THE VOICE OF THE FUTURE	\$1,000	The focus of the center is well-known with the mass and with the professionals of the new generation. Most of them have more than 6 years that with every day with the youth in the field of mental health, education, psycho education, and youth development, social and democratic issues (social problems and issues about human rights).	
127	Millennium Women Network	Effective development actions beyond 2015	\$25,367	Effective management actions beyond 2015 project, which is national, recognizes also project a strategy to develop a technical approach to be used by 5 pilot local governments in a community of changes of administrative financial reform implementation. Some of these changes include organizational structure, composition of authorities, gender equality, understanding and necessary solutions from the perspective of the actor and with regard to planning, budgeting and social protection, it emphasizes the impact and sustainability of such interventions through improved opportunities offered to citizens and most gender equality needs. It anticipates the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).	
128	Albanian Students Liria Forum	LOCAL DEMOCRACY IN OUR MINDS	\$17,847	The project intends to provide citizens effective participation in local government and decision making through the rapid information access supporting its initiative a similar culture. The functioning action, through the story and the authors connect local forms implementation by municipal authorities which then come in local decisions in the Municipal Council will come mostly in our citizenship through a rapid, locally support.	
129	Albanian Institute for Rehabilitation of Budgets	Transparency and corruption in the leaders of terrorism	\$17,772	The organization ANI proposes to support the activities related to the education and increasing awareness amongst youth on corruption and its long term impact in the society while interacting in relation to many youth as justice and in the long run to provide the actors in the society at large. The project will establish the anti corruption groups in each high schools of both in the national districts. These groups will act as the catalyst to bring up with the civil education activities related to corruption and its control.	
130	Leads Regional Development Agency (LERA)	Youth	\$11,345	The project aims to empower youth groups to be able to actively participate in the decision making process and thus contribute to an improved local democracy. A group of youth representatives will be trained and supported to conduct outreach to other youth on their rights and responsibilities. They will address different community issues through their active participation in the local governance processes. Youth will also be empowered to actively engage and address issues through advocacy and lobbying and act as "watchdog" groups. They will monitor and evaluate the process and services provided by the Local Government Units which have the role and mandate to ensure citizens' wellbeing by ensuring quality services.	

131	National Center of Community Services	Together for the sustainable economic development of marginalized women	322,455	According to the OSTAT census only 58.3 % of women of working age are employed, equivalent to 74.9% of men. Women who are employed get lower salaries, furthermore the position of the women in the socio-economic sphere and within the family is weakened by the economic phenomenon. The socio-economic status access to health, health, education and social services are affected by economic. Access to employment is therefore an essential precondition for social inclusion. Therefore, the overall purpose of the project is to economically empower poor and marginalized women through vocational training, employment facilitation, business advice and support to the employed women. Improved, diversified income, access to health and education and women with disabilities will be targeted in the project. This initiative promotes the good practice of social enterprise initiative facilitating social inclusion through economic and social inclusion of marginalized individuals (they have entrepreneurial, education, or vocational support, women with disabilities) by combining market-oriented training and skill development with temporary shelter placement employment with the social objectives of integration of such marginalized individuals. Furthermore, the action proposed covers several cross cutting issues such as gender equality and social opportunities in local economy and labor market for marginalized women as well as respect of the rights of children. Last but not least, one of the goals of the action, which is strengthening the role of women and supporting women and their economic recovery is another valued value of the action as the overall goal of the action which in turn will contribute to healthy families, communities and more inclusive society of long.	
132	North Green Association "N.G.A."	Temper an effective cooperation between the local government and the community of Oltia Region	118,363	A good action supporting the role of African business partners for development economic cooperation and its capacity, as a result of that governance, these business partners can be addressed at the levels of national government, state, as the responsibility of all governments, the private sector, NGOs, the media, religious organizations and most importantly citizens to work together and fight any obstacle that hinder progress. As such, the most effective way to not only strengthen and achieve economic accountability and transparency is by increasing citizen's participation and making them more active in the local government.	
133	Ministeries of Social Rights Organization (MOSR)	Training and implementing the PPP projects for 5 Albanian municipalities in regions emergency reconstruction	329,771	The project proposal aims to help the new Albanian municipalities in ability of the possible projects which will be implemented with Public Private Partnership (PPP). This part will be used to express concepts with the local officials in 5 municipalities representatives of their communities and also stakeholders in identity the PPP projects. Also with the local PPP for each municipality. The territories are the municipality of Gjirokastra, Peshkopi, Durrës, Shkël, Durrës.	
134	Trinity Medical Museum - Pogradec	At-Leskovice City - Meeting with Community Participation Organization for a Clean Development	114,539	The mission of the museum is to conserve the conservation, study development and the so called history, which has to do with research education and adding people among. The mission of the museum is to conserve the historical monuments of the region, its fauna and flora for the present generations and the future ones. This is a social capital which is a kind of a social asset of a society. In order to ensure a series of actions for the present generations and future ones. The mission of the museum is a concept of "democracy" in which decisions, the right access to historical records to the natural scientists from present generations with the need to protect it for the future generations in order to make possible the access to records in the same manner that profits. This is going to make possible for all citizens of using the natural resources to be directed toward conservation and development. The aim of the project is the concrete promotion of democracy in history decisions in local level guaranteeing the achievement of these commitments, the training of all participating actors in the process and also the confidence that the completed priorities by them are going to be part of the budget of local region.	
135	Urban Center (Center for Public Policies)	Increasing citizens' participation in governing the implementation of decisions of the Municipal Council of Shkël	129,772	CPMPO - Shkël is involved in an extensive approach to the socio-political change and legal participation in the decision-making and local governance field. The main goal of the project is to act as a participatory system of monitoring the implementation of decisions of the Municipal Council of Shkël by a joint local experts, which will serve as a model of consultation with local organizations and approval and implementation by the Municipal Council of Shkël.	
136	YOUTH GROUP OF JAMALIA RISTI	Not from the right to elect my vote, my participation of my vote by public parties	120,175	During the 25 years of transition in Albania, there have been held about 13 elections the local government and general elections. What is noticed in these elections according to the accounts given by international and domestic observers had been irregularities and that of votes by electoral subjects or in other words by the single parties using various means. Another observed phenomenon has been the frequent change of the electoral code changes that have often been the major parties attempt to justify their irregularities. Since the existing legal framework have not provided a mechanism for free and democratic elections required by OSCE/ODHR for the elections of June 2015, it has been the time for changes in the Election Code initiated originally by citizens without political parties taking various proposals that reduce the transparency of political parties in conducting the electoral process. Under these circumstances, a reform is proposed for the election administration where all systems shall not be processed where the year shall not be processed for 2020/21, where citizens shall not have the opportunity to such jobs in exchange for their participation in the administration of elections. The cost of the political funds during elections shall be made public and approved by civil society. The proposal for legal changes in the electoral administration by people with no party affiliation as including a series of problems that have been present in all elections in Albania. Through acceptable debate the people will be aware about the necessity of change where they will be preparing their own and without having political interests they will be more responsible by respecting the law correctly.	

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Guidelines for the Democracy Commission Small Grants Program

The Democracy Commission Small grants program was initiated in 1994 as a flexible mechanism by which American Embassies are able to award small sums of money for projects and initiatives that support the development of democracy in the countries of Central Europe and the Baltic States.

- The small grants program is for **non-governmental** activities that promote grassroots democracy. **Thus, it is very important to explain how the project promotes democracy.** Projects, which provide a direct social service, such as services to individuals with disability, do not meet strict D.C. guidelines. Rather, projects should include democracy building aspects such as: public awareness, respect for human rights and advocacy for the targeted groups, establishment and preservation of the rule of law and democracy, economic reform, environmental clean-up, the strengthening of the NGO sector, the reconciliation of disputes, and better journalism, etc.
- The **maximum** amount per grant is **\$24,000**. However, **most grants will be for smaller amounts.**
- The Public Affairs section of the embassy in each country is responsible for submitting **ALL** proposals to Washington for a technical review after the proposal(s) have been approved by the commission. Upon approval, Washington sends authorization to the embassy to write the grant locally. In the technical review Washington will look to see how the project promotes democracy.
- Grants should seek to facilitate long-term sustainability and democratic institution-building for local organizations and support efforts to promote reform.
- Grants for publication of materials should describe the intended audience, provide a clear understanding of the materials' content, and specify who is responsible for the distribution of the materials.
- A clear time frame, especially a date by which the grant-funded activity is expected to end, is recommended.
- Budgets should be submitted in US dollars.
- These grants may **NOT** be used to:
 - fund American organizations and individuals
 - fund activities for which there are existing programs.
 - provide for long-term infrastructural needs.

- Provide direct social services to populations.
- Grants are normally made on a one-time basis. But repeat grants to the same organization are okay with clear justification and for different projects.
- Grants generally avoid paying salaries or professional fees with grants. If salaries appear necessary and appropriate, the following guidelines apply:
 - Salary levels should be reasonable and no higher than other local salaries for similar work.
 - Salary should be calculated as a lump-sum, based on the total number of hours worked for the duration of the project.
- Grants may not pay for food or refreshments. But if it is necessary at a workshop or conference or other event, the grantee or another donor organization must pay for it.
- A report on every grant must be submitted by the Public Affairs section of the embassy to Washington upon completion of the activity(s). The report will be used to evaluate whether the program has accomplished its goals. Evaluation is essential to the integrity of the program and is also required to account for the dispersal of USG funds. Future funding of the program will be contingent on a careful review of its accomplishments.
- A suggested format for writing grants and evaluation is provided with these guidelines.



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DEMOCRACY COMMISSION SMALL GRANTS

Public Affairs Section
U.S. Embassy Tirana, Albania

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

I. Grant Applicant

Name of the organization, address, phone/fax number/e-mail address, name and title of director and other significant staff members, particularly those who will be involved in the project.

Applicants should also attach a CV, resume or personal history of the people who will be engaged in the project. No one CV should exceed one page.

II. Background on Applicant

When was the organization founded, what are its principle activities, significant achievements, etc.? A copy of the registration papers of the organization as issued by host country authorities should be attached.

III. Program Description/Purpose

What does the applicant propose to do? The proposal should contain sufficient information that anyone not familiar with it would understand exactly what the applicant wants to do and why. The more specific, detailed, and clear the program description, the better. Remember that the Democracy Commission will only award funds to the best proposals, those that can clearly show how the proposed project will help the development of democratic, free market society in the host country.

IV. Project Justification

This is a very important aspect of the proposal and applicants should pay particular attention to it. What is the importance of the project? Why should it be funded? Who will be affected by this project? What difference does it make for your country? Remember that the Democracy Commission will only support those projects that will make an important contribution.

Applicants may also attach letters of endorsement attesting to the seriousness of the proposal.

V. Project Sustainability

Describe the expected long-term effects of the project. If the project is intended to continue after the funding from the Democracy Commission ends, the proposal must also contain a very thorough explanation how the organization will fund the activity in the future. If a convincing explanation is not included, this will disqualify the project from consideration for Democracy Commission support.

VI. Proposed Program dates

When will the project be carried out, if it is funded? Be realistic about dates. Remember that, even if approved, funds from the Democracy Commission may not be available for as long as two or three months from the time the application is submitted. (For example, if the applicant submits the proposal in September, but states that the project must begin in September, the Commission may reject the proposal as unrealistic on this basis alone.)

VII. Detailed Budget, including supporting narrative

In order to be sure that the Commission understands why there is a need for money, the applicant should prepare a line-by-line list of expenses that will be generated by this project. The budget should be prepared in a logical manner and offer enough detail that a reviewer will be able to understand exactly what the figures mean and how that figure was determined.

ALL PROJECT EXPENSES SHOULD BE CALCULATED IN ADVANCE AND BE REALISTIC. THE DEMOCRACY COMMISSION MEMBERS WILL NOT AUTHORIZE ANY FUNDS IF THERE IS ANY QUESTION ABOUT THE BUDGET.

The budget narrative should follow the actual budget presentation itself and describe in some detail the costs presented in the budget. In other words, the narrative explains, line by line, what the numbers mean and how they were determined. (For example, ATravel: \$3,000." Explanation: Two day conference in (location) for 30 participants with a 2X\$50 travel grant to each participant for room, board and transportation costs.)

If the proposal seeks funding to purchase a service or equipment, the application must include three pro-forma estimates from the service or equipment vendor. Simply listing AComputer and printer: \$4,000" is not sufficient. The Commission will want to know what kind of computer, what kind of printer and how much three different vendors will charge for this equipment.

BUDGET GUIDELINES

Program expenses should cover all costs for the project activities. They may include all honoraria to specialists or associates; travel/per diem/lodging expenses for trips; and all expenses for seminars or conferences (speakers= fee, preparation of materials and room rental).

Salaries could be paid only to the people who will spend a majority of their time on the project and have signed contracts. The salary should be calculated on the total number of

hours worked for the duration of the project. Salary levels should be reasonable and no higher than other local salaries, and should include all local taxes.

Equipment means computer, copying machine, printer or other technical devices necessary for the fulfillment of the project (for example, the purchase of a computer for organizing a conference is not a justified expense).

Administrative expenses include communication expenses (phone, fax, e-mail, postage); bank taxes; copying and print services; office materials (paper, toner, envelopes, etc.).

Bank charges should be pre-calculated and included in the budget. Please note that any interest earned on the grant sum must be returned to the U.S. Government. The use of Amiscellaneous expenses as a budget item is unacceptable.

Cocktail parties and meals not integral to a program event are not acceptable grant expenses. An effort should be made to secure funding from other sources for food costs.

Entertainment costs (amusement, diversion, social activities, ceremonials, alcoholic beverages, cocktail parties) are not allowable expenses.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE BUDGET ITEMS CANNOT BE CHANGED DURING THE FULFILLMENT OF THE PROJECT.

VIII. Reporting Requirements

If you receive funding from the Democracy Commission, you will be required to submit a detailed program and financial report on the outcomes of the project. Please describe when you will submit the report on the outcomes and who will prepare the financial report (e.g. an accountant).

IX. Other sources of support for this project, including the in-kind contribution of the applying organization

Please describe the possibilities for co-funding of the project by other organization.

Please describe the in-kind contribution of your organization - it can be voluntary work, use of premises, vehicles, classroom supplies, equipment or payment of a program event from your own funds (e.g. rental of a hall, printing of announcements, meals, travel, etc.).

Please state which other organizations you have applied to for funding with the same project, and the status of those applications.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND IN THE APPLICATION BEFORE YOU:

- * Read once again the Democracy Commission Guidelines that describe the Small Grant Program. Make sure you understand those guidelines and that your proposal fits

the purposes it discusses.

- * Carefully review the application to make sure it is complete and free of errors.
- * Ask someone who does not know anything about your project to read your proposal to determine if it is understandable. Remember that the members of the Democracy Commission will not know anything about your proposal until they read it. If they cannot understand it simply by reading what you have written, it will not be approved.
- * Ask someone with experience applying for grants to look at the application and provide advice on improving it.
- * Make sure the application is neatly typed and easy to read in **English**. Perfect English is not required but the proposal must be understandable to an English speaker.

Applications which do not include the required information or do not comply with the requirements of the Program guidelines, will not be reviewed.

SEND THE COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM TO:

Democracy Commission Small Grants Program (Public Affairs Office)
United States Embassy Tirana, Albania
Address: Rr. Elbasanit, 103, Tirane

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Democracy Commission Small Grants Program

The United States Embassy in Tirana, acting through the Public Affairs Office, is pleased to announce an open competition for assistance awards through this **NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (NOFO) for DEMOCRACY COMMISSION SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM.**

Purpose of the Program

The Democracy Commission Small Grants Program supports initiatives of local non-governmental organizations (NGOs) engaged in, building the social and intellectual foundations of democracy, the democratic resolution of problems, strengthening civil society watchdog activities, and the institutionalization of open, pluralistic political processes. The Democracy Commission Program seeks to support initiatives throughout Albania in a variety of fields, including those related to: anti-corruption, participatory and good governance, investigative journalism, respect for human rights/minority rights, women's empowerment, dispute reconciliation, environmental awareness, and combatting human trafficking.

The call for proposals has closed. The next call will be announced in Spring, 2016.

The Democracy Commission does **NOT** fund projects such as the following:

- Fund-raising campaigns
- Humanitarian assistance projects
- Scientific research projects
- Projects with budgets that exceed \$24,000 and take more than a year to implement
- Projects that duplicate existing projects being implemented by an organization
- Projects submitted by for-profit, commercial organizations
- Projects that aim to support partisan political and/ or religious activity
- Conferences and individual trips abroad
- Trade activities

Evaluation Process:

The U.S. Embassy has established the Democracy Commission, which reviews and evaluates proposals for this program. It will take the Commission up to two months after the application deadline to complete its review process. Applicants may be contacted with questions during this review process, and will also be informed whether or not their proposal was selected via e-mail.

Evaluation Criteria:

The Democracy Commission will assess the following when evaluating grant proposals:

- The project proposal demonstrates that the organization has sufficient expertise, skills and human resources to implement the project.
- The organization demonstrates that it has a clear understanding of the underlying issue that the project is aiming to address and is able to articulate it with specificity and clarity.
- The organization has consulted relevant resources, experts and potential partner organizations during the project's design phase.
- The organization has identified appropriate beneficiaries or target groups in a way that maximizes project outputs and outcomes and the project has a clear focus and manageable scope.
- The project's idea and approach are innovative, yet capable of being completed with the program period. Proposed project activities must be concrete, detailed, and supported by a reasonable work plan.
- The project's budget is well-organized, detailed and reasonable. There are no budget lines labeled "miscellaneous expenses." Entertainment and alcoholic beverage expenses are not included in the budget. The budget demonstrates that the organization has devoted time to plan for and assess actual expenses associated with the project instead of providing rough estimates.
- The organization has clearly articulated how it will assess and measure its own performance throughout the project implementation phase using concrete quantitative and qualitative assessment tools.
- The project proposal describes clearly the approach that will be used to ensure maximum sustainability of the project's results after its completion.
- Past performance, including U.S. government funded grants, indicates reliability, responsible use of resources, and an ability to follow through with project aims.

Specific Guidelines:

IMPORTANT! Organizations may only submit one proposal per program

- The maximum grant amount is USD 24,000.
- Grants are made on a one-time basis. A successful applicant may re-apply for a second grant, but the second proposal must be for a distinctly different project than the first project funded by the Democracy Commission.
- Organizations are eligible to receiving funding from this program not more often than once in two years.
- U.S. organizations and individuals are not eligible for grants under the program.

The application requires a detailed description of the activity for which grant funds are being requested and a budget proposal broken down by expenditure category; otherwise it will not be considered.

How to Apply?

All applications are required to be in English. You must use an official application form, which together with the application guideline package can be obtained by e-mailing PDgrants@state.gov

Your application should include:

- Name, address, telephone/fax number, e-mail address of the organization and name of contact person
- The court decision registration number of the organization
- The bank account number of the organization
- A brief description of what the organization does
- A description of the project: how the grant will be used and who the target audience is

Executive summary of the project (no longer than a paragraph)

- A detailed description of why the project is necessary
- The approximate time from the beginning to the completion of the project
- Description of the project's goals, and how this can be measured at the conclusion of the project
- Previous grants by various donors (name of donor, goal of project, and amount)
- A detailed budget, listing all component items
- The amount of cost-sharing by the grantee

Copies of the court decision registration, statute of the organization, and CVs of the main staff of the project must be included in the application package. Any application that does not cover all the above points will not be considered.

Please send your application package to the following address:

Democracy Commission Small Grants Program
Embassy of the United States of America
Rr. Elbasanit, Nr. 103
Tirana, Albania

Submission of the electronic version (Word and Excel format) of the application form to PDgrants@state.gov is also mandatory.

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Hello Everyone,

We would like to convene the 'Donors' Grant Reviewing meeting of the Democracy Commission Small Grants Program. We have received applications from many NGOs during the first round of this program, focusing mainly on good governance, domestic violence, anti-trafficking, and women's empowerment, but not only, and would like to invite you in a discussion on these proposals. Your valuable input and comments will be used by the U.S. Embassy's Democracy Commission, which has the ultimate authority in awarding the grants.

We hope you will be able to participate in this meeting, which will take place at the U.S. Embassy on Thursday, June 25, 2015 at 14:00. Please find attached a list of the grant proposals with summarized descriptions.



List project
proposals FY15 ...

We look forward to hearing from you

Thanks and regards

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NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION	NAME OF THE PROJECT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	Comments	PROJECT EXEC. SUMMARY
1 Counseling Center and Psychological Services (CCPS)	The identification of problems in terms of transparency, efficiency and impartiality of the judiciary in north Albania and improvement throughout monitoring and increasing the effectiveness of professionals in the justice system	\$ 23,300		Law and the Court should be a guarantee of Law in Albania, but only an independent and incorruptible judiciary can accomplish this mission. Based on our work, and referring to monitoring studies and judicial practices, (except the causes) the project intends to investigate the impact of legal consequences in the society. The findings of monitoring, on the main conclusions and recommendations are related to the legal framework, related to encouraging of the awareness raising, recommendations related to the improvement of the service offered to the public among at having access to the institutions and implementation of their rights. We aim to increase effectiveness of the professionals in justice system and to improve the quality of representation in front of the court, through transparency, fairness, and respect for judicial ethics.
2 IPSED Institute for the Promotion of Social and Economic Development	Combating Corruption in the Health Care System in Albania	\$21,200		The project proposes to develop tools and instruments that would showcase how corruption affects the health sector in Albania and where anti-corruption interventions might be needed. Corruption in the health sector is a reflection of the structural challenges in the health care system as well as where it takes place within the health care sector. Among the key reasons for corruption in the health sector are weak or non-existent rules and regulations, over regulation, lack of accountability, low salaries and limited offer of services (e.g., more demand than supply). The scale of corruption also varies: it may be 'petty' (as with bureaucratic or administrative corruption that takes place at the implementation level where the people (recipients of services) interact with public officials) or 'grand' (corruption at a higher level, notably at the policy level).
3 KRIK Albania Organization- In collaboration with the Coalition of Domestic Observers (Society For Democratic Culture, KRIK and For Women and Children Association in partnership with 31 Local CSOs.)	Transparency of money in politics, as a mechanism to mitigate corruption in Albania	\$ 23,865		Full transparency on the sources of finances and expenses of the parties is essential for a stable democracy, being a guarantee that the parties will represent the will of the ordinary citizens as well as a mechanism attempting to mitigate undue influence on policymaking. The purpose of this project is improvement of the transparency of political finance in Albania - presently deemed insufficient - through addressing four of the main causes identified as responsible for this situation: (1) poor access to information on party finances for the public, (2) poor knowledge and capacities of some political parties regarding procedures for making transparency of party finances, (3) effectiveness of enforcement of the actual legal and regulatory framework, and (4) insufficient legal and regulatory provisions for full transparency of party finances. These issues will be addressed through: (1) design and establishment of a webpage dedicated to party finances transparency, (2) providing information and consultancy for key actors directly interested on the parties' finances, (3) monitoring of the enforcement of the actual legal and regulatory framework, and (4) activities aimed at legal amendments to improve the transparency.
4 (NLJAFT) Movement CENTER	Freedom of Information	\$ 23,020		Mjafi is implementing this project as a continuation of its multi-year attempts to make the access to information laws, freedom of information philosophy and public participation in the decision-making, enforced and embraced by the public institutions, and widely used by the citizens, organizations, media, and other interested actors. Under the auspices of the Open Government Partnership (OGP) initiative, to which the Albanian government adheres from the year 2011, Mjafi will focus its efforts on monitoring and will push for the proper implementation of the newly amended law on access to public information, and the new law on public consultations. As is demonstrated in the different sectors of this proposal, good laws are not necessarily implemented, although the new laws lend to a great extent the ability of public officials to interpret them in more than one way, they have not been implemented at all in the past. It is therefore imperative to set standards and establish rule of law. The underlying aim of this project is to further the democratization and to increase freedom of expression in Albania, by fostering transparency of the public institutions. This should lead to increased public participation in the legislative, and the overall decision-making democratic processes, and it should be augmented by raising the awareness of public officials on the implementation of the aforementioned laws.

5 (GADP)	Gender Alliance for Development Centre	Fighting corruption through patient satisfaction mechanisms in primary health care services in Albania	321,000		The project "Fighting corruption through patient satisfaction mechanisms in primary health care services in Albania" is an effort to tackle corruption in the health care system. Access to quality health care is one of the basic human rights. The main objective of this project is to increase transparency and accountability of Primary Health Care centers in Albania through setting up a tool for patients to evaluate services delivered by the staff of primary health care centers. Health care in Albania is perceived predominantly as corrupt and the need to address it is urgent and essential. The relationship between patients and healthcare providers is critical as it influences patients' satisfaction and their perceptions of the system. This project will pilot in 5 PHCs in Tirana with the design and implementation of the patient satisfaction survey as a tool to provide the patient with the opportunity to assess and evaluate service quality and convey it to the management to manage patients' perceptions and expectations. Primary Health Care centers are the first contact point of citizens with the health care system in the country. Therefore, it is important to apply an active citizenship approach to improve services offered and lower the level of corruption in this chain of the health care system in Albania. This project will be implemented in collaboration with the Ministry of Health.
6 (IDM)	Institute for Democracy and Mediation	OpenALB: A government and civic partnership in fighting corruption and promoting good governance	23,990		Albania faces a long road a transformation towards EU membership. Confidence in government is relatively low, with high levels of corruption and shoddy in the rule of law and effective policy delivery. As a member of the global OGP network, the Republic of Albania has declared its willingness to support principles of transparency, fight against corruption, strengthening of citizens and using advantages of information technologies to create the right preconditions for a more efficient and innovative way of providing public services and managing of public resources. Even though positive steps have been undertaken and progress has been achieved, Albania lags behind in complying with the basic requirements of the OGP, namely, profound and institutionalized cooperation with civil society organizations and community stakeholders. This element hinders the very principles of OGP, a true partnership between the government and the community to enhance transparency, accountability and community engagement.
7 (BIRN Albania)	Balkan Investigative Reporting Network - Albania (BIRN Albania)	Exposing Black Wealth in the Albanian Justice System	21,815		BIRN Albania is proposing a twelve-month project, which aims to increase transparency and trust of citizens in the judicial system, by exposing information about the black assets of judges and raising capacities of local journalists in investigative and reporting in-depth, in order to promote integrity and effective anticorruption measures among in the judicial system, as well as among institutions responsible for their monitoring and control.
8 (ALIAN Legal and Territorial Research)	Albanian Legal and Territorial Research	Forms of corruption in the justice system in Albania	17,850		Forms of corruption in the justice system in Albania is a 6 months project that will extend on 3 Regions of Albania (Tirana, Shkoder and Vlorë) and more specifically on 8 courts (Tirana, Shkoder and Vlorë District Courts, Courts of Appeal and Administrative Court of First Instance). The study of the forms of corruption in the justice system is foreseen to be realized through using of four pillars: 1) Conducting a survey with the identified relevant groups; 2) Conducting the interviewing process with the identified relevant groups; 3) Organizing a first event in order to publicize the results of the report. During the project implementation and through guidance and methodology prepared, will enable to identify the concrete forms of corruption in the judicial system and get overview measures to fight corruption in this field. At the end of the project will be organized a public event in order to introduce and make public the results, conclusions and recommendations deriving from the project.
9 (ProLGBT Albania)	United for Pro LGBT cause in Albania	PAID A BRIBE	10,770		The project addresses the raising awareness and public education on tools and mechanisms of fighting corruption. It comes as a response of the measures at Anti-corruption action plan 2015-2017 adopted by Albanian Government, as well as a commitment on training young people to be responsible citizens including youth from LGBT Community and other vulnerable communities in the framework of cohesive and democratic society.

Foundation: Ragbani Centre "Eye of New Media" in close cooperation with Association of Journalists for Justice	Denounce the damage and abusive exploitation of national assets	\$ 22,675		The project proposal "Denounce the damage and abusive exploitation of national assets" aims at producing 9 investigative stories in the regions of Gjirokastra, Tiana and Elbasan focusing on damage to natural resources and cultural monuments. The stories will prove abuse of office and funds of public officials responsible for the protection and conservation of these resources. The project aims to involve 6 journalists and 20 journalism students in the project implementation. 300 people in the three counties will be interviewed for identifying their reflections and their complaints about the situation. On the basis two environmental experts and cultural heritage will train journalists and students on aspects of the legislation and technical aspects in these areas and will support the editor before publishing stories. Each journalist will monitor at least 2-3 students during the preparation of stories. The stories will be published in www.megastop.al and will be directed to all national media. A report with the main findings will also be made public in the media and will also be addressed to the relevant institutions.
Trans Center for Journalistic Excellence (TCJE)	Albanian Media's Corruption Reporting Monitoring and Research Database	\$ 20,310		TCJE proposes creating a platform to monitor and analyze the Albanian media's coverage of corruption. The platform will consist in: a) an online database based on media monitoring to assist journalists in tracking media coverage on corruption cases and as a research tool for background information on corruption cases; b) a final biannual report on the monitoring observed for the duration of the project and recommendations of improvements; c) training for journalists on how to use the database and on how to better research corruption cases. The project would serve to provide an overall picture and suggest improvements of what is often spotty coverage on corruption.
Sustainable Economic Development Agency (SEDA)	Monitoring of Territorial Reform in the Municipalities of Lezha and Kucove	\$23,000		The project activities will be focused on practical and documented monitoring of the process of the set up of new municipalities of Lezha (North wing) and Kucove (South wing) in areas of budgeting, investments organizational structure and public service.
Assist Impact	Promoting Integrity and Fighting Corruption in Prisons	\$23,094		The Assist Impact and ARCT's joint action is addressing the issue of corruption existing in an Albanian prison system through research, monitoring and subsequent awareness raising as well as recommendations for interventions and best practices. The action system intends to "teach" the corrective approaches due to serious internal administrative and management failures, however little data and research and even fewer cases are brought to the attention of investigative authorities on the environment that is "out-of-sight". The Promoting Integrity and Fighting Corruption in Prisons project entails 44 field finding missions in all penitentiary system in Albania to gauge the spread of corruption and control practices that will form the basis for recommendations and strategies to state authorities (Union authorities and prison administrations) on addressing the identified problems. A targeted awareness and advocacy campaign involving CSOs, journalists and prison authorities will serve as part of the collective actions for preventive measures against corruption.
Association of Organic Horticulture-BIOPLANT	Who hasn't used the "real human" in the Free Gift area	\$24,000		1. The analysis of actual condition of forests that is under administration of Prinjara town hall. 2. Demonstrating in practice of one area cleaning, processing all forest garbage, in function of warning of the border gardens. 3. involvement of the persons who profit economical help. 4. Identification of the most problematic areas. 5. To define the right experts for rehabilitation of the problematic areas.

15	Albanian Helsinki Committee (AHC)	Increasing the accountability and reliability of the judicial bodies on fighting the corruption cases	\$23,485		Due to the experience and continuous security of AHC in preparing study reports and analyzing the court decisions for specific aspects, AHC plan to realize a new initiative on study and monitoring the corruption cases to the court and its final decisions. We plan to realize three main pillars in this project, studying the final court decisions on the cases of corruption, focusing on the way the judicial bodies examine these issues and criminal policy pursuing from them, monitoring the hearing sessions in courts for cases of corruption and following the action of the entitled mission to denounce and treat the cases and the complaints of the corruption, or misuse of power such as High State Audit, High Council of Justice, KIDMAQI, etc.
16	Albanian Institute of Science (AIS)	Open Government against Corruption - Municipalities Open Gov for Good Governance	\$24,000		Through the Open Government against Corruption Project, will be published online seven Municipalities Data Gov Information App, visualization and linked data) on seven selected municipalities of different geographic location and political representation. Create an application called "How does the Municipality spend my money" of five one stop integrative data source categories for expenditures on public works, expenditures on public services, expenditures on the municipality staff, claims contacted by the municipality, incomes from the use of Municipality-owned territories. The data include details like time, descriptions, beneficiaries, and descriptions of expenditures following the Open Data Principles. The application shall be made available on two portals: http://open data ai and http://open data ai. In order to ensure data distribution and reuse, the project team intends to training paralels working for local media in the respective municipalities and the staff members of the municipalities for increasing their capacities in using Open Government instrument.
17	Institute for Democracy and Transition	Project Citizen against Corruption	\$24,000		Corruption is a very serious problem in Albania and the fight against corruption is one of the new government's top priorities in the path towards the European integration of the country. Since anti-corruption education is an integral part of raising public awareness, Project Citizen against Corruption proposes the integration of an anti-corruption module in the civic education curriculum of high schools in Albania in order to increase the awareness among younger generations about corruption, but also to educate them to become active fighters against this negative phenomenon which threatens the very existence of a democratic society, with a view to promoting personal integrity, civic responsibility, understanding of human rights and duties to society and the state, and ensuring the implementation of the aims of corruption prevention.
18	American Enterprise School of Albania (AESA)	Corruption doesn't pay back: Employers wage against corruption in high education	\$23,700		In continuation of its efforts to provide integrity, professionalism and excellence in Albanian higher education, the American Enterprise School of Albania proposes to carry out a one year long awareness and information campaign project bringing together students and employers in a honest and eye opening debate about the value of genuine education and real capacities and skills as well as running a street campaign to induce students to report corruption and secure the accountability of those of carry it out. We intend to fight corruption from within, engaging the community of students by raising awareness of problems encountered for employment with an education bought by money and with diplomas that are worthless. We also intend to provide the students with the necessary information on the legal instruments they might make use to denounce cases of corruption.
19	House of Europe	Anti-corruption education at the early stage: building resistance of future citizens	\$22,210		Anti-corruption education at the early stage: building resistance of future citizens is a follow up to initiatives previously undertaken by House of Europe as an organization that tries to educate younger generations on the importance of good governance and awareness regarding different development challenges of the country, especially in its efforts to fight corruption. The project intends to organize meetings and discussion forums in 3 high schools in the following cities: Berat, Korce, Shkoder and Pashkan. The proposed activities will provide high school students with valuable information and skills, raise their awareness for the public administration, introduce them to e-government services, (free education and health services) and the need to refuse corruption wherever it appears. The organizers will prepare detailed informational materials and letters to distribute to high school students of the targeted cities.

20	Youth Anti-Corruption	Youth Against Corruption	\$22,425		Youth Against Corruption has been conceived and designed as a project of Youth Act in collaboration with High Schools in Albania for continuous education training on anti-corruption issues. Corruption in the country is a serious and youth continue to see themselves involved in their homeland. By empowering this age-group with the knowledge and hope through education training sessions which will be designed based on the outcomes of their survey answers, Albanian youngsters CAN and WILL rise to change their own future and destiny. This initiative will enhance education of youth on recognizing patterns of corruption and encourage them to actively participate in their community. They will experience volunteering and will be trained through a series of trainings, seminars, conducting database and research campaigns. This project aims at increasing youth awareness about the different "faces" that corruption takes in their community. The project will train through its experts the Youth (100) of 5 main High Schools in 5 Albanian cities (Tirana - Vlore - Korca - Shkoder - Durrës) as youth members and ambassadors of anti-corruption. The trained young people will organize workshops/presentations, lead online forums, launch anti-corruption campaigns and monitor and report the cases of corruption in their community.
21	Albanian Institute for International Studies (AIIS)	Corruption as a security threat to lives of Albanians citizens- mobilizing against active and passive corruption at society level	\$23,920		AIIS and RISH undertake to make and broadcast a documentary on the corruption impact on the daily lives of Albanian citizens to demonstrate the security threats it poses to them and hence mobilize them against active and passive corruption. Through reaching a national audience the Action provides maximum outreach and large scale impact. AIIS will then strengthen and deepen the impact through targeted broadcasts and follow up discussion in universities and local communities throughout Albania.
22	Albanian Institute of Political Studies	Increase of the participation in the polls "THE UNPUNISHABLE"	\$14,000		The project "The Non-Punishables" will be an awareness and exposure campaign that condemns the most evident abuse and corruptive acts of senior officials/institutions based on the files presented by State's Supreme Audit and the High Inspectorate of Declaration of Assets and Conflicts of Interests by the DA (District Assembly). AIIS will publicly expose and denounce the top 20 "non-punishables" by making use of media and civil commitment. This project aims to increase the awareness of the public and institutions, preventing and reducing the level of corruption in senior management levels by exposing the negative practices before the Albanian citizens also encouraging the DA and Albanian Courts, to take measures to be more transparent and more committed to the prosecution and investigation of senior officials or institutions that have abused with their duty and the laws of the citizens.
23	Institute of Migration, Development and Integration	Support the work of the Public Procurement Advocate	\$23,800		Implementation of the project aims at leading institutional strengthening of the Public Procurement Advocate, as an institution established under the initiative of the government to combat corruption in the field of public procurement. Its objectives are: 1. increase the performance of the Public Procurement Advocate through its institutional strengthening, 2. increased standardization of internal activity of the Public Procurement Advocate, 3. Minimizing corruption in the field of public procurement and concessions through increased collaboration of this institution with economic operators.
24	Institute of Romani Culture in Albania (IRCA)	Roma Youth Ambassadors of a Corruption-Free Society: Disseminating Anti-Corruption Culture among Roma Youth and Promoting Equal Services to all Citizens	\$23,750		The project is inspired by recent research on the root-causes of corruption and also on the current anti-corruption measures taken by the Government of Albania which emphasizes the need to invest in anti-corruption culture. We believe that such anti-corruption culture should be invested especially among marginalized groups such as Roma, (who due to poor education, low awareness on civic rights and entitlements, (fostered also by a status of social stigma) are often denied services by public officials, forcing them to pay bribes which in turn makes them both victims of corruption but also law offenders. It is for such reasons that this initiative aims to instill an anti-corruption culture among Roma youth and community at large (by enhancing their understanding on civic rights and entitlements as well as cultivating a negative attitude against corruptive practices), while strengthening partnership with local authorities for equal services to all citizens.

25	Civil Society Development Center (CSDC) Durrus	Youth as educators in preventing corruption	\$27,750		The Civil Society Development Center (CSDC) Durrus, as a member of the CSOA Coalition for OCP - Albania, in consultation with the OCP Coalition's members is approaching the US Embassy with a project proposal entitled "Youth as educators in preventing corruption and ending to spread the CSOA Coalition for OCP - Albania (Albania) for Durrus". The project aims to increase the number of formal (administrative or criminal) complaints against corruption in the health sector in the municipality of Tërza. Our project aims to increase awareness and action of patients, their families, the public at large, and public authorities on fighting corruption. We will use as methods a survey, round table discussions, a study and a policy paper on corruption, free lawyer assistance for formal complaints, as well as multimedia campaign that includes TV shows, posters, brochures, social media and web-pages.
26	National Center of Community Services	Protecting citizens' rights by identifying corruption trends and encouraging an anti-corruption culture in health-care patients	\$11,220		
27	Balkan Center for Cooperation and Development	YNAC Youth Network Against Corruption	\$19,000		The project "Youth and community mobilization for accountability of public officials" is an innovative project that has the focus on civic education of young people (16-25 years old) in Albania, to encourage them to participate and be protagonists of their own development, by setting and keeping them on their local government representatives, accountable for the promises they have made during electoral campaign. The main focus of the project is the encouragement of young people, not only to be active voters, but also to be active citizens of their own development and their community and general society.
28	Center For Legal Dive Initiative	Fighting Corruption in the Higher Education System in Albania through developing tools and platforms to increase transparency and accountability in the Higher Education System	\$24,000		This project aims to address the problem of corruption in the Higher Education system and empower students to fight the negative aspects such as lack of transparency and accountability in the university governance. This project intends to increase the students' participation in promoting integrity and fighting against corruption, as well support their demand and pressure for corruption free universities by different and practical activities. The project will help in the creation of students' networks, development of platforms or tools to express and share their views on corruption and generate creative solution to this problem in the higher education system. This project will support the introduction in the following year of a special anti-corruption curriculum in the Faculties.
29	A.C.R.E.P. (Non-Profit Association for Citizens Rights and Environmental Protection)	Interventions aimed at combating corruption in the local public administration	\$18,500		The project contains "interventions aimed at combating corruption in the local public administration" which can be synthesized in three actions: 1) monitoring the perception of the corruption phenomenon in the population (both rural and city); 2) information and formation targeted at the subject most exposed to the corruption risk; 3) free legal assistance to the reported episodes of corruption.

30 Green Centre Albania (OCA Shkoder)	Concerns heal the health system	\$12,400		According to all the foreign reports the corruption in the health system is currently a real problem of the society and of the Albanian Government. OCA aims to increase the citizen reaction to the corruption phenomenon in the health system to heal the wounds in the health care system through informative and creative activities. At the same time we aim to awaken the citizen consciousness and then that of the doctors so that the last mentioned can see themselves as citizens. Our aim will be to stimulate the citizens and all the health system to improve their work through saving the citizens, but at the same time we will stimulate the citizens to denounce and report corruption cases by serving them as medicine for the distressed doctors. This will be the subject of our extensive "Healing the health system" with anti-corruption doses.
31 Optimum Center	Promoting active movement in the fight against corruption	\$21,450		The fight against corruption is a long battle which neither begins nor ends here. This project will encourage the involvement of the civil society in this war through a comprehensive publication, engaging civil society directly in public and decision-making processes. The missing voice of civil society could be expressed through a specific publication, in which Lartano might say, "What a written remains".
32 Environment	Crises against Environment, Environmental Conflict, need for institutional response, civil and legal mediation	\$18,433		Environmental crime is the highest form of severe environmental consequences, a concern that is addressed with the relationships between the environment, the role of citizens, passing the word to the trafficking of natural resources with their destruction. This is generalized not the right policy for the environment, the development of practices and policies harmful to the environment, gives the way to environmental degradation and encourages broader effects for involvement in environmental activities, to better understand the impact of crime and corruption on the environment and contribute to reducing the social problem. Access to regional and local level of the problem means to have better the situation by avoiding risks in a realistic evaluation of the environmental sector in Albania and attempt to capture the views of stakeholders on the main implications of environmental policies and the degree of implementation of anti-corruption and anti-environmental crime measures.
33 Albanian Institute of Medicinal Plants	Denounces	\$23,090		Implementation project organization will be Albanian Institute of Medicinal Plants - Medically Institute, which will establish 12 project implementation teams, one per Prefecture, with the participation of Medically Institute representatives, environmentalists, young people, women, public activists, journalists, artists, volunteers, but they do have not representatives from state agencies, ministers or government. A central office will be established, the same, regional offices and corruption act will be open in Tirana which will serve for collecting on-line all data, records and documents of the citizens for environmental crimes and corruption. Also central project office in Tirana will establish contacts and relationships not only with citizens and other regional project offices and representatives but also with state policy authorities and representatives for harmonizing with them our programs, strategies and actions for fighting and reducing environmental crimes and corruption in Albania.
34 ALBANIAN SOCIAL MEDIA ASSOCIATION	DATE SAY NO MORE CORRUPTION	\$22,742		Realization, encouraging, research, investigation, gathering, motivation, exclusiveness of the community and case reporting against all forms of corruption demonstration. The instruments which will be used: questionnaires, meetings with the community, cooperation with different social strata, interviews, conferences, publications in media, portal on the phone line for reporting and cooperation, recordings, photography, publications etc. The activity of this project will be exercised in three districts of Capital (Gjyshester, Tepelene and Fierme).

35	Partners Albania, Center for Change and Conflict Management	Better local governance through increased transparency and accountability of municipal councils	\$23,878		The goal of this project is to increase transparency and accountability at local level and contribute to good governance and fight against corruption, through the creation and use of an online platform dedicated to the monitoring of the activity of municipal councils at local level. The platform will serve to inform on the municipal council activity and to ensure the citizens, civil society organizations, groups of interests and local communities at large. Through this platform, citizens, NGOs and stakeholders, will have the opportunity to follow on time (live and through registration) the meaning of the municipal council, will be informed on the draft decisions proposed to the council by the municipal staff, on the council's discussions on the draft, on the decisions approved by municipal council members and on the implementation of these decisions.
36	ALBANIAN MEDIA INSTITUTE (AMI)	ACCESS TO INFORMATION AS A TOOL FOR ANTI-CORRUPTION MONITORING. ACCESSIBILITY INDEX OF LOCAL PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS	\$23,800		This project is based on a two-day rationale. Since August 2015 the new local administration takes over in Albania after the elections held in June, applying a new administrative map in the country. In early 2015 the new Law on Access to Information (FOIA) is in force guaranteeing to citizens and journalists quick access to public information and ensuring a greater transparency in the local government. However, previous local public administration was often criticized of being closed to the citizens and the public. Increasing journalists' interests that they encounter numerous difficulties to access information and transparency of the new local public administration. AMI proposes a project that will measure the level of accessibility of the new local public administration (FOIA) which will assess the level of transparency in the local level (using the index of FOIA) and determine the proper needs and directions where the implementation of the law needs improvement. The project research will also be an indicator of how accessible and accountable a public administration works with citizens. This research will be published and the findings will be discussed in four roundtables in Shkoder, Korca, Fier and Kukes.
37	Kucove Municipality	One Stop Shop	\$2,800		The municipality of Kucove has adopted anti-corruption strategy in 2010 and trying to implement it and create a more approach to citizens and service oriented behavior. After the national reform finalized in January 2016, the population will doubt the current structures of public information and service offering will be obsolete increasing the citizen's dissatisfaction, possibilities of bribery, confrontations etc. The one stop shop for information and service application will be a new structure that will facilitate the service offering and increase efficiency of administrative procedures in the matter, not being place for corruption territory and transforming an old service delivering system in a new transparent one.
38	Albania Sustainable Development Organization	Democratic institutions and accountable citizens	\$23,910		This project is designed to improve the quality of governance as well as the quality of services that citizens receive. To promote a transparent and service decision making process citizens will have free access to legislation and will be fully informed on it. It will also further institutionalize and professionalize capacities to identify, promote and disseminate the information and interests of citizens throughout the country.
39	European Institute of Training	Assessment of Anti-Corruption in the Education System in Albania: Curricula vs Student Perspectives	\$16,942		The project aims to provide a better understanding of the current situation of education of high school students on the issue of corruption. Also it aims to raise the need to adapt integration on corruption in the high schools. To do so the project will first conduct an empirical study of the status of education on anti-corruption through qualitative study of the overall education framework within which teachers are working with the status of corruption, including their factors such as curricula, school activities and the overall framework within which they experience this education. The project will support discourse on the topics of corruption in education among teachers, government institutions and students as a means to discussion how education can help prevent corruption. Finally the project will provide its recommendations to the relevant public institutions will raise awareness and advocate on the need and means to better address this issue.

					Albania has experienced sustained economic growth over the past twenty years, but increasing levels of corruption are putting the progress at risk. This project aims to fight economic corruption by reporting on the situation of illegal businesses in Diber region and enabling the citizens, media, employees and other stakeholders to hold them accountable for their activity.
40 ACDPAO-Delphin	Expanding corruption- engaging the private sector in the fight against corruption for the sustainable economic development in Diber Region	\$23,502			
41 IDRA	Corruption in Albania: Perceptions and Experiences, 2015	\$23,400			IDRA is proposing to conduct "Corruption perception and Experiences Survey" whose main aim will be to re-introduce evidence-based discussions on corruption issues in Albania. Given the over change of government in 2013 and the special focus on anti-corruption reforms expected in the government, the public survey will provide data about public perceptions and experiences with the phenomenon and it will serve these basis of perception with the previous surveys conducted by IDRA from 2006 to 2010. The survey would provide much needed evidence in a heated political debate about corruption.
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NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION	NAME OF THE PROJECT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	PROJECT EXEC. SUMMARY	PROJECT EXEC. SUMMARY
1 ALBANIAN INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL INNOVATION (AISII)	ENHANCING THE ROLE OF MEDIA IN PROMOTING THE WOMEN AND GIRLS PARTICIPATION IN POLITICS AND DECISION MAKING	\$ 25,500	Women seem to be invisible when it comes to public roles that involve making important decisions. This because of the stereotyped image women receive through mass media. With the aim to promote gender balanced participation in decision-making, the Albanian Institute for Social Innovation proposes this initiative to raise awareness within and through media.	
2 Albanian Forum for Alliance of Civilizations (AFALC)	Education for Tolerance	\$ 20,450	Education for Tolerance seeks to enhance literacy quality for religion issues, reducing stereotypes and prejudices content of textbooks, with the aim to improve religious understanding and educating young people with the spirit of tolerance in living in a multi-religious society. Moreover, the project will establish a good practice of listing curricula developers and religious scholars to consult religious text contents that are inappropriate, inaccurate and fuel discrimination and prejudices. The group of experts will be established that will come out with an up to date report regard religious coverage and set a framework of references and religious concept standards, used in different subject of primary and secondary education. The recommendations and findings of the project will be of an primary importance not only in terms of awareness raising but also will assist curriculum writers in planning for future revisions of textbooks and giving accurate information regard the religious issues. More specifically, the project will give a positive contribution in establishing an appropriate education standard that is able to react against information, terminology or concepts that have prejudice, stereotype content regard religion treatment.	
3 Albania Policy Center - APC	Empowering Women in the Albanian Parliament and Municipal Assemblies by Strengthening and Increasing the Capacities of Women Alliance in the Albanian Parliament (AGD)	\$ 23,910	The consultancy work that the Albanian Policy Center will provide for the Women Alliance in the Parliament will give AGD the opportunity to empower itself and become more active in politics, leadership and make a difference in the consensus reaching process and cross party communication and cooperation of the Albanian political life. By offering advice and strengthening capacities for this newly established parliamentary body, APC will provide direct consultation to AGD, drafting an annual detailed agenda, technical assistance, fund allocation, sharing experiences and bolstering communication with other sibling women alliances in Albania and in the world as well as set a new coordinating section that will directly liaise AGD to the women in municipal councils in Albania and civil society members that work on gender issues.	
4 BIRD Institute (Bariet) Institute for Research and Development	Young Women Entrepreneurship and Empowerment Opportunity for Them	\$ 17,940	Young women are therefore forming an increasingly significant group of entrepreneurs contributing to employment and economic development. Nowadays the women continue to face barriers to entrepreneurial activities. In order to benefit fully from the female potential for entrepreneurship much more have to be done to ensure the best possible framework to support women's innovative business ideas and business running. The project will support and promote women involvement and their active participation by providing flexible space, easier access to equipment and/or technical assistance, to women entrepreneurship from the early stage to the mature one. It will be realized through the incubator business which will provide idea development, advising, capacity and talent promotion, entrepreneurial capacity building regardless of sex, racial, ethnic, cultural and religious diversity, disability, age, or sexual orientation. The incubation process that will be used tends to take place whenever there is a need to support entrepreneurs in developing their own business. Incubators addressing innovation combine the functions of innovation based business incubators and creative workshops in order to help and stimulate innovative ideas and to support their commercialization.	
5 The future of the environment begins at us.	'ALPIN' Environment Association Topoja	\$ 9,790	The project will be conducted in Topoja district, during this project will develop the following activities: 1. Creating environmental groups in 15 schools in Topoja district; 2. Practical activities for cleaning and protecting the environment in the city of G. Cup.	

6 TIES-center of services and psychosocial Education	Empowering the Rights of Children with Disabilities in Inclusive Education	\$14,720	Children with disabilities and their families continue experience barriers to the enjoyment of their basic human rights and to their inclusion in society. Their capabilities are underutilized and their needs are given low priority. The overall project goal is to increase awareness on human rights of children with disabilities towards inclusive education among their parents and other community members and educators that involve children, teaching staff, community leaders and professionals who work in psycho-social services and to enable collaboration between institutions that are responsible for the implementation and monitoring of the right of children with disabilities under the project will ensure equal access to quality education and care for all children, especially in their early years will lead to best practices of participation when it comes to children with disabilities, and will serve as a best practice exercise to promote Human Rights of Children with autism	
7 National Association of Education for Life	Women's Empowerment Initiative of The National Association of Education for Life Empowering the social and economic capacities of minority women through education information on their human and legal rights, and increasing their ability to respond into society	23,000	The project aims to empower the capacity of women belonging to Roma and Egyptian minority communities, through informing, training, and providing them in human and women's rights education and advocacy activities, helping them to better access services in the community and increase their professional skills. During the several years of SHCE's experience on working with these communities, it has been observed that Roma and Egyptian women possess a very low level of information regarding their rights as women or as human beings. Their level of awareness on Rights based issues is very low and they have little or no access to decision making processes regarding their rights. The proposed project will empower this target of vulnerable women to ensure a higher level of participation in rights-based activities for Roma and Egyptian women	
8 "Autista" Local Economical Development Agency, Vojna Region.	Women's Economic Empowerment in Ohrid area	22,000	The project will tackle the status of a valorization of local resources along with a women's empowerment in economic activities and cooperation among the women's groups, local authorities and local businesses in Vojna region (PPF).	
9 Rights - Vojna Region, Peshkov	Reduction of violence against women and girls in Ohrid region through information and sensitization of women, structures and communities	17,850	The project aims to support women and the whole community on increasing the level of information and awareness and as well in understanding concrete initiatives for changing the situation in regards to violence against them. The project aims to address the problem of domestic violence in the family and violence against women as an important issue also to the local communities. However in our work of now, we have noticed a lot of cases where the women and families change their attitude and starting by reducing domestic violence within the family, but at the same time these cases face the community, it is evident they are still facing the life of the project because they are not being heard. The project aims to support the women and families to start their own life of the project and finally of the life and girl. As there are positive examples of women efforts to improve their situation in the family and community, we think that the intervention for information and awareness of women and communities is a necessary	
10 (CDRW) Center for Development of Rural Women	To increase the awareness of the rural community, especially women victims of domestic violence to cooperate with the network of the responsible authorities on communication and referral cases of domestic violence at local level, through using the social listening show "Stop violence" and an open discussion between community and actors.	16,440	The project aims to increase the level of awareness of the community in rural areas on considering domestic violence as an issue of a public concern and taking legal action according to the applicable laws. Through increasing the level of information of the project women on the social level, the project aims to prevent and protect from domestic violence, through increasing their level of knowledge on the responsible actors on addressing by in the local units of rural areas, through using demanding and performance as a tool of information, through opening a debate between community and the responsible actors as police, medical centers, the offices of the social services, the psychologists in the schools and non profitable organizations. The project will contribute in increasing the level of denunciation of domestic violence. The access of the project women to services near their dwelling place will be increased. The knowledge of the community on the work of actors, in local level how coordinated they act, which are the achievements and challenges will be strengthened.	

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17	Institute for Change and Leadership in Albania (ICLA)	High university access, low post university jobs - Policy Paper and research study on university female graduates in Albania Youth Employment to enhancing the economic development of the country. The project aims to improve female graduates and the inclusion of post-graduate employment in labour and development strategies	5	22,420	Through this project we intend to produce policy brief and social dialogue to inform the policy process of the new trends developing as a result of the general increase of student population and as a result of the female dominance in enrolment and graduation number by engaging young students in particular women and professional researchers and development practitioners to examine the correlation and causality between female higher education attainment and post-graduate about prospects. In order to do this we have selected the subsector of graduating female from social science majors in institutions of higher education in Albania (Tirana, Shkoder and Korca). This will produce education data and analysis of strategies and policies related to higher education, labour and youth employment and gender in the country leading to an understanding of the policy context and identifying key female scholars and policy makers that will be interviewed systematically in order to create a better understanding and (2) initiate policy dialogue and change process	
18	National Association of Social Workers, Albania	Promoting a culture of non-violence and tolerance in schools and society	5	22,300	Violence between peers (bullying) and conflicts in schools is becoming an increasing phenomenon in our society. These children and adolescents seems to be not interested for the subject and social issues. The curriculum focuses that provide education and community responsibility. The experience of the developed countries has shown that non-violent methods focused on children and adolescents as key persons for the dissemination of information and management of such violence, are more effective than the classic education and awareness methods provided from adults. The proposed Project aims to enhance the children/students, parents and school staff engagement in preventing activities that promote tolerance, non-violent behaviour among them, throughout peer education and empowerment	
19	Programa / Alternative Social Summaries - PASS	BOOSTING ECO ACTIVISM IN ALBANIA	5	12,310	This project aims to 1) Establish the School of Eco Activism in order to promote the active participation of youth in environmental action as a means of improving community lives. The School of Eco Activism will have an operative format, will be applied in the field, will operate alongside the community and the environmental problems (floods and will have a strong environmental action profile. 2) Creating of a nationwide campaign in both traditional and social media to promote eco activities as a means of improving community lives. The campaign will aim to inspire young people to be active in their community, promoting activities as role models in society and as a group work. 3) Establishing a network of eco activists across the country, providing them with training, resources and creating a young action network that is based on the concept of peer education. 4) Implementing a series of eco activities across the country. The eco activists will learn techniques for effective action, understanding core principles and practices through the action in the field. At the end of the project we aim at encouraging core action across the country, with the goal of promoting such issues and solving problems but also propose solutions	
20	New Epoch Center	Friendly Schools for everyone	5	6,650	Empowerment of the decision-making structures in 3 public high schools of Rier in order to make them fully functional through informing teachers, training, campaigns and activities as a promoting and developing movement to make schools the place where school-family-school partnership is based and the place that collaboratively works to encourage but potentials of every pupil Raising capacities of school headmasters in order to be able to front and solve different problems at schools such as school bullying, private courses with payment from teachers of the school, etc	
21	CONTAS - ALBANIA	Performance Evaluation of the Parliamentarians in Albania (PEPA)	5	23,430	Performance Evaluation of the Parliamentarians in Albania (PEPA) project is an initiative aiming to contribute in increasing transparency and accountability of the Members of the Parliament of Albania. The idea of PEPA is to report objectively on the performance of the Parliamentarians and share the outcome with Albanian constituents. The ongoing role that PEPA intends to play is by informing citizens on the performance of decision makers, therefore, the idea itself is of two folded importance as it will contribute increasing the transparency of institutions and enable citizens/constituents to find accountable their elected representatives	
22	Observatory for Children's Rights	Strengthening of youth centers to promote youth concerns and needs	5	22,624	The project "Strengthening of youth centers to promote youth concerns and needs" aims to strengthen the services offered by youth centers in fulfillment of identified needs of youth. Through this initiative, will be taken concrete steps towards improving the situation of the needs of young people in Korca (currently, which will be part of this project. Young people make up a significant and important part of the total population. Young people between 15-18 years old in Korca region are 10911 in total. Expressed in percentage, the age group 15-18 years old for young people in Korca region represent 7% of youth in this age group in all Albania. The high proportion of young people makes up in total population should be accompanied by concrete measures in view of their mobilization and empowerment. The project aims to push central and local authorities find resources to invest in youth because they are the present	

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44	European Centre	Assistance on better protection of the ECHR standards by the Albanian prosecutors	22,605	The European Centre (the Centre) has supported the implementation and dissemination of human rights standards in Albania since June 1999, and has implemented various projects in the areas of administrative, civil and criminal proceedings. Following the scrutiny of the criminal proceedings and declassification of the state institutions in Albania, and the international recommendations on the implementation of the standards in respect of human rights standards during the criminal trials, the Centre aims to expand its activities to provide assistance in the area of criminal justice in order to support the implementation and enforcement of knowledge on European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) standards for Albanian prosecutors, as the case-law of the ECtHR is obligatory for the national judiciary system. More specifically, the objective is to enhance the skills of the prosecutors with regard to the standards set by the latest case-law of the Strasbourg Court in respect of fair trial. The Centre aims to translate in Albanian, publish and distribute the "Human Rights Manual for Prosecutors" and organize 6 training workshops for all prosecutors working in the appellate level of the Albanian Criminal Court. The Centre will also design and national trainees for these workshops by publishing the "Human Rights Manual for Prosecutors". The Centre will provide further guidance for prosecution in their everyday work.
45	Center for Help Rehabilitation and Integration	Together against domestic violence (in the Burrel Municipality)	22,200	To prevent public harassment and urge citizens against domestic violence PROJECT OBJECTIVES: - To increase awareness and unite the community to say no to domestic violence. - Information and awareness among raped women and girls, about the legislation that protects them from violence - To increase the level of participation of women in local decision making - To increase the awareness of the local government, civil society, private businesses that operate in the municipality, to provide the promotion of women's employment and their vocational training - To increase awareness and educate young girls not to drop out of school because of female concepts that exist in some families - To establish responsible structures at the local level to support the victims, mitigate consequences and prevent domestic violence - To establish the police to react in time in any case of denunciation of violence by abused women
50	Center for Economic and Social Studies (CESS)	Engaging scientific diaspora in socio-economic reforms and democratization in Albania	15,475	The post-communist transition has cost Albania with a loss of high skilled human capital, which is continuing to migrate abroad. The potential to reach out to this scientific and other diaspora presents an opportunity to gain advantage by lacking the human and social capital of diaspora population. Indeed, the phenomenon can significantly contribute to the democratization and socio-economic development in the country. By completing the project, CESS seeks to raise the public awareness through radio and television to democratization and to create favourable environment for cooperation between diaspora and actions that can be undertaken to be offered to the Albanian government by sending a study to the relevant steps and actions that can be undertaken to encourage diaspora projects and investments in the country. Such institutions will be organized with representatives of universities and academic institutions to discuss the potential points of contact to discuss the terms of cooperation between scientific diaspora and these institutions. CESS will discuss with the members of parliament, different ministries and mass media to promote the outcome. This project enjoys the support of the Ministry of Education and Sports, the Ministry of Technology and the Ministry of Social Affairs and Youth, which is important for its success and continuity.
51	LEX FEMENDA (Lawn for law of the women)	LEX CAMBRIUS	22,160	The project aims to empower the public through enabling and raising awareness of the rights granted to the public by the legislation in force. Specifically, the project will improve access to justice of individuals by providing them qualitative legal information through a user friendly and well designed website. Additionally, the information contained in the website, shall be printed in leaflets which will be distributed to the public. Such information will assist the public to exercise their rights and therefore it will make possible for the public to hold accountable the public institutions. Additionally, this project aims to address another shortcoming of the Albanian justice educational system, i.e. the lack of practice oriented education. To this aim, the project will recruit students of the National School of Advocates (please see endorsement letter attached) to draft, update and update the legal information on the website. Such activity will contribute to enhancing the practical law study and to update the legal information on the website. Such activity will also contribute to the project and to the project's success since the legal information obtained to the public will be interpreted by the very broad legal framework in place and will be written in a simple and understandable language.
52	Fashion Garment in service of Women	Employment opportunity in support of vulnerable women in rural areas	14,500	Organizing support activities and training, for socio-economic empowerment, at the group of vulnerable women in rural areas. Kupa, with all the village near (according to the new territorial division), enabling and providing functional regional capacity to have handicrafting in cooperation by Municipality, Gender equality sector. After completed of the project, we will aim, continue actively working in the service of women in need.

53 Environment and Social Development		ARTISAN WOMAN		321,786	
54 Agenda Initiative	Assessment of Lurunga School's physical conditions and maintenance through participatory trained observer rating and as reflection on municipality budget. The lack of information regarding the budget process is one of the greatest difficulties of citizens to be actively engaged in the budget process. This project aims to help the local government authorities for spending public money. This project aims to support Lurunga municipality through an integrated top down approach to raise schools physical conditions through citizen's participation and to use the information to enhance the allocation of local budget. Through the participation of the Citizen Advisory Committee, Municipality of Lurunga and other stakeholders the physical assessment of schools will be done, with special focus on the minimal standards of health and safety of the end users.				

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