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ANA AND VLADÉ DIVAC FOUNDATION



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A NOTE FROM THE FOUNDERS



Ana i Vlade Divac

Last year we faced challenges we have never experienced before. Vulnerable citizens of Serbia became even more vulnerable, but with the help of our donors we managed to give back hope to the people, not only by giving them the necessary help, but also by devoting them love and attention for which they are very grateful. When we sum up the results we achieved last year, we are always proud of each particular day we spent striving to help people. We are also proud of having more and more supporters in our team every year, the supporters who have joined us in our mission to support all the ones who need help. For the Foundation, every year is a year of connecting people. Today, we have more than 700,000 philanthropists in our team who help by donating, volunteering, giving support and collaboration. There are no boundaries for us, our team is increasing day by day, and we are very proud that they showed us their trust in us by wanting to be the part of our team. Our task is to respect that trust and requite for it through stories about people who have been taken care of and communities which have become a better place to live. Every day we find a way to reach those who need help and those who want to be connected to such people through giving. By working together in unity we open new paths to which often return the very ones who once received help, but now return to give help.

2020

in numbers

60.000	people were supported through various humanitarian and development projects
2.200.000	dollars worth aid was provided to Serbian citizens
14.000	packages of food and hygiene products were distributed to the most vulnerable citizens in 16 Serbian municipalities
26.000	meals were provided for the users of soup kitchens
4	health care institutions received the necessary medical equipment and appliances
3	maternity hospitals received the necessary equipment
9	reception and asylum centers received the necessary personal hygiene products and toys for children
8	poor families received help for home rebuilding and furnishing
15	companies received support for business development
5	grants were awarded for support of female entrepreneurs
106	agricultural farms with more than 500 members started and developed their own business or agricultural production
74	civil society organizations and media were supported in order to help the most vulnerable fellow citizens, promote solidarity and the spirit of unity in the time of crisis
1	elementary school was equipped with sporting articles for physical education, computers and teaching aids
3	kindergartens, in Stajićevo, Vrnjačka Banja, and Smederevska Palanka obtained new playgrounds
151	scholarships were given to students from economically disadvantaged families
290	students enrolled IT Bootcamp – the retraining school for jobs in IT sector
1	animal shelter received the necessary funds

A NOTE FROM THE FOUNDATION'S DIRECTOR

In the year full of challenges, with the help of partners, donors and citizens, the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation channeled USD 2.2 million to help Serbian citizens.

We supported more than 60,000 people through various humanitarian and development projects, focusing thereat on reducing the aftermath of Covid-19 pandemic, but also rendering support to farmers, youth projects, economic empowerment of the most vulnerable groups and aid to entrepreneurs. The Foundation was particularly committed to strategic development of philanthropy and the promotion of the culture of giving.

Immediately after the state of emergency had been declared in Serbia, the Foundation directed its forces and capacities towards urgently providing humanitarian aid. We provided 14,000 packages of food and hygiene products for the most vulnerable citizens from 16 municipalities throughout Serbia and 26,000 meals for the users of soup kitchens. Four health institutions received the necessary medical equipment and appliances, and 9 reception and asylum centers received the necessary hygiene products and toys for children. Eight vulnerable families received help in home reconstruction and furnishing. The primary school "Radoš Tošić" in the village of Osaljane, Kosovo and Metohija, was equipped with sporting articles for physical education, computers and teaching aids, while kindergartens at Stajićevo, Vrnjacka Banja and Smederevska Palanka got new playgrounds. Through the Divac scholarship program, we awarded 151 student scholarships to students from the economically disadvantaged families.

Fifteen companies received support for business development, including five grants for female entrepreneurship. In collaboration with a group of US donors, IT Bootcamp — a non-profit school for retraining people for jobs in IT sector — continued working. In 2019, there



Ana Košel, Director of the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation

were 326 students attending the school free of charge, 45% of whom found work or internship in this field of work. Through support for agricultural development, 106 farms with more than 500 members started and developed their own businesses or agricultural production. The aid was provided in domestic animals, plants, agricultural mechanisms or building materials.

In 2020 we fought strongly for gender equality and labor rights, promoted sustainable development and equality for all, and empowered the youth so as to become more actively involved in social, economic and political life of the country and the region. We supported 74 civil society organizations and media in order to help the most vulnerable fellow citizens and promote solidarity and the spirit of unity in the time of crisis. Together with the partners from the Coalition for Giving, we worked on developing philanthropy. We opened the Philanthropy Museum at www.dobrocinitim.rs and 620 students from 9 elementary schools took classes in philanthropy. We launched an initiative to abolish VAT on food donations, which would lead to a significant increase in donations and poverty reduction, and contribute to environmental protection.

To conclude, we owe special gratitude to the media, without which the information about charity/giving would not reach the citizens. Thank you for more than 1,000 media reports in 2020. The Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation thanks all the partners in the country and the diaspora, media and donors for their trust and support over the past year!

1. Support in emergency situations and humanitarian aid

COVID-19 CRISIS

Immediately after the state of emergency had been declared in Serbia, the Foundation turned all its forces and capacities towards urgent provision of humanitarian aid to the most vulnerable citizens, local communities, civil society organizations and institutions..



Church soup kitchen

The first activity was realized very quickly and the users of the Church soup kitchen in Belgrade received the first 1,000 basic packages of hygiene products thanks to our longstanding diaspora donors, companies and citizens who allocated 1.6 million dinars for the monthly supply of kitchen users with hygiene products. Rendering aid for 2,600 users of the kitchen continued by providing more than 20,000 meals a month thanks to diaspora donors and humane citizens of Serbia who donated through payments and online donations.

In addition, ready-made meals for soup kitchen were provided, worth half a million dinars.

Aid packages for the most vulnerable ones

Serbian citizens living at the poverty line were particularly affected by 2020 crisis caused by coronavirus, and thus needed additional care and support. The Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, with valuable support from local organizations and associations, distributed more than 10,000 family packages with basic food and personal hygiene products worth 200,000 euros, to single-parent families, soup kitchen users, large families, residents of informal settlements and slums, Roma, families taking care of children or adults with disabilities, and street people. These packages were distributed to 15 cities in Serbia.



Šabac



Obrenovac



Vranje



Šabac



Vranje

Sacramento Kings donations

Players of the Sacramento Kings basketball club, Bogdan Bogdanović and Nemanja Bjelica, joined the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, and together with Vlade Divac and his wife Ana, **donated to health care institutions breathing support ventilators, medical-grade masks and other medical items worth 20.1 million dinars.**



Aid during pandemic

Volunteers - Divac scholarship holders

Every day the holders of scholarships awarded by the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, who **volunteer** every month for at least four hours, send their volunteer stories that they no longer measure by the hours invested in this activity, but by the gratitude of those whom they help. Young people, who are themselves from families in need of support, are helping the elderly citizens in different ways, giving free online classes to their peers, volunteering at the Red Cross, and some of them, with their families, sewn up protective masks for their fellow citizens.



Divac scholarship holder, volunteer

1. Support in emergency situations and humanitarian aid

Packages for 100 poorest families in mountain villages of Prokuplje

One hundred packages with basic food and hygiene products were distributed to families in mountain villages of Prokuplje municipality. The residents of Tovrljane village and the neighboring villages are more than 30km away from Prokuplje, and their living conditions are quite difficult, especially in winter time. Villages are predominantly inhabited by older population who are almost always in need of help. Tovrljane is one of the few mountain villages in Serbia where there is still a school. Teacher Marko Čikarić teaches 12 pupils from this village and several villages in the vicinity. Even though he himself travels from Prokuplje to Tovrljane every day, he helps pupils and their families by driving their children to their homes. Marko also helped us deliver the packages to everyone who needed them.

Aid to the residents of Kosovo and Metohija

Poverty is not the only problem which the families living in Kosovo and Metohija face. Insecurity, social exclusion, inability to access educational system and labor market are some of the problems that the population in Kosovo and Metohija is struggling with. These families experience the greatest hardships during winter – shortages of firewood, food, personal hygiene products...

Thanks to donor Anka Erne and the brotherhood of Visoki Dečani Monastery, the aid has reached the ones in greatest need of it. Twenty poorest families received firewood, furniture, household appliances, built-in kitchen elements. In addition, these families also received packages of food, clothing, footwear and personal hygiene products.



Tovrljane



Šarković family, Vidanje village near Klina, got cattle feed mixer



Osojane



Donations also reached "Radoš Tošić" primary school located in the village of Osojane. The school received teaching aids, computers, classroom items, bookshelves, classroom doors, clarinet, teaching aids for art classes, New Year's tree and decorations.



Aid to the residents of Kuršumljia district

Thanks to the donor Anka Erne, the three poorest households in the villages near Kuršumljiska Banja received donations which were used to repair houses, build auxiliary facilities, introduce electrical energy, furnish bathrooms. They and many other families were also provided with motor chainsaws for cutting trees, lawn mowing trimmers, wood stoves, farm machinery and flocks of sheep, herds of goats and other livestock. Apart from that, season holiday packages and clothes and footwear were also provided for children.



Kuršumljia, March 2020.



Vukičević family, Krtok village, got chainsaws

Support to the citizens in communities affected by migrant crisis in Serbia during Covid-19 crisis

From April to August 2020, more than 8,000 packages of hygiene products and water supplies and over 250 creative family sets were provided to 8 reception centers in Bujanovac, Belgrade, Šid, Kikinda, Vranje, Preševo, Sombor and Subotica as part of the project "Support to the citizens in communities affected by the migrant crisis in Serbia during Covid-19 crisis". In addition, three volunteers from the Divac Foundation – holders of Divac scholarships – organized online workshops for users of reception centers for three months. As the children were spending a lot of time in closed camps without being able to get out, these online classes helped them improve their language skills, learn about Serbian history and exchange experience. The material was provided and sewing workshops were organized for sewing cotton masks in the three centers – Šid, Bujanovac and Krnjača. In collaboration with local organizations, more than 6,000 cotton masks were sewn up to be distributed to the users of facilities of reception centers, local residents and organizations.

The project was organized with the support of Open Society Foundations.



Krnjača reception center, sewing masks for the users of center facilities and for other local associations and their users

Individual donors again showed tremendous solidarity in 2020 .

The Foundation cooperates with a large number of individuals across the country and the diaspora. Last year a large number of donations was earmarked for the support of single-parent families in Belgrade. Many individuals support us by sending SMSes to the number 2112 or through donors' boxes posted at the Belgrade Airport and at two malls: Plaza in Kragujevac and Ušće in Belgrade, while many donors choose to support Divac scholarships by executing online payments and payments to the accounts.



Scholarship holder Anastazija

Anka and David Erne take special place amongst friends of the Foundation, as they are the biggest individual donors to the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation. In 2020 thanks to their donations only, the Kruševac General Hospital restored its overly needed system for oxygen supply for 42 new hospital beds. They supported the total of 324 families over the entire year. Funded by them, the residents of Kuršumlijska Banja received 160 packages of food and basic provisions, 3 families obtained new bathrooms and stables, and the local Pavlina's bridge was opened. They provided funding for

50 scholarships for children across Serbia, as well as funding for more than 150 IT Bootcamp students. In addition, they provided aid to 20 families from Kosovo and Metohija, 56 pairs of shoes for children and adults, and aid in the form of herds of goats, flocks of sheep, drove of pigs, of farm machinery and greenhouses for 106 families from 11 municipalities throughout Serbia. Anka and David Erne funded monthly provision of 2,000 meals for the Church soup kitchen in Belgrade, and supported the Mladenovac animal rescue which takes care of more than 300 dogs and cats.

2 Economic empowerment and promoting self-employment

IT BOOTCAMP - non-profit school for retraining people for jobs in IT sector

IT Bootcamp is a non-profit, free of charge school for retraining people from other sectors for jobs in IT sector. The school started working in Belgrade in 2018. It was established by diaspora donors and is functioning in strategic cooperation with the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation. In 2019 the school expanded to the city of Niš, and in 2020 to Novi Sad and Kosovo and Metohija. The courses offered by the school are created for motivated individuals who want to change their career paths and enter the IT sector, which is the fastest growing sector both in our country and the world. Enrollment includes quite a serious selection process consisting of several phases of testing logical thinking, candidate's readiness to learn as well as his/her motivation and perseverance. The best candidates get a chance for free schooling, but the selection continues during schooling. The candidates who fail to meet their obligations in time and fail to show an adequate level of knowledge in tests cannot complete the school program.



IT Bootcamp trainees

In 2020 IT Bootcamp had three cycles during which the following courses were offered: Software Testing (QA), Webpage Development (JS), and Webpage Development (PHP).

In the first two cycles, 246 trainees enrolled the school in Belgrade and Niš, of whom 186 successfully completed the school program and 87 got jobs or internship opportunity in the sector (46.77%). As some of the trainees who completed the program end-2019 were hired in 2020, the total number of trainees who got their employment opportunity during 2020 – is 120. During the third cycle, which began in September 2020, the school expanded its work to two other loca-

tions: Kosovo and Metohija and Novi Sad. In this cycle, at all four locations, the school was enrolled by another 158 trainees who completed their classes in February 2021. The results of their success will be included in the next report.

We are proud of the school's work up to now and are looking forward to having future generations. Thank you all for helping us make good results. We hope you will be with us in the future too.

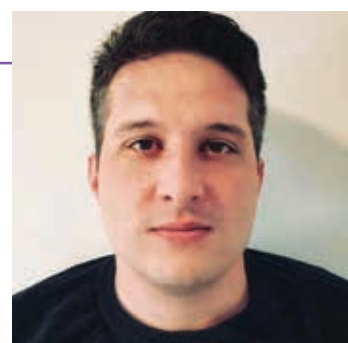


Diploma awarding ceremony to successful trainees of IT Bootcamp

Denis Kučević, Belgrade, Webpage Development (JS)

After the course: got the job at the company Spark Analytics LTD

"The course was very intense from the very beginning, that is from the initial testing to the end, but with regular work and commitment it all went quite easy. Not only have I been able to gain knowledge and new experience, but also I was surrounded by people who shared my ambition and desire for success, and I have made a lot of new friends. The lecturers were very committed to teaching us and devoted a lot of time to our development, even outside of school."



Miljana Petrović, Niš, Software Testing (QA)

After course: got the job at the company HTEC

"For me, 2020 was the year of change. In January, I began my education for QA tester and just four months later I got the chance to work full-time as a junior QA engineer at the IT company HTEC. It's amazing, isn't it? IT Bootcamp is a life-changing experience for me and I am very grateful for everything."



“I AM BRAVE”

IKEA Serbia and the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation have been supporting entrepreneurs throughout Serbia for two years already. The goal of the project “I AM BRAVE” is the economic empowerment of women in Serbia through the support to small businesses started and/or led by women.

Through the competition “I AM BRAVE”, conducted by the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation and IKEA Srbija, **five female entrepreneurs** were selected to receive financial, expert and educational support worth **3 million dinars** for business development. These entrepreneurs used the support to obtain tools for work, introduce new products or certify the production, to open new jobs or preserve the old ones.

In addition, all the awarded initiatives promote a responsible attitude towards health and nature.

Thus the company Spelta Jevtić from Bačko Gradište improved the production of spelt filo dough, the bakery Ključ from Belgrade introduced a brand-new line of healthy fruit bars, and the company Slatka jesen from Požega created innovative fruit spreads for salty dishes. Thanks to this support, the firm Nanin recept s juga started producing cold-squeezed wild blueberry juices, and the Real Red Raspberry from Bečej certified its premium raspberry products so as to improve access to foreign markets.

EQUAL – Towards closing the gender gap in balancing professional and private lives of employees

The project began in January 2020 in cooperation with the Cabinet of Minister without Portfolio, in charge of demography and population policy, with financial support from the European Union through the program “Rights, Equality and Citizenship (2014-2020)”.



Tina Aničić, Slavica Đukić Dejanović, Ana Košel, Mateja Norčić Štamcar

The project aims to reach balance between work and family life and promote gender equality via:

- Informing employees through manuals and debates about their rights in the field of work
- Informing employers through manuals, debates and training about the benefits provided by the law for the employment of women and vulnerable groups
- Including stakeholders from local self-governments into the process of resolving this matter
- Conducting research of needs regarding work and life balance

Strengthening gender equality in Serbia

The project is being implemented by the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation and the Center for Democracy Foundation under the auspices of the Balkan Trust for Democracy and the Embassy of the Kingdom of Norway. The project is aimed at increasing awareness and knowledge of Chapter 23 and the process of further alignment with EU Acquis on the position of women in Serbia and working rights in order to achieve gender equality.



Gender equality improvement

2. Economic empowerment and promoting self-employment

Representatives of local self-government, civil sector, economic sector and media from three counties participated in the project: South Bačka County – Sremski Karlovci, Bečej, Bačka Palanka; Zlatibor County - Požega, Arilje, Užice and Pčinja County - Vranje, Vladičin Han, Surdulica.

1. 90 media and civil sector representatives completed **the training on anti-discriminatory reporting and gender equality**.

“Even though I intended to give up my personal fight in the clear case of my discrimination, now I decided not to! I will strive even more to fight against gender discrimination” one of the trainees said.

2. **DocTalk** – Podcast about labor rights of employees and employers **10 episodes**, more than 160,000 views of podcast and more than 30 questions posed to professor Urdarević, an expert for labor rights. As many as 34 candidates enrolled Master program dedicated to the field of labor law at the Faculty of Law, University of Kragujevac, and half of them cited podcast and professor Urdarević as an incentive to become interested in labor law.

3. **Street activities** - 9 local associations from Sremski Karlovci, Bečej, Bačka Palanka, Požega, Arilje, Užice, Vranje, Vladičin Han and Surdulica received support and stimulation for further work on raising awareness of the importance of gender equality and women's labor rights.

Citizens of Požega supported our project during street activities and said in a survey:

“*In my opinion, fighting for gender equality is a way towards creating opportunities for an equal contribution of both men and women to the progress of the society. This topic is important, although such topics don't seem to be in focus now. It is important to talk about this, especially in a society trapped in myths, with insufficient clarity about citizens' possibilities and rights*”

Miroslav, 61, a worker

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“*Gender equality enables women to do jobs that are normally regarded as men's and thus they are in the position to earn more. Gender equality, as this collocation says, is being equal in getting chances*”

Mirjana, 35, an activist

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Two analyses were made - Perspectives gender-wise in local employment policies and Measures against discrimination of women in labor and employment. Nine selected local self-government units introduced a gender component to their local action plans, which contributed to the introduction of equal opportunity policies and better use of female resources for development.

Round table discussions on labor law - 300 participants from business and civil sectors discussed various topics in the area of labor law and discrimination at work. An opportunity was given to start discussion and cooperation between public sector, civil sector, local business associations, the Serbian Chamber of Commerce, regional Chambers of Commerce, and foreign Chambers of Commerce and associations that will be further included in addressing labor rights challenges, especially at the time of covid pandemics.

Divac agricultural funds

Investing in agriculture does not provide livelihood just for those who are farmers. It is an investment for the society as a whole. In 2020 the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation continued supporting agriculture development in order to economically empower the families who want to live and stay in the countryside. Through the support for the development of agriculture in rural areas, within the Divac agricultural funds program, 82 agricultural households with more than 450 family members started and developed their own businesses or agricultural production. Support has been provided in herds/flocks of domestic animals (goats, sheep, cows and other domestic animals), beehives and beekeeper equipment, greenhouses, agricultural machinery, milking machines, equipment and construction materials.



Jovanović family



Bošković family



Užice, handling beehives

Empowering young farmers

Since 2018 the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation along with its partners has been conducting the project of support to young farmers – the pupils attending the final year of the secondary agricultural schools in Požarevac, Prokuplje and Požega.

The Divac Foundation recognized the need to be particularly supportive of and inspiring to young people to help them see their future in the countryside and be successful farmers. So far, the “Empowering young farmers” project has been implemented in four agricultural schools with the support of diaspora donors, local self-governments and international donors. The program is a partnership project of the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, agricultural schools, the towns of Požarevac, Užice and Prokuplje, as well as the municipalities of Požega, Gornji Milanovac, Žagubica, Ruma, Čajetina, Arilje and Nova Varoš.

The project aims to support young people who want to deal with agriculture and improve family property. All candidates attend lectures, get mentor support and develop an individual business plan. So far, more than 300 young people

have undergone training and 68 of them have received donations in equipment for work in the total amount of 10,566,000.00 dinars.

Aside from the donations, the significant element of this program is the training of young people on how to write a business plan and apply to other contests, thus obtaining incentives for the development of family farms. Talking with a large number of farmers led us to conclusion that they are not sufficiently skilled to complete forms for funding incentives, both at the local and at the national level. Furthermore, all users get advice on agricultural production development and economic efficiency, and get proposals for pursuing more profitable types of agricultural production. We particularly advise families to register the farms to young people, supporting them in their desire to stay in the country and deal with food production.

We always want to reward young people who have great ideas, so we provide them with donations worth on average 150,000 dinars to furnish the needs of their farms. Most of the time, we are supplying agricultural machinery, livestock, plants, greenhouses.



Support for youth employment in fruits and vegetables sector in Toplica district

The Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation is realizing this project with the aim to support the employment of young people in fruits and vegetables sector in Toplica district. The Kingdom of Norway also renders its support through the "Norway for You - Serbia" project.

The aim of the project is to improve the business environment, along with four municipalities in the Toplica district — Prokuplje, Blace, Žitoradja and Kuršumljia, by enabling financial and mentoring support for local businesses, which will make them sustainable and more competitive and able to employ more young people in the entire Toplica district.

The total value of the project "Support for youth employment in fruits and vegetables sector in Toplica district" is USD **100,742.00**



Active Roma employment measures implemented in the territory of Belgrade

The project of German development cooperation "Inclusion of Roma and other marginalized groups in the Republic of Serbia" is being implemented by the German Organization for International Cooperation along with the Cabinet of the Serbian Deputy Prime Minister, Prof. Zorana Mihajlović, PhD, who is also the Chairwoman of the Government's Coordination Body for Monitoring the Implementation of the Strategy for Social Inclusion of Roma in the Republic of Serbia for the period 2016-2025.

The project "Inclusion of Roma and other marginalized groups in the Republic of Serbia" established cooperation with the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, which, with the advisory and financial support from GIZ InR, is implementing the specific project "Implementation of active measures for Roma men and women employment in the territory of Belgrade". The project envisions implementation of active measures for Roma men and women and other marginalized groups, returnees under a readmission agreement:

- 1) measure of vocational training for getting qualification for jobs required at the labor market,
- 2) measure of vocational training for employment with a well-known employer, and
- 3) support for entrepreneurship development for members of the Roma community and other marginalized groups.

2. Economic empowerment and promoting self-employment

During the first months of the project, the Divac Foundation included a number of Roma organizations, MNRO, single parents, vulnerable youth groups and other groups difficult to be employed. During this project, candidates are given opportunities to get engaged and gain skills that will allow them to find jobs and improve the quality of life of their families.

Sara completed her hairdressing course, worked in beauty parlors and has now become the owner of her own hairdresser's: "Sara Komina", Bulevar Zorana Djindjića 16.

A donation in the form of hairdressing equipment, chairs, scissors, combs, hair driers and so on was distributed as part of our project "Implementation of active measures for Roma men and women employment in the territory of Belgrade".

According to the latest census, more than 147,000 members of the Roma national minority live in Serbia and are the most vulnerable part of the population. Nearly 90% of Roma are unemployed, and a quarter of them are without a day of schooling.



Sara Komina

3 Development of democracy and support to local communities

Divac scholarships

All children have dreams, but not equal chances of making their dreams come true. For a large number of children in Serbia, bad financial standing is one of the biggest obstacles for them to get their education and be able to pursue their careers — become physicians, managers, hair-dressers, cooks... Young people living in rural areas are in particular in difficult situation and they are not at the same starting position as their peers from larger towns due to distant location of their villages, underdeveloped infrastructure, poor transport connectivity and decreased possibility of getting access to new technologies. Children from vulnerable families are often forced to leave their carefree lives prematurely and enter the world of adults. All the children who receive student scholarships from the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation are making exceptional success in school, develop their talents in different areas, and also volunteer and help others in the community they live in.

Being aware that education is one of the most important conditions for quality life, they find this financial aid kind of opportunity not to realize their dreams overnight, but to realize them in the future, with the acquired knowledge and obtained diploma/grade. Our monthly scholarships don't just help the poorest children acquire better education, but also give chance to their families to redirect the minimum funds to solving some other problems such as treating sick family members, providing food, paying monthly bills and so on.



Scholarship holders Anastazija and Aleksandar with Vlade Divac

Anastazija Govedarica, 17

Belgrade, The Philological High School of Belgrade, Chinese language section

I'm Anastazija. I was born and raised in Herceg Novi.

In Belgrade, I discovered my passion for art, music and languages. I was practicing all kinds of sports: karate, volleyball, (Latino) dance, language classes, acting. I finished elementary music school and I know to play the piano. I am a member of the European Youth Parliament. I participated in many sessions as a delegate and recently as an official. Since I started high school, I've been regularly going to Petnica, I've been to a linguistics seminar, and now I'm attending anthropology seminar. I've dedicated myself to writing poetry since the final grade of primary school, when I won at the "Poetry Meetings" competition organized by the Rakovica municipality; until today, when my poems were printed in several international publication of poetry, where I used to be one of, if not the youngest represented authors.

From primary school period to date, I have also been competing in languages (Russian, English and Serbian) and literature. I won several municipality-level and city-level contests in languages as well as in reciting. I finished the elementary school as the best pupil of the year, and I was awarded Vuk Award. Further on in my life, I remained to be great high school student. When I was 11, my mother suddenly died. It all happened so abruptly, without warning, and it took me a long time to accept that reality. It also took me a long time to recover, but I have become more aware than ever of how fast time passes and how much we cannot control some things. My dad and I were left on our own. My mother's death affected my father greatly, primarily health-wise, as his health started to deteriorate. He was a cardiac and pulmonary patient. He spent the last two years of his life mostly in hospitals, staying there for several weeks, sometimes even longer than a month, three times fighting for life at intensive care unit. I was left alone at the time, and just a few people knew what was going on at the time. That's when I started appearing as an extra in all kinds of movies and shows, leaving afterwards my day's pay in the pharmacy for all the drugs that Dad needed.

The day after I turned 16 my father lost his final battle. My life changed once again, this time leaving me without anyone. I had to move out of the apartment we lived in, so I started living in the student dorm. My aunt became my guardian and my support. I became a scholarship holder of the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, which was a huge support for me both because of the scholarship itself and the feeling that I was not alone in everything and that I - once again - shouldn't give up. I was invited to speak at the regional conference "WE NEED MORE: Young People in Western Balkans and Turkey," I delivered my speech on the panel "Philanthropy in Serbia - Goodness is contagious". With Ana Divac, I was on the National Radio Television, where we were talking about Divac scholarships. I have rented an apartment in Karaburma with a roommate, after two years of permanent moving and traveling from Belgrade to Niš.

I plan to go to China after high school and study Chinese traditional medicine, or continue studying language, one step closer to realizing my dream of traveling the world one day.

Kristijan Stanković, 17

Novi Sad, High School for Construction "Mileva Marić - Ajnštajn"

My name is Christian and I live in Novi Sad. Life in Serbia, especially if you don't have two salaries or monthly income, isn't always easy and without worries. However, if your further life depends on having to get through somehow, the child cannot enjoy his/her education due to pressures and burden of failure on his back, which most often results in general failure (because people, however strong they may be, break down under too much pressure). That's why scholarships are a good thing, because you can relax a little. They've made that "burden" on my back a lot easier.

That's why I'm grateful to the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, because they simply make other people's lives better, mine too, they're inciting awareness of togetherness and mutual help.

They're encouraging us to move forward and find our place in the future, which I think is wonderful and commendable. Thank you immensely for your efforts to make life easier for children throughout Serbia.

I was very successful in many competitions both in Serbia and abroad, including 2019 Kangaroo without Borders competition, held under the auspices of the Serbian Mathematicians Society. It also took place simultaneously on the international level, and I was the highest ranked of all the champions and the third in the overall ranking.



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Mila Zdravković, 17

Niš, Medical School "Dr Milenko Hadžić"

I'm Mila, I'm 17 and I live in Niš. I managed to pursue my schooling thanks to my mother's (who's a nurse) salary only. "Fighters from birth" is the short description of my family. We never give up, and even though the first child in this family is seriously health-challenged (cerebral palsy), there are two of us more. My younger brother was born with a hypospadias, he managed to start walking, but he hasn't been operated yet because we are not in the position to afford such kind of surgery at the moment.

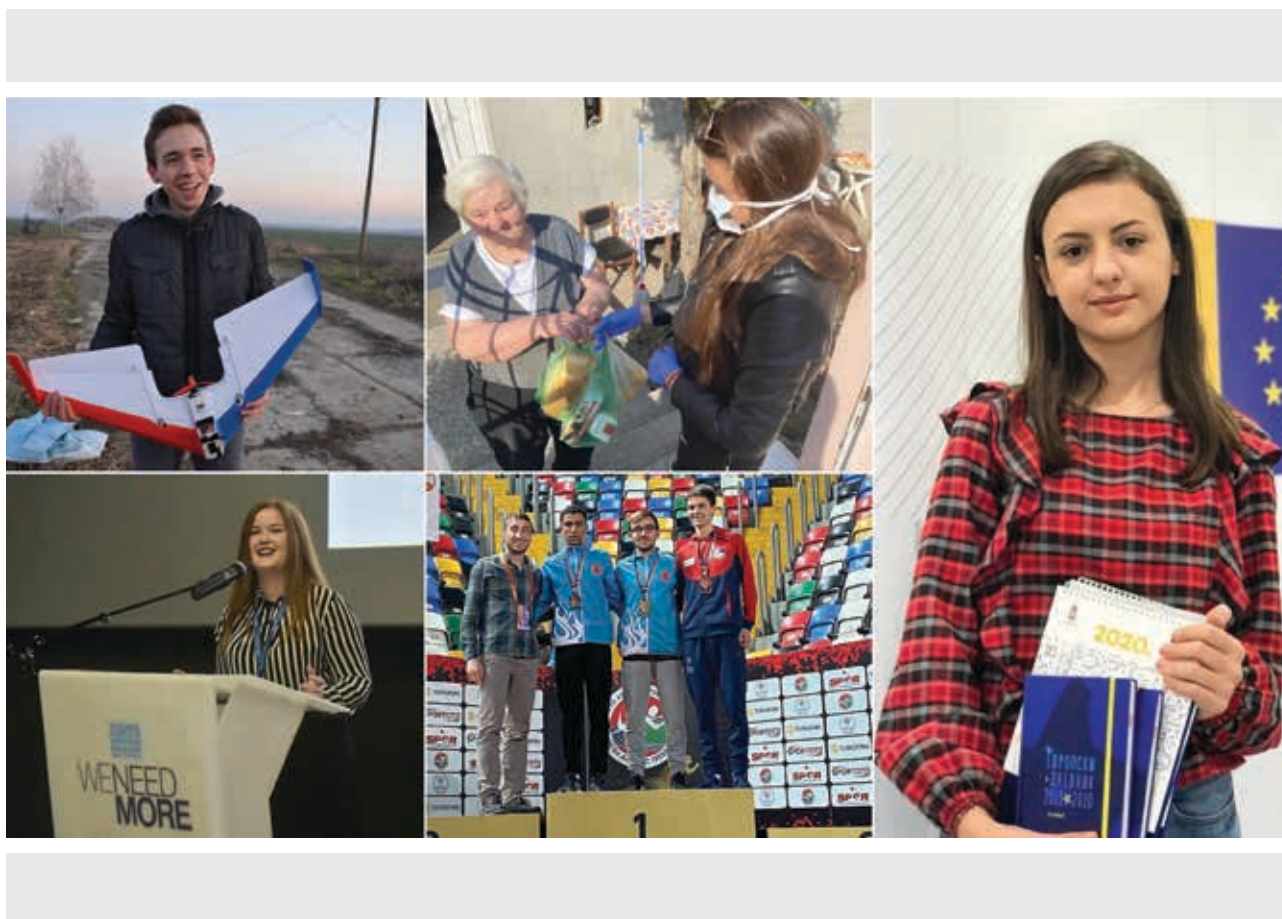
My dreams slowly began to become reality a few years ago, when, after a great success and a contest prize, I successfully enrolled the Medical School in Niš. During that period, I learned about the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation scholarships and decided to apply. I was really hoping, but I wasn't sure, because I knew I wasn't the only person who lived in bad conditions and needed help. When I was selected as the scholarship winner, I was the happiest person in the world.

My work paid off. Since then, I've invested all my efforts into my goals, I started learning languages, started several projects, participated in some gatherings, and became member of certain organizations – generally, I took further steps towards my goals, thanks to you. I regard as my biggest achievements the participation in Forest, the EU project of cross-border cooperation in forestry Bulgaria-Serbia in 2019 and getting the Certificate of the Award of the U.S. Embassy, Belgrade, Serbia in 2019 as well. Then the first place in the district biology contest and my team's winning the first place at the science festival "Nauk nije bauk" in 2019. I speak English and Turkish very well, and now I'm learning German. I also write poetry and participate in drama art.

The money I am getting through scholarship allows me to buy literature, dictionaries and gadgets for my research (microscope, watch glass, test tubes, microscope glass and so on). I also use the money to prepare for the university admission test. But, you know, it's not just about the money. When someone pulls you out of the water when you're sinking, when someone notices you, when you restore your faith in people... That feeling is amazing. You finally believe you're worth it. Now I am a third-time scholarship holder, and I am still trying to get ahead, investing myself fully in it.

*It means a lot to me, everything.
Thank you so much.*





Speedometers for pupils' safety

The Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation donated two speedometers that were installed next to schools in Mladenovac and Arilje, to stimulate observing safety measures for the protection of children in traffic.

The speedometers were placed next to the primary school "Stevan Čolovic" and the secondary school "Sveti Ahilje" in Arilje, and next to primary school "Sveti Sava" in Mladenovac. These schools are located near very busy streets and positioning of these speedometers aims at warning drivers to adjust their speed and pay attention to children's safety. This is part of the initiative that the Foundation is pursuing with the goal of creating better and safer conditions for children and youth to grow in Serbia.

The project is worth **912,000 dinars**.



Speedometer in Mladenovac

Voice a sound for your playground

While many kindergartens in Serbia are quite well equipped internally, they do not always have playgrounds and the belonging equipment for playing outside, which is very important for children's physical development and their motor skills. Therefore, playground articles were provided for kindergartens in Smederevska Palanka, Vrnjaska Banja and Stajićevo equipment to contribute to the healthy development of children.

During the kindergarten campaign in Serbia - "Voice a sound for your playground", by buying a Pampers product in DM stores one donates to Serbian kindergartens. A total of 10,000 euros has been raised for the kindergartens:

"Tašmajdan" in Smederevska Palanka
"Kolibri" in Vrnjačka Banja
"Stajićevo" at Stajićevo

Each of the kindergartens received the playground articles in order that the children be provided with better conditions for safe playing in the open.



Kindergarten in Smederevska Palanka

Donation to maternity hospitals in Serbia

For every pack of Pampers diapers bought at Lilly stores from April to June 2020, a donation was made to maternity hospitals in Belgrade, Kragujevac and Prokuplje — a total of 10,000 euros was donated. Every maternity hospital got the equipment they needed most. Obstetrics and gynecology clinic Narodni front in Belgrade is now richer for hand washing units, air conditioning units and other useful equipment. Obstetrics and gynecology clinic in Kragujevac needed air conditioning most, while the Obstetrics and gynecology clinic in Prokuplje strove to meet the needs of new moms at their hospital, which is why the donation was used to create a nicer and more pleasant environment for pregnant women's and nursing mothers' accommodation and stay at the clinic.



Obstetrics and gynecology clinic in Prokuplje

WB&T FOR EMPLOYOUTH - SUPPORT FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF YOUTH FROM SENSITIVE GROUPS

Youth in the Western Balkans and Turkey – WE NEED MORE

The Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, along with 19 youth organizations from Serbia, Montenegro, Albania, Northern Macedonia and Turkey, through the regional network of the Western Balkan Youth Hub and Turkey, during the past four years, has created the Youth Participation Index, which is used to collect data and monitor position of youth in the society. According to the findings, the Index notes that one of the biggest challenges in all these countries is the economic issue, that is, the issue of youth employment. On the other hand, the analysis indicates that the data on young people from sensitive groups are neither sufficiently nor consistently collected, which additionally aggravates their position at the labor market. In addition, most of these countries have a high NEET youth rate – which signifies young people who are neither employed nor in the educational system or in training. For that reason in 2020 the network launched the EmploYouth program, with the support of the European Commission, aimed at improving

employment policies in the Western Balkans and strengthening civil society organizations' capacity to pilot and promote innovative solutions for better employment of youth. As a part of this program, we have launched a NEET-working platform in Serbia to highlight the difficult position of young people from vulnerable groups in the labor market. In 2020, we published 7 surveys, organized 20 national events and gathered more than 500 representatives of organizations, institutions and businesses in order to launch dialog on the position of youth in the labor market.



H. E. Mr. Sem Fabrizi

Support for the population in communities affected by migrant crisis'

The project is created to render support to the communities most affected by the refugee crisis and to the local initiatives that improve the quality of life in these communities, that promote solidarity, tolerance and collaboration so as to create a better environment for joint living, for labor and growth, and include a large number of people and create room for co-operation between refugees and local residents. The project is being implemented with the support of Open Society Foundations.

In 2020 we supported 21 initiatives from Sombor, Šid and Obrenovac, with a total of **70,000 dollars**.

From Sombor:

- Citizens' association Duga for the project Dečiji kutak duga at Kolut
- Women's association Staparska ruža for the project Žensko stvaralaštvo – most povezivanja
- Citizens' association of horse lovers of West Bačka Sombor for the project Kuća nije tesna jer u srcu ima mesta
- NGO Ženska alternativa for the project Saradnjom protiv predrasuda – Možemo i mi
- The Red Cross of Sombor for the project Promena počinje sa tobom!
- Citizens' association Bodrog from Bački Monoštor for the project Ujedinjene boje
- Informal group Aktivator for the project Pokreni sve
- Informal group Studio Vincent for the project Univerzalni jezik boje

From Šid:

- Srem Development Center for the project Mladost ne zna za granice
- Children's Care Council for the project Deca deci
- Anti-diabetes association for the project Možemo i mi protiv šećerne bolesti
- Informal group Savesni građani – Ekologija Šid.

From Obrenovac:

- The association Žaoka for the project Dovedimo pozorišta u sela
- Cezar - Diversity center for the project Svi zajedno
- Strelac Mislodjin for the project Mislodjinska čitaonica
- STK Zvezda for the project Kutak za decu
- Informal group, Children's Youth Group Ljubinić for the project Kultura bez granica
- Informal group Eko patrola for the project Ekološka akcija čišćenja Orašca
- Informal group Volunteers of Obrenovac for the project International Volunteer Camp
- Informal group Carska kruna for the project Art Colony
- Informal group Project4 for the project Youth Advisors

During the Covid pandemic and border closures, organizations showed great solidarity and re-directed part of their funds to buy gloves, disinfectants, face masks and distribute them to the most vulnerable local population.

Realized projects:

Music classroom in a primary school at Dren
Youth corner and a library at Mislodjin
Children's corner in a primary school at Draževac
Mural painted on a primary school at Bački Monoštor
Mural painted within the Red Cross courtyard in Sombor

Renewed facilities:

Basketball and football courts in Obrenovac
Picnic area Vinogradi in Obrenovac
Playgrounds and parks in Orašac, Sombor and Šid cleaned
Furniture of Medical Centre in Šid

▶ Theatrical plays for children
in the villages near Obrenovac: **10**

▶ Renewed parks: : **4**

▶ Workshops
(inclusive, cultural, ecological,
on human rights, cuisine,
art, diabetes checks): : **72**

▶ Mobile library available
to locals in Sombor: **1**

▶ Summer classroom and
children's corner: **2**

In December 2020 an online Solidarity Festival was organized to involve all the organizations from the project, local associations and interested residents. As part of the Festival, MNRO from Šid also additionally organized an eco-workshop with its beneficiaries, the Sombor Red Cross organized a first aid demonstration, and cotton face-masks and other materials were distributed to the Festival participants.



UCitizens' association of horse lovers of West Bačka, Sombor, workshop

Solidarity above all

The Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation with the support of the Balkan Trust for Democracy supported, with a total of 3,700,000 dinars, 30 initiatives that helped communities express civil solidarity during the crisis in Serbia triggered by the coronavirus.

By realizing the project, the beneficiaries of the funds promoted solidarity, encouraged others to actively engage in the community where they live and help the most vulnerable citizens in this crisis.

During the two contests that we organized, we received more than 300 applications from associations, media and informal citizens' groups,

which show great needs of Serbian population during the pandemic, but also great creativity and activity of civil society.

“We were amazed at the creativity of the ideas presented at the contests and at the desire of the citizens to become involved in different local activities. From the importance of preserving mental and physical health, through supporting the most vulnerable groups across Serbia, to looking into the future and economic recovery, this competition showed that there are no limits to human solidarity and that caring for others is not a forgotten value in our society,” said Jelena Rakić, project manager.



Sustainable Development Goals for All

The Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, along with five civil society organizations, has joined the process of design and realization of a platform for social dialog about the Agenda 2030 of the United Nations and about sustainable development goals.

The platform aims to establish broad discussion among the most important non-state actors in Serbia, such as civil society, corporate sector, academic and research community, professional associations, media and citizens, on bringing Serbia's development priorities in line with the goals of the sustainable development defined in the Agenda 2030.

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The platform is structured in three thematic pillars that correspond to three dimensions of sustainable development: social, economic and environmental.

In the first year, we have achieved this:

- We have established good cooperation and partnership with the administration of the city of Užice, but not only with the city administration but with the entire community. We have identified the problems and possible solutions through the processes of inclusion. In this regard, in cooperation with the city administration, we organized two roundtables, one regional and one annual conference at which representatives of the public, civil and business sectors discussed recommendations for local and national level policies that can improve the lives of citizens and that fit in the framework in which the social pillar partners operate..
- As part of our cooperation with the civil sector in Zlatibor District, we have chosen five local organizations that we have worked with so as to increase their capacities to combine key actors and activities in which they work in a broader concept of sustainable development. As a result, five campaigns focused on achieving sustainable development goals as much as possible in the local community have been realized. The local media were also focus of our interest as partners in rendering timely and accurate information to the citizens. Therefore, a training session was organized for six journalists of Zlatibor District to affirm the goals of sustainable development in the area of social inclusion (poverty reduction, reduction of the number of hungry people, health and well-being for all, education and gender equality).
- All of our activities, experiences and knowledge have been systematized in the knowledge base located at the web platform sdgsforall.rs, which is a contribution to the idea that it should generally be more spoken, read or written about sustainable development. In this context, we organized five webinars on topics related to some of the sustainable development targets in the social inclusion area, which can also be found at the "Sustainable Development for All" platform.



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PROJECT FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF FRAMEWORK FOR GIVING

The project for the improvement of framework for giving is funded by the US Agency for International Development USAID and is being implemented by the Coalition for Giving, led by the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation. The Coalition for giving also includes Trag Foundation, Catalyst Balkans, SMART Kolektiv, Serbian Philanthropy Forum, Forum for Responsible Business and Serbian Chamber of Commerce..

The objectives of the Project for the Improvement of the Framework for Giving are::

1. Strengthening of philanthropic infrastructure that can contribute to sustainable growth of philanthropic donations and the development of intersectoral partnerships
2. Improvement of legal framework for the development of stimulating and transparent giving by individuals and companies
3. Promotion of charity, culture of giving and transparency amongst male and female citizens of the Republic of Serbia, companies, diaspora and non-profit organizations.

In a challenging year marked by the coronavirus pandemic, the Ana Foundation and Vlade Divac Foundation, along with partners from the Coalition for Giving, continued their work on proposals for upgrading the legislative framework, including numerous proposals during the pandemic and emergency state that lasted in Serbia from March 15 to May 6 2020.

On March 30 2020, the Coalition for Giving sent a proposal for measures to the Government of the Republic of Serbia and the Council for Philanthropy, chaired by the Prime Minister, and whose member the Coalition is, to encourage more donations and enable more efficient aid distribution to the most vulnerable population.

The proposed measures envisioned the establishment of a working body at the Council of Philanthropy for coordination of civil society, the establishment of a Compensation Fund for the reimbursement of VAT to non-profit organiza-

tions, and the temporary abolishment of VAT on food donations. The Coalition also recommended both the elimination of bank fees and the designated accounts of non-profit organizations, as well as the provision of licenses for movement of employees in non-profit organizations, so that they can continue providing field aid without hindrance. Furthermore, it proposed the introduction of PayPal donations, that is, enabling both our citizens and foreign citizens to quickly and simply donate through these platforms to the Republic of Serbia and to domestic non-profit organizations. The Coalition also noted that it was necessary to promote more the Instructions to Donor for Tax Relief, drafted by the Tax Authority at the recommendation of the Coalition and the Council for Philanthropy, which provides information to companies on how they can achieve a partial reduction in the profit tax, thus spurring donations.

The measure to introduce VAT exemptions, which the Government of the Republic of Serbia presented as part of the package of economic measures and adopted on April 10, 2020, referred only to state institutions and donors which are in the VAT system. But this measure did not

include a number of organizations, as well as donation recipients, such as the Red Cross and the Food Bank, which distribute donated food, medicine, drugs, medical equipment, i.e. all the necessary supplies and equipment that they do not produce.



Philanthropy Festival

The Third Festival of Philanthropy, which lasted for six days (from June 29 to July 5 2020) and was realized via online platform dobrocinitim.rs and Facebook and Instagram profiles of Dobrocinitim, was attended more than 170,000 citizens from all over Serbia.

Sixty-five representatives of companies, organizations and media showed their knowledge of general and philanthropic culture in the Philanthropic Quiz, which opened the Festival. Participants of the Festival had the opportunity to become acquainted with biographies of benefactors from Serbia's rich philanthropic history, enjoy a humanitarian concert organized by the Mitzy Magazine and create a Charity Lexicon, leaving comments on social networks. By collecting plastic corks and sharing photos of bottle caps on social networks as part of the "Čep za henedikep" (Bottle Cap for Handicapped) action, citizens directly helped that the society should take notice of the opportunity to donate bottle caps to help people with disabilities.

During the Festival and through 10 educational videos, the visitors were virtually acquainted with Serbian endowments and endowers, such as Galerija Matice srpske and Ilija Kolarac Foundation. On the last day of the Festival, citizens were invited to engage in humanitarian action by selecting the activity they want to support thus contributing individually to making the culture of giving our habit. The Festival closed with performances for children of the Kotor Festival of Theaters for Children "How great people grow" and the Puls Theater from Lazarevac "Marko Kraljevic and Musa Kesedžija".



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Muzej filantropije

National Day of Giving

On October 9, 2020 the Serbian Philanthropic Forum and the Coalition for Giving marked, with the support of USAID, the 3rd National Day of Giving – established in 2018 under the auspices of the Council for Philanthropy of Prime Minister Ana Brnabić. The National Day of Giving was marked by the slogan “Serbia without barriers”, and was dedicated to people with disabilities, i.e. to the struggle for full accessibility, through the actions to eliminate obstacles and build an infrastructure that would allow access to information and movement of both persons with disabilities and elderly persons, mothers with children and all citizens. As one part of the action marking this year’s National Day of Giving, 450,000 dinars were raised to purchase equipment for the Video Relay Center of the Serbian National Center for Sign Language Interpreting, which will make possible that the support be available to deaf and hearing-impaired individuals 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Center enables people who are deaf and hearing-impaired and use sign language to communicate to communicate with each other and with hearing people in real time. By improving the existing resources and the capacities of the Video Relay Center within the Belgrade City Deaf Association, will make their services available to all deaf and hearing-impaired people from all Serbia, as well as to the people from the region and abroad using Serbian Sign Language (SSL) and need SSL interpreting so as to communicate with people in Serbia. The period from September 9 to October 9 was marked as the Month of Accessibility, which was focused on raising awareness of the topic of accessibility in Serbia, through panels and other activities



On the occasion of National Day of Giving, the Coalition for Giving, along with the B92 Fund, presented 59 awards to donors for their assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic, and 5 awards to donors helping in the campaign Serbia without Barriers. The Coalition also honored the media that contributed to the overall promotion of philanthropy in Serbia.

Before the onset of pandemic, and as a part of activities of the National Day of Giving, nearly 850,000 dinars were raised for the adaptation of a pool in Šabac for disabled persons. One of the special contributors to this campaign Serbia without Barriers was Embassy of the Sovereign Order of Malta. The Embassy donated 34,000 euros so that the Neurosurgery Clinic could be provided with an instrument used for a medical intervention – an operational selective dorsal rhizotomy, necessary for patients with cerebral palsy.

Thus, the total amount of money raised on this year’s National Day of Giving **totals 5.3 million dinars.**

Reports

Within the previous period, the Coalition for Giving has conducted the following research and released the following reports:

1. Annual Charity Report of 2019 (Catalyst Balkans and Trag Foundation)
2. Better business for a better society - analysis of the investments of companies in the local community (Forum for Responsible Business and Smart Collective)
3. Serbia donates to the non-profit sector — the 2019 report on nonprofit sector contributions (Trag Foundation and Catalyst Balkans)

Analyzes and proposals for upgrading the legal framework

In 2020, the Coalition for Giving and the Forum for Responsible Business executed two analyses:

1. Cost-benefit analysis and benefits from establishing VAT- exempt category for food donations in Serbia
2. Analysis of VAT impact on nonprofit activity.

Proposal to abolish VAT for food donations

According to the results of cost-benefit analysis in case of VAT exemption for food donations in Serbia, food donations would increase by 160 million dinars and would total nearly 700 million dinars per year, which could provide more than 1.2 million additional meals per year in soup kitchens (when calculated in numbers).

On 23 November 2020 the members of the Coalition for Giving submitted proposal to the Ministry of Finance to make VAT exemptions for food donations nearing their expiry term through the new Draft Law on Amendments of and Supplements to the VAT Law. This proposal was supported by both the Serbian Chamber of Commerce and the City of Belgrade. According to the September and October 2020 survey, 88% of Serbian population supports this proposal as well.

The proposal was made on the basis of a positive European practice and the Directives of the European Union. Twenty out of the 27 EU member states do not charge VAT on donated food. Fur-

thermore, UN Food and Agriculture Agency data show that the by-products of food destruction are one of the biggest air pollutants, participating with 8% in the global greenhouse gas emissions.

According to the 2018 data, nearly 500,000 people in Serbia are unable to meet basic life necessities. Through this amendment to the VAT Law, companies would create the possibility of donating food worth several hundreds of thousands of euros to the most vulnerable population in Serbia and would directly impact the fulfillment of goals of sustainable development of the United Nations, to which the Republic of Serbia has committed.

Abolition of bank fees for humanitarian payments

After citizens' pointed out the problem of bank fees charges on donations, the Coalition for Giving along with the Financial Institutions Association of the Serbian Chamber of Commerce, concluded – following a series of consultative meetings with the representatives of banks and organizations – that a systemic solution could be to establish a Register of accounts of associations/organizations that are recipients of donations and that meet certain criteria regarding their purpose, length of function-

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ing and transparency of operations. The Financial Institutions Association of the Serbian Chamber of Commerce and the Coalition for Giving sent a proposal to the National Bank of Serbia to resolve the issue of charging fees for donations.

The Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation and the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development began pilot-education on philanthropy in 30 classes in 9 primary schools across Serbia — Mačvanska Mitrovica, Šid, Obrenovac, Požarevac, Vladičin Han, Niš, Belgrade, Novi Sad and Arandjelovac. For education purposes, the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation prepared a

workbook on philanthropy, titled "Know Philanthropy" in collaboration with the Creative Center. In spite of a very challenging year due to pandemic, the model of community card – Really Important Card expanded to 12 sale points in Belgrade, Pančevo, Požarevac and Petrovac na Mlavi. By using Really Important Card in the stores which are included in this project, citizens gain discounts for any subsequent purchasing. At the same time, sale points donate to local community fund for financing projects selected by citizens.

More information on www.stvarnovažna.rs.

Through the **"Celebrating philanthropy"** contest, 5 organizations which in their local communities promote philanthropy and the culture of giving were supported.

The supported organizations are:

1. My Bačka Palanka, Bačka Palanka
2. Center for social integrations, Vranje.
3. Children's World Association, Sremska Mitrovica
4. Patria Citizens' Association, Novi Sad
5. Refreshments Citizens' Association, Pirot



DobroČiniTim campaign, launched at the end of 2019 with the goal of promoting charity amongst male and female citizens and of providing education on philanthropy, history of philanthropy, giving opportunities, and the current legal framework for giving, continued in 2020, with special focus on the Festival of Philanthropy and the topic of food donations. Anyone who does good deeds, promotes them and inspires others can become part of DobroČiniTim. For more information on DobroČiniTim, please visit www.dobrocinitim.rs.

Catalyst Balkans has launched a platform <https://www.Neprofitne.rs> that is of great importance for companies which will simply be able to learn about the work of the associations, foundations and endowments and be informed of their manner of funding and fields of operation. For more information please consult <https://www.Neprofitne.rs>.

Catalyst Balkans, along with the Trag Foundation, made an Annual Report of Charities in 2019, which was presented in April 2020. According to the report, in 2019 citizens and companies in Serbia donated 34.5 million euros for general benefit. The estimated donated sum in 2019 is by 26.2% higher than the sum of donations of the previous year. This significant increase represents a really important improvement. The number of activities also increased, because a total of 3,037 charities was registered — almost 10% more than in 2018. See the entire report at <https://givingbalkans.org/srbija/biblioteka>.

The Coalition for Giving also organized several promotions to raise public awareness of charity: Our Belgrade (Smart Collective and Forum for Responsible Business), the Social Innovation Forum (Smart Kolektiv), and Virtus - Annual philanthropy awards (Trag Foundation).

Inflows by categories	RSD	USD
Individual donors	80,820,489.55	810,932.06
Corporate donors	20,713,493.47	207,833.88
Bilateral donors	162,262,868.62	1,628,104.00
Local governments	8,900,050.13	89,300.82
Other income	1,310,373.34	13,147.95
Total inflows:	274,007,275.12	2,749,318.71

Costs per program/project

1. SUPPORT IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS AND HUMANITARIAN AID

COVID-19 crisis	56,051,244.60	562,403.81
Aid to the poorest families in mountain villages of Prokuplje	1,657,057.51	16,626.49
Aid to the residents of Kuršumlja district	9,213,796.45	92,448.87
Renovating/furnishing of kindergartens, schools, maternity hospitals	2,862,364.00	28,720.27
	66,922,098.56	128,936.65

2. ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT AND PROMOTING SELF-EMPLOYMENT

IT BOOTCAMP - non-profit school for retraining people into IT sector	10,346,986.67	103,819.01
Support to female entrepreneurs	10,396,925.16	104,320.08
Divac agricultural funds	10,690,560.33	107,266.34
Empowerment of young farmers	4,379,015.68	43,937.92
Support to youth employment in fruits and vegetables sector in Toplica district	918,385.05	9,214.84
Implementing active measures for Roma employment in the territory of Belgrade	1,887,230.83	18,935.99
THE EQUAL - balancing professional and private lives of employees	5,838,288.58	58,579.89
	44,457,392.29	446,074.07

3. DEVELOPMENT OF DEMOCRACY AND SUPPORT TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES

Divac Scholarship program	10,800,000.00	108,364.43
Young people in Western Balkans and Turkey – WE NEED MORE	14,300,722.39	143,489.78
Support to the citizens in communities affected by migrant crisis in Serbia	12,194,799.50	122,359.49
Solidarity above all	2,466,147.36	24,744.69
Improvement of gender equality in serbia	12,932,804.22	129,764.44
Goals of sustainable development	10,197,605.73	102,320.16
	62,892,079.20	631,042.99

4. DEVELOPMENT OF PHILANTHROPY

Improvement of framework for giving	47,333,695.64	474,934.16
	47,333,695.64	474,934.16

OPERATING EXPENSES

SALARIES, RENT, OFFICE EXPENSES	2,505,447.75	25139.02
Total expenses:	224,110,713.44	2,277,389.68

Exchange rate on 31 Dec 2020, USD/RSD 99,6637



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