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INSPIRE TO ACTION

Inspire2Action is a five-year activity that supports civic activism and creates opportunities for increased citizen engagement in democratic processes. The activity will support inclusive and diversified citizen engagement in their communities and create space for meaningful citizen engagement in decision making and deliberative democracy. By infusing civil society with new voices and expanding the mobilization of resources for public good, this activity will contribute to USAID's overall goal of a more prosperous and democratic Serbia committed to European integration and self-reliance.

ACTIVITIES

- Provide resources and capacity building to civil society for active engagement in addressing issues affecting the lives of local communities through a \$5 million Community Grants Program.
- Increase public awareness regarding the importance of citizen engagement for the functioning of democracy.
- Create opportunities for citizens and civil society to directly participate in and influence the decision-making processes at various levels.
- Foster greater youth engagement in civil society and at the local community level through internships, fellowships, and challenge grants.
- Continue national advocacy efforts for Value Added Tax (VAT) reform to further expand giving for public good and continue expanding public support and engagement in various giving efforts.
- Provide rapid support to activists and community needs and challenges should they emerge.
- Support the empowerment and engagement of women in democracy promotion and community development.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Approximately 500 grants will be issued to support various community initiatives, including

- up to 100 grants focused on supporting women and youth activities.
- Foster greater interest and engagement of youth in the work and activities of civil society.
- Concrete legislative changes that facilitate giving for public good adopted and implemented.
- Existing mechanism for citizen engagement in decision making at the national and local level utilized and citizens' input considered during policy and decision-making processes.
- More than \$250 thousand USD in additional non-donor resources mobilized for public good.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PROJECT FUNDING

U.S. Agency for International Development
(USAID/Serbia)

WHERE WE WORK

Nationwide

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

Trag Foundation and consortium partners:
Center for Research Transparency and
Accountability (CRTA), National Youth
Council of Serbia (KOMS), Feminist Cultural
Festival (BeFem), Slavko Curuvija Foundation
(SCF), Serbian Philanthropy Forum (SPF)

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