

Project „101 reason to vote for woman“

Project coordinator: TPO (Transcultural Psychosocial Educational Foundation)

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Year of establishment: Since 2004, local team in BH works as and independent nongovernmental organisation under the name of TPO Foundation.

TPO Foundation was developed from HNI TPO organisation network with headquarters in Amsterdam, present in BH from 1998, implementing projects in the field of psychosocial care, education and reconciliation and dialogue among returnees population.

TPO Foundation mission is contribution to development of democratic civil society, increased awareness on gender equality, establishment of partnership ethics and promotion of accountability and responsibility in family, society and political life in BH, via implementation of educational, research, psychosocial and intercultural program activities.

TPO Foundation mission is implemented via several strategic areas:

Education, research, gender equity and equality, advocacy, capacity strengthening, and inter-cultural dialogue.

TPO Foundation directed its activities toward educational and research projects in cooperation with BH, European and USA universities.

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(Association for advancement of information science INFOHOUSE)**

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Year of establishment: December, 2003.

Citizens association INFOHOUSE is a non-for-profit organisation, established with the aim to strengthen and promote information society and human rights.

Main areas of work:

- active engagement of civil society and organisations in information society building process,
- Awareness raising on importance of information as a tool for democratic rights and obligations achievement,
- Newly established organisations' capacity building

Organisation closely cooperates with both individuals and other organisations on:

- Training and consulting on PR and media relations, information and communication technologies and organisational management
- implementation of ICT projects, activism and youth-education
- publishing scientific findings
- event organisation (seminars, conferences...)

ASSOCIATION INFOHOUSE IS A MEMBER OF BALCAN NETWORK FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, INFORMAL COALITION PQASSO – NGO QUALITY AND NETWORK „AGREEMENT +.“

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Main partner: Fondacija CURE (Cure Foundation)

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Year of establishment: 2004

Mission: Cure foundation advocates for B&H society that respects, and practises gender and sex equity and equality both in our country and abroad. Through feminist activism we are active in the area of education, research, art and culture, creating strong foundation for healthy B&H society.

Work of CURE is embedded in feminist and peace politics and politic of nonviolence.

Vission: CURE Foundation plans to open Multimedia Educational Resource Center for girls and women of BiH

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Foundation at the state level

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women human rights
- Education
- Research and publications
- Feminist activism
- Sex and/or gender based violence, violence against women

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

- Multimedia Educational Resource Centre for girls and women
- Reviving the Women movement, research on groups involved in women human rights in B&H
- PitchWise festival of women arts
- Global campaign 16 Days of Activism Against Gender and/or Sex Violence, activities are implemented since 2003. (November 25 – December 10)
- Know your rights and herstory, empower, and activate yourself! Two-year training program on feminist issues, designed for young women

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Local partners in „101 reason to vote for woman“

BANJA LUKA

Udružene žene Banja Luka (The United Women Banja Luka)

Contact person:

Natalija Petrić

Year of establishment: 1996

Mission: Strengthening and affirmation of women through advocacy and work on implementation of women's human rights.

Vision: Woman aware of her power, equal, respected, employed, and happy.

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Citizens association at the municipal level

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women human rights
- Legal service/assistance
- Psychosocial support
- Research and publications
- Feminist activism
- Fighting against Gender and/or sex violence, violence against women
- Services: free legal assistance for women

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

- Women and rights: legal counselling for women
- Woman today: public tribunes, workshops, TV shows for empowerment of women to take more active role in society
- Public opinion: gender-sensitive media and gender equity and equality
- Human trafficking prevention in primary schools in Banja Luka region

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BIHAĆ

Glas žene Bihać (The voice of woman Bihać)

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Year of establishment: December, 2004.

Mission: Educating women about their rights; Raising awareness among women about the role they have in a modern democratic society; Activating/animating women to take part in social and political currents; providing legal aid through counselling services; promoting human rights and especially women human rights; advocating for changes, engaging in actions to implement the legislation, and exercising human rights; developing tolerance and other democratic values in society.

Vision: Bosnian and Herzegovinian society rooted in principles of democracy and human rights. Human rights as the pattern for life in the society where aware, educated, and active women participate in ongoing social trends and contribute to a better life on all levels.

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Association of citizens at cantonal level

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women human rights
- Educations
 - Empowerment of young women*
- Lobbying/Policy/Advocacy
- Counselling (legal aid)

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

- Promotion of "Gender Equality Law" across the Bihać Municipality.
- Establishing a Gender Commissions in the Bihać Municipality and cooperating with it
- Advocating for establishing of Municipal Gender Commissions in Cazin and Bosanska Krupa, and working with the Gender Commissions on implementing the Gender Equality Law
- Prevention of Mobbing: Education and Research
- Gender Equality and Equity: Work with schoolchildren

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Year of establishment: 1998

MISSION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Improving the social position of women.

VISION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Woman in BiH has better education, is protected from all forms of violence, has great chances to participate in decision making processes, both at home and in the society.

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Association of Citizens at State level

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women's Human Rights
Legal Aid/Services
Work with Roma Population
Anti Trafficking
- Psychosocial Help
- Lobbying, Policy Advocacy
- Research and Publication
- Counselling (Legal Assistance)

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

- Women centre: organizing women at local level and influencing local authorities
- Lara online: Women electronic magazine (e-zine)
- Women Can Do It: empowerment and education on women's political skills
- Networking on regional level for prevention of trafficking in persons
- Green Light: education of youth on reproductive health protection
- Shelter for victims of trafficking in persons

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BOSANSKO GRAHOVO

UG Grahovo Bosansko Grahovo

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Year of establishment: 2000

Mission: Association of female citizens/women „Grahovo“ is non–governmental, women, non–party, and non–profit organization founded on principles of freedom of interested persons to join in, multi–ethnicity, and volunteerism and assembles women of various social, financial, educational, and religious backgrounds. The association is active in initiating, developing and implementing activities focused on improving the quality of life of women and all citizens of Bosansko Grahovo. In working together, we strive to achieve our goals and cooperate with many organizations with similar mission and vision from all over the world. Purpose of cooperation is to advocate for exercising all human rights, and to work on peace–building and trust throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina. Association is active since year 2000 when it was formally registered at the Federal Ministry of Justice in Sarajevo. The home office of the Association is in Bosansko Grahovo at M. Tita Street 16. The Association has 448 members and we have four persons employed and working in administration. In addition, we have eight volunteers providing help to implement the projects.

Vision: Women Citizens Association „Grahovo“ wants the women in our community to equally participate in all spheres of life, as employed, economically empowered, independent, educated women, and to have the liberty to define the purpose of their life and progress. We see Bosansko Grahovo as a populated and renewed place, and as a healthy environment of people living in concord and have equal and complete participation in all segments of community development.

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Association of Female Citizens at Entity level

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women’s Human Rights
- Education
- Psychosocial Help
- Lobbying, Policy Advocacy
- Sex and/or Gender Based Violence, and Violence Against Women

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

- Mobile medical team
- Equip gynaecological unit in Bosansko Grahovo
- From idea to business for employing women
- Capacity building of local non–governmental organizations and establishing institutional framework for cooperation between civil society and local administration in Bosansko Grahovo
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BRATUNAC

„Forum žena” Bratunac (“Forum of women” Bratunac)

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Year of establishment: 1999

MISSION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Association “Women Forum” Bratunac is volunteer, democratic, non-governmental, and non-profit organization of women and girls established, in region of Eastern Bosnia, in order to preserve, define and support problem solving and exercising needs of women and girls in society, especially in fields of following policies : legislation, social, economic, health, culture, and the ones concerning public life.

VISION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Woman in Bosnia and Herzegovina is treated as equal in all spheres of labour and activity.

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Association of Female Citizens at Entity level

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women Human Rights
- Legal Aid/Services
- Education
 - Empowering Young Women*
- Feminist Activism

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

Long-term Projects:

- Women centre: Women Human Rights, 2000 – 2008
- Woman in community: Empowering Women, 1999 – 2008
- Sustainable return of women in community: Economic Empowerment for women and Girls, 2003 – 2006
- Campaigns and actions in community

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Asocijacija mladih BD Brčko (Association of youth BD Brčko)

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Association of youth BD Brčko is independent nongovernmental and non-party organisation established in Brčko district in 2002 with the main purpose to assist and contribute to advancement of position of youth at social, cultural, educational and other fields.

Program goals:

- Affirmation of young people and their active engagement in B&H society
- Informal education of youth
- Organisation of cultural, educational and other events
- Environment protection
- Cooperation with other organisations in country and abroad.

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LIVNO

Udruženje žena "Li-Women" Livno (Association of Women "Li-Woman")

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Year of establishment: August, 1996

MISSION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Organization deals with affirmation of women and human rights in general through participation of local community citizens in activities developing civil society in Livno municipality and Canton No: 10, which gathers six municipalities. In cooperation with many NGOs from BiH, citizens, youth, businesspersons, political parties, and institutions we work to contribute to positive changes in society.

VISION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Society of equal citizens free from all discrimination.

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Association of Women Citizens at Cantonal level

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women's Human Rights
- Economic Empowerment of Women (Vocational Training and Retraining)
- Legal Aid/Services
- Work with Sexual and Gender Minorities
- Education
- Psychosocial Help
- Counselling
- Feminist Activism

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

- Democracy and Women's Role In It
- The Autumn of Life
- Counselling for Marital Partners and Family
- Single Mothers
- Mixed Marriages and Multi-culture

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MOSTAR

Udruženje "Žena BiH" Mostar (Association "Woman B&H" Mostar)

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Year of establishment: 1994.

MISSION OF THE ORGANIZATION: The mission of the organization is to assist women and children (domicile, internally displaced, and returnees) regardless of their nationality, economic and /or social status. ŽENA BiH promotes and affirms Women's Human Rights, advocates for economic independence, self-awareness, and total inclusion of women in all spheres of life.

VISION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Full affirmation of women in BiH society with special accent on protection of women victims of violence, and promotion of human rights of women regardless to woman's religious, ethnic, social background, and building of social environment of improved conditions and quality of living for elderly

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Association of Citizens at Cantonal Level

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women's Human Rights
- Economic Empowerment of Women (Vocational Training and Retraining)
- Legal Aid/Services
- Psychosocial Help
- Lobbying, Policy Advocacy
- Counselling office for victims of violence
- Feminist Activism
- Sex and/or Gender Based Violence, and Violence Against Women

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

- Preventing Violence Against Women and ensuring complete and adequate assistance to women and children victims of violence
- Prevention of violence against children through Little phone SOS telephone for children
- Safe House for victims of violence, and victims of trafficking in human beings
- Establishing MTF for combating trafficking in human beings in south of BiH
- Prevention of peer violence/bullying in elementary and secondary schools in HNK (Herzegovinian–Neretvan Canton)

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TUZLA

Vesta Tuzla

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Association Vesta was established in 1998, in Tuzla, widely recognized multi-ethnic town in Bosnia and Herzegovina. A group of young people decided to stay in this country and direct its energy towards creating positive environment that can meet needs of European citizens. Our main desire was to become support for those who want to be actively involved in decision-making process and to participate in building equal-opportunity society. Association Vesta was named after Roman goddess of home and family Vesta.

Association Vesta is nongovernmental, non-for-profit and non-party organisation using its own and partners' media and network of B&H nongovernmental organisations to advocate for active engagement and participation of all citizens, and also initializes and leads social changes processes aiming at achieving equity and equality of all groups, as well as socio-economic empowerment of the society.

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MISSION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Medica Zenica implements a multidisciplinary model of combating violence against women and children. The model is based in humanistic values and belief that an individual and global changes are co-dependent. In its work, Medica links direct protection and assistance to victims of trauma and violence, provided through the existing services, with policy advocacy for positive changes in institutions and the community in regards to problems that are root causes of violence.

VISION OF THE ORGANIZATION: Life of women, children, and every human being, without violence and discrimination, and equal rights in family and the society.

ORGANIZATION IS REGISTERED AS: Association of Citizens at Cantonal Level.

KEY WORDS/AREAS OF WORK FOR WOMEN AND/OR WITH WOMEN:

- Women's Human Rights
- Economic Empowerment of Women
- Legal Aid/Services
- Education
- Psychosocial support
- Feminist Activism
- Sex and/or Gender Based Violence, and Violence Against Women

MAIN SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM PROJECTS:

- Safe House for Women and Children Victims of Violence
- Psychological Counselling Office for Victims of Domestic And Other Types of Violence
- Centre for Education and Economic Empowerment of Women: Vocational Training and Retraining
- Kinder House: Education, Upbringing, and Supportive Work With Vulnerable Children

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