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Dear friends of the Tuzla Community Foundation!

Tuzla Community Foundation, as a local foundation for development of Tuzla town, continuously work on networking and development of partnerships within our community through motivating citizens on self-organization and social action for improvement of quality of living in Tuzla.

We believe that through organized work of local stakeholders we can continuously develop conditions for better living in Tuzla. Through development and improvement of local culture of giving for community benefit we can make positive and visible changes in our community faster. We believe that wellbeing of every individual is connected with wellbeing of all people in the community and that development of our community really depends on quality of these relationships.

During 2007, we continued to develop program for involvement and empowerment of young people in Tuzla, citizens' participation and community education, as well as small grant-making program for citizens' initiatives and initiatives of youth in Tuzla. Our activities are meant to get citizens together, young people closer to each other and all those who truly love Tuzla and believe that small local actions can improve quality of living in Tuzla

We persistently work on building trust of Tuzla citizens as a good starting point for building partnerships with local donors, local companies and individuals in Tuzla whose philanthropic resources will be organized in the permanent funds for development of Tuzla.

These permanent and flexible funds within the Tuzla Community Foundation will be directed to continuous support to the development of the civil sector in Tuzla, through grants to non-formal and formal groups of citizens, that will help launch special development initiatives and programs for community benefit. Indirectly, these funds will support building capacities of non-profit organizations and groups that work on general community benefit.

We invite you to follow our work and to join us in the development of Tuzla!

Sincerely,

*Prof.dr.med.sci Ekrem Jusufovi
President of the Board*

*Jasna Jašarevi
Executive director*

TUZLA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

WE ARE...

- Independent, non-profit, non-governmental organization
- We work in the area of Tuzla Municipality (150,000 200,000 people)
- We work on development of partnerships and cooperation at local level so we could solve problems of public interest
- We give financial support and improve initiatives that serves to the community
- Our worked is managed by the Board, that consists of Tuzla citizens who voluntarily support development of Tuzla foundation and civil sector in our town
- We are open for donations from local community from all three sectors.
- Individuals, companies and organizations can give donations from local donors i the country or Diaspora.

MISSION

WHAT WE DO?

Tuzla Community Foundation supports participation of citizens in the democratic development of local communities through financing citizens' initiatives and projects for public benefit. Through promotion of culture of giving and volunteerism, we help donors of Tuzla to match their philanthropic goals with the community needs.

VISION

WHAT DO WE WANT TO ACCOMPLISH?

Tuzla Community Foundation is a leading independent organization at local level that direct financial support to civil initiatives for general benefit of the society.

We are the first foundation for local development in Bosnia and Herzegovina!!

WHO ARE OUR BENEFICIARIES?

1. LOCAL COMMUNITY (we support activities for community benefit and we work on promotion of culture of giving and volunteer work)
2. LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS AND GROUPS (we inspire local action, work on connecting people with those who have resources, work on building partnerships and cooperation at local level)
3. DONORS (Individuals, companies, organizations, other foundations from the country and abroad who supports development of Tuzla based on community needs)

GENERAL GOAL

Improvement of living conditions in Tuzla through building partnerships, networking and holistic approach in the community development

SPECIAL GOALS

1. Promotion of culture of giving and volunteerism
2. Support to civil society development
 - a. Empowerment and development of the communities through promotion of active citizenship
 - b. Promotion of community education, participation and empowerment of young people



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GRANT MAKING PROGRAM

SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM

General goal of the program is to motivate citizens for local actions and self-organization projects. Through this program we co-finance innovative ideas and projects of citizens that will involve other people in democratic development of the community and improvement of living conditions in Tuzla. Our special aim is to involve young people in the social life and development of the community through our separate grant-making program, called Youth Bank Tuzla.

Through this small financial support we aim to respond fast and effectively to the changing needs of the local community and additionally to fulfil other programs that we implement in Tuzla.

1.1. SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM

Through small grants program we call independent organizations and associations, institutions, schools, clubs, non-formal citizens' groups to propose innovative project ideas that will stimulate participation of larger number of citizens in the development of their community. We also look for projects that demonstrate partnerships of all three sectors in the realization of proposed projects.

Every supported project has to be realized in Tuzla and should show the benefit to Tuzla citizens. In each project we look for participation of minimum 5 citizens of Tuzla. Donations range is from 100 to 1000 KM (50-500 Euro) and citizens have to co-finance the project. We support projects cover wide spectrum of thematic areas: ecology and environment, culture, sport, social life, education, social protection, minor infrastructure.



GRANT MAKING PROGRAM 1.1.

SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM

1.1.1. List of supported Projects in 2007.

Organization or group	Projekat	Organization or group	Citizens' contribution/KM	Number of project beneficiaries
Dancing club "Flamenco"	Flamenco dancing competition	1000	4240	400
Eco-group of Primary School "Centar"	Lets decrease a number of plastic bags we use	860	860	1800
Women group from Simin Han	Promotion of honey as a healthy food	430	520	200
Agora centre Council	Organization of a Spring Fair in Simin Han	1000	1100	600
Citizens group from Husino	Cherishing of sport and football tradition at Husino	725	740	500
Cultural and folklore association Gornja Tuzla	Theatre performance for children	570	600	120
Citizens' association of visually impaired Tuzla	Education of blind people for computer use	1 000	1 485	5
Council of of Primary school Slin Han	Healthy foot – healthy spine	504	525	21
Council of of Primary school Slin Han	Refurbishment of the school yard	650	780	650
Citizens' association Morbus Crohn and ulcerous colitis diseas	"We also like to live"	1 000	1 055	50
Citizens' association "Bridge"	"Let's save sport in our neighbourhood"	525	898	3 000
Pupils cooperative "P elica"	Reparation of the bee homes	940	1 960	50
Citizens' association "Fenix"	Computer training for beneficiaries of services of mental health	1 000	1 200	60
Women pensioners' group	Work is still our right!	1 000	1 000	70
Council of of Primary school Kiseljak	Project in Roma neighbourhood, "Together we can do more"	829	890	1 000
Primary School Slavinovi i	"Accomplish success through reading"	500	1 000	500
Development team of primary school Kreka	Refurbishment of the school fence and yard	500	1 422	700
Youth centre Tuzla	Rock festival	850	7 000	200
Student association with special needs and volunteers	Development of volunteerism at Tuzla University	980	1 970	2 000
Council of primary school Lipnica	We need to heat our classrooms	450	910	52



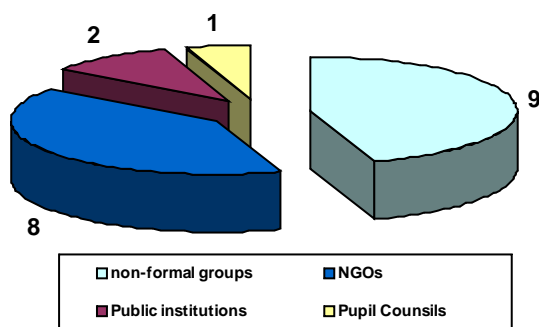
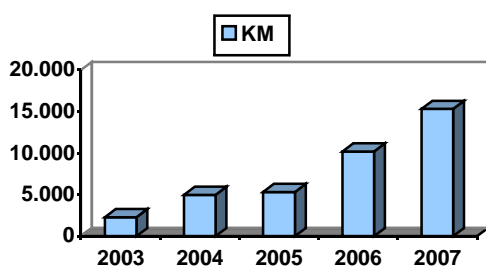
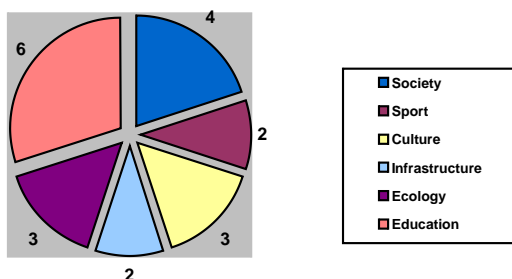
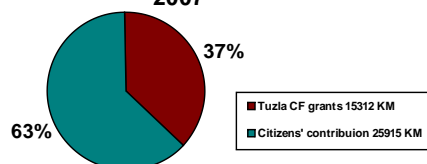
1.1 GRANT MAKING PROGRAM

SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM

1.1.2. Program Statistics

- In 2007 we supported 20 citizens' projects
- 500 Tuzla citizens participated in the projects
- 12 000 citizens were direct beneficiaries of these projects
- Total amount of distributed grants is 15. 313,00 KM
- Citizens' of Tuzla contributed 31.155,00 KM, financially and in kind

Proportion of Tuzla CF grants and contributions of citizens' groups in 2007



1.1.3. Example of small grant 2007

PROMOTION OF NUTRITIOUS QUALITIES OF HONEY

Approved grant: 430 KM

Granted group: Women association Simin Han

DESCRIPTION

Women association Simin Han is a branch of the big women association in Tuzla that is active in organizing humanitarian projects, activities to preserve tradition and cultural heritage and to promote volunteer work. Apart from their regular community activities during the year, several active women, supported by one of their members, Mrs. Edina Halilovi, bee hives holder, decided to organize promotion of nutritious qualities of honey and preparation of food with this healthy natural product. Sweets, cakes, recipes book and facial masks that they produced have been presented at Spring Fair 2007 in Simin Han.

WHO ARE BENEFICIARIES OF THIS PROJECT?

Beneficiaries of the project are women in Simin Han women association, especially 30 of them who were directly participating in preparations of cakes, recipes book and facial masks. During the one-day spring fair in Simin Han, visitors were advised on honey products, characteristics and special use of honey. In addition to this, 10 volunteers from the community helped them to implement the project. We presume that around 300 citizens from Simin Han and Tuzla have been educated about use of honey as a healthy food.

WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE GRANT?

This is an educational project through which the citizens were introduced about medical qualities of honey and different ways of its use in the household, but also, the project helped women association to build the capacities of its members, get some additional money for their activities from selling the recipe book, establish cooperation with youth group and volunteers who helped them to distribute information and educate visitors citizens at Spring Fair in Simin Han.

Approximately, 30 members of women association have directly participated in the project, researching and trying out the best cake and sweets' honey recipes, develop the recipes book that was distributed in 300 copies. Young volunteers from the community centre "Agora" in Simin Han, helped women association to design and typewrite and print out this recipes book.

YOUTH BANK PROGRAM

Youth Bank Tuzla Committee is one of the commissions of the Board of the Tuzla Community Foundation that makes decisions on distribution of grants for supporting projects suggested by young people in Tuzla. Members of the Youth Bank Tuzla Committee are volunteers of the Foundation, and they pass capacity building training for getting skills necessary for making decisions within the project.

They do regular need assessment among young people in the community, based on which they define topics important to youngsters, criteria that they follow when they decide on distribution of grants. What's an even more important thing to mention is that young people get together, build networks and motivate each other for participation and involvement in the development of their community. During their meetings and workshops, members of the Youth Bank Tuzla Committee learn how to present their grant program and how to make calls for proposals, how to be a good Stewards of the community resources. According to the specially designed scoring system, they approve projects independently and according to their criteria. Monitoring and evaluation are the topics they cover during their regular training, and after during the course of the project, young people have chance to go out into the community and visit and report on all youth projects they supported.

1.2.1. Summary the Youth Bank Tuzla Activities

- Continuous training of the Youth Bank Committee for need assessment, setting up criteria, Scoring system, decision-making, interviewing, monitoring and evaluation of the projects;
- Regular meetings of the Committee every second week;
- Promotion activities, project presentations at local media two times annually;
- Contacts with young people and call for project ideas from youth groups in Tuzla;
- Receiving project proposals, pre-selection;
- Interviewing and getting to know the groups that applied;
- Scoring and decision-making;
- Signing contracts with granted projects;
- Public promotion of the grantees;
- Regular monitoring and evaluation of the approved projects;
- Close cooperation with youth groups and networking;
- Participation in the activities of Tuzla Community Foundation: fairs, conferences, promotions, and presentations.

1.2.2. Program Statistics

- 30 young volunteers has participated in the distribution of the small grants;
- Two times annually young people from Tuzla have submitted project proposals (March; October);
- Youth Bank Tuzla received 28 project proposals;
- Youth Bank Tuzla approved 15 youth projects;
- Total amount of distributed grants is 6770 KM;
- Average grant is 450 KM.



1.2. GRANT MAKING PROGRAM

YOUTH BANK PROGRAM

1.2.3. List of the Supported Projects in 2007 through the Youth Bank Tuzla

Organization or group	Project	Supported amount /KM
Students of the High Medical School Tuzla	Organization of football tournament	180,00
Association "Youth of Tuzla"	Theatre performance on drug abuse "Why..."	420,00
Animator's group "Smile"	Hygiene is half of Health	430,00
Student association of Turkish language "Divan"	Bosnian-Turkish handbook	500,00
Scout group "Krin" Tuzla	Sweep in front of your doors	550,00
Group of students 2 nd and 3 rd year of Electrical Engineering Faculty	Uni-portal	270,00
Youth group from Gornja Tuzla	Construction of basketball playground	600,00
Student association of the Faculty for Physical Development and Sport	Dancing Bal	400,00
Youth Centre IPak	Days of open doors	400,00
Youth Association "Revolt"	I love B&H, 25 th November 2007	350,00
Citizens' association "Bolje sutra"	Newsletter BS	450,00
Drama group from Primary School Simin Han	Interculturality in schools	400,00
Pupils' Council of Primary School Tušanj	Green project	470,00
Pupils' Council of Primary School Simin Han	Prevention and intervention of violence in schools	450,00
Student Association of Economic Faculty	Guide through investments	350,00
Citizens' Association "RAD"	Refurbishment of the basketball playground	550,00
TOTAL		6770,0



GRANT MAKING PROGRAM 1.2.

YOUTH BANK PROGRAM

1.2.4. Top projects for 2007.

Name of the project: Construction of basketball playground
Grantee: Youth group from Gornja Tuzla
Area: Sport
Requested amount: 700 KM
Approved amount: 600 KM

Description of the project:

Group of young people from Gornja Tuzla has cleaned and refurbished unused and dirty playground for basketball games. The grant of 600 KM has been used for concrete plates, basket board, and colours for marking the playground. In addition to the granted amount from Tuzla Community Foundation, young people have fundraised additional donation from local business "Menprom" doo Tuzla. It is of special interest of the Youth bank Committee members to motivate young people in Tuzla to invite business sector for participation in community projects.

Name of the project: Sweep in front of your doors
Grantee: Scout group "Krin" Tuzla
Area: Environment
Requested amount: 700 KM
Approved amount: 550 KM

Description of the project:

The project "Sweep in front of your doors" has been realized in only 20 days. 40 volunteers of the scout group and 20 neighbours from the street have participated in the cleaning of the yard where scouts are organizing their gatherings. The yard was full of wild garbage and partially devastated from neglect of people who live around. The old building is also a ruin that is dangerous for young people who come to scout meetings and mountain association. Youth bank Committee decided to support this volunteer activity of the scouts and it is visible that the yard looks different now not only for the organizations but also for all neighbours in the community.

1.2.5. Networking

Youth bank Tuzla connects young people in Tuzla and supports youngsters to build their capacities and social competences necessary for their personal development and development of whole society.



Be active!
Together, we can improve status
of Youth in Tuzla!

1.3. GRANT MAKING PROGRAM

DONOR SERVICES

Tuzla Community Foundation raise donations for public benefit and redirect them to satisfy the needs of civil society in Tuzla. We try to match the needs of donors/financing institution with the needs of citizens who suggest projects and initiatives for community benefit. We raise donations from individuals, businesses, local and regional governmental institutions, Diaspora. Any citizen of Tuzla, individual or company, can give a gift to its town and take part in the improvement of living conditions in Tuzla. Tuzla Community Foundation is accountable and flexible partner to all our donors. We offer different giving opportunities to Tuzla donors and we match donor's wishes with the changing needs of the community. Even small donations joined with other donations for public benefit, can bring positive changes in our town!

1.3.1. Giving Mechanisms

Tuzla Community foundation, as a "donor-serving agency", offers any flexible giving opportunities to each prospective donor of Tuzla. Individuals, companies and organizations from Tuzla and Diaspora, can give small or large donations to programs that we already developed within the Foundation, but they can also choose the possibility to establish their own long-lasting program or Fund within the Foundation.

General donations in any amount are being pooled together into the existing grant-making programs: Small-grant scheme and Youth bank and new initiative called "Club of Donors".

Our task is to match the needs of donors with the needs of civil society in Tuzla and to disburse donations in transparent, objectives and independent way to satisfy priority needs and support vital projects for community benefit.

1.3.2. Open Your Own Fund!

If your wish is to support long-lastingly and strategically, positive changes in our Tuzla, then it is good solution for you is opening of independent Fund within Tuzla Community Foundation.

We will help your good intentions and continuous support comes to the right hands! You can choose to support special thematic areas, some specific association or organization that will continuously receive your support, but you can also choose to give donation to the general purpose fund that will be used to support priority needs of civil society in Tuzla.

Tuzla Community Foundation is accountable and transparent partner that will serve you professionally and regularly inform you regularly on all distributed grants from your Fund.

Any kind of giving and engagement in the development of the town can make positive difference in the communities we live!

Types of Funds

All Purpose Funds

Donor gives the flexibility to the community foundation to respond to changing needs of the community.

Field of Interest Funds

These fund are meant for donors who want to improve the specific thematic area, such as culture, education, ecology, etc).

Donor Advised Funds

Donor can suggest beneficiary of the donation.

Designated Funds

Donor decides which organization or association in Tuzla will be supported continuously through the Fund.

Tuzla Community Foundation makes special effort to raise funds from local resources in order to develop program for financial support to civil society organizations in Tuzla!



2. OTHER PROGRAMS

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM 2.1.

The goal of the program is to motivate young people to become active members of the community and take part in the democratic development of the society and make decisions regarding their own personal growth and community development.

The beneficiaries of our youth projects are youth organizations from Tuzla, informal groups of youth people in local communities, pupils' councils in elementary schools in Tuzla, young volunteers involved in projects of the Youth Bank Tuzla, Youth Council Simin Han and Empowerment Media Network project "Community TV".

Youth Empowerment partnership Program (YEPP) is comprised of series of activities and projects for building capacities of the youth of aged 14 to 26.

During our work with the young, we use the latest methods of training and workshops that bestow young people with new skills and capabilities needed for their personal and professional growth. The young get informal community education in democracy, human rights, group leadership, teamwork, project management, youth networking, active citizenship and decision-making, and they organize their own meeting and usefully spend their free time.



2.1.1. YEPP on the International Level

YEPP is also an international program coordinated from the main office in Berlin, implemented in several towns in Europe: Tuzla, Mannheim, Kristinestad, Antwerp, Turin, and Dublin. Cooperation among YEPP sites consists of organizing joint "YEPP-ALL" conferences, meetings, thematic capacity building workshops, study visits.

The initiative that emerged from YEPP program under the name "Empowerment Media Network" is intended to help exchange of knowledge and know-how in the field of media and video projects. The YEPP network opens new possibilities for connecting with other European countries in the field of video production.

During 2007, 16 young people participated in three international exchanges:

1. YEPP EMN workshop in Video production "Seen and Heard" in Dublin, Ireland (May 2007), 5 participants from Tuzla
2. YEPP art workshop "Mannheim in Your Eyes: Youth Capacity Building Workshop", in Mannheim, Germany (July 27th to August 3rd 2007), 4 participants from Tuzla. Our representatives were: Selma Skopljakovi , Indir Beki , Ibrahim Jahi and Lela Mali begovi .
3. The Second YEPP Conference in Antwerp, Belgium (November 2007), 7 participants from Tuzla.



YEPP Tuzla in Antwerp: Emir Baši , Majda Mehmedovi , Zinaida oli , Asja Redži , Marko Kova evi

2.1.

OTHER PROGRAMS

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

2.1.2. Project "Training for Young Leaders"

The fundamental idea of the project is to motivate young people in early age (12-13) to take active part in democratic development of the community. The young pass the training about roles of the leaders and team members, teamwork, organizing voluntary actions for the wellbeing of the community. One of the reasons why young people love this project is because it gives the opportunity to participate in summer camps and study visits to similar organizations in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Sweden.

During 2007, young "leaders" who passed the training in the first phase of the project in the earlier years truly became skilled young leaders and led thematic workshops and organized games with the young included in this-years training program. We formed four (4) groups of little "leaders" in 4 elementary schools in Tuzla (Gornja Tuzla, Solina, Miladije, Tušanj). The project includes total of 60-70 boys and girls, future leaders in school activities and small community projects. Apart from regular facilitated meetings once a week, little leaders plan community actions when all leaders gather for experience exchange, team building and activities for the community benefit. These are the moments little leaders like the most!

Joint Actions

May 2007, local community of Gornja Tuzla
64 young leaders from 4 elementary schools met in the natural surroundings of Gornja Tuzla for team building and the joint action of planting trees.

June 2007, local community of Tušanj
22 young leaders gathered on the Kicelj hill to clean up the environment and work as team.

October 2007, local community Solina
Sport activities organized by Solina leaders were attended by 63 young leaders.

November 2007, elementary school Tušanj
20 young leaders participated in painting and art making on the school walls.

November 2007, elementary school Miladije
15 young leaders organized a school play in their school.

The project is implemented in cooperation with the Swedish organization "Unga Ornar" (Young Falcons). The project started in 2004, and in 2007, it was funded by the Swedish International Centre "The International Olof Palme Center"



DIRECT RESULTS OF «LEADRESHIP TRAINIG» PROJECT:

- 60 young people aged 12 to 14 participate in workshops
- The young learn about democracy, solidarity, equality
- The good cooperation with "Unga Ornar" continues
- The cooperation was established with 6 elementary schools from Tuzla (Simin Han and Slavinovi i in the first phase and Gornja Tuzla, Miladije, Tušanj and Solina in the second phase of the project)
- 4 "older" youth leaders participate in running the project
- The following topics were discussed and studied within the groups: the role of the leader, team work, project Planning and implementation, voluntarism, children's rights, equality
- Young leaders organized independent projects for the community benefit
- Youth Council in Simin Han is an example of good practice of this project
- 5 leaders from Tuzla participated in the Summer camp in Sweden in August 2007

OTHER PROGRAMS

2.1.

YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

2.1.3. Media project «Community TV - Video Stories from Local Community»

We started this project in 2006 in cooperation with Citizens' association "Peace Flame House" Tuzla, inspired by ideas from international exchanges within YEPP program and its special initiative called "EmpowerMediaNetwork".

"Community TV - Video stories from local community" is a project that offers young people in Tuzla non-formal education in production of video materials (photography and film). Video products are used as tools for young people to get to know themselves and their environment, their possibilities and skills for such way of expression of their feelings and views. Through 2007, 30 young people from Tuzla, participated in the project, having the joint wish to learn basics of directing, scenario and montage. In the first six month of the project, our partner has successfully organized training and practical classes for youngsters that have produced several video materials. Throughout the year, we also exchanged produced materials with partners at international level where we won two international prizes for their video products. This was a great indicator for us that young people accepted the initiative and that they really learned the basic techniques of video production.



Important international exchanges within this project are:

- YEPP workshop in Dublin (May 2007), 5 representatives from Tuzla project
- YEPP Conference in Antwerp in November 2007, 2 participants from the project
- Study visit to Turin in Italy in September 2007, 3 participants of the project from Tuzla
- Study visit of young people from Turin to Tuzla in July 2007, 3 participants from Turin project



Sanja Šobić,
Community TV Project Coach at
YEPP Conference in Antwerp in Belgium



2.2.

OTHER PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Community development program we implement in 5 local communities in Tuzla: Simin Han, Husino, Gornja Tuzla, Solina and Tušanj. Through the program we organize different activities that support local communities to organize better so They are motivated to start community actions and self-organized projects.

2.2.1. Community Development of Simin Han

Networking and information exchange. Through 2007, we continued to facilitate meeting of local actors' group in Simin Han on which we had an average of 15 participants, representatives of organizations and groups from Simin Han (women association, pensioners' association, local administration representatives, Pupils' Council, Primary School management, Youth Council, IPAK centre, Women Club Simin Han, MIOS Tuzla, Hunter's Society, Football Club "Sloga", Bicycle Club "Zmaj od Bosne", School and Parent Council of Primary School Simin Han, Ambulance Simin Han). Some of the most important topics and campaigns in Simin Han, during 2007 are: traffic light instalment at the main crossing, organization of Spring Fair, improvement of health services in Simin Han, celebration of Simin Han Day, actions of cleaning and beautifying of the community.

RESULTS IN SIMIN HAN

- Cooperation of local actors (networking, exchange, cooperation)
- Social actions of cleaning, campaign for traffic lights, spring fair, Home visits to elderly and ill,
- Support to innovative citizens' initiatives
- Development of the Community Centre "Agora" in Simin Han
- Development of the Agora centre Council

Nicer and cleaner environment in Simin Han. In last five years, general awareness of Simin Han citizens on ecological problems and situation has been raised and many have proposed and implemented small actions that made their community nicer and without big wild garbage deposits as before. Women association of Simin Han regularly organize decoration of the green park around the community centre Agora. In addition to this, in summer 2007, Simin section of the association "Josip Broz Tito" has raised money to build the fountain in the park

Campaign for setting up the traffic light at main crossing in Simin Han is finally finished in January 2007. Undoubtedly, this was one of the most important events in this community in the last year. The campaign started back in 2001, with the initiative that came from Pupils Council of Primary School Simin Han. The same year, Simin Han community got as a gift a traffic light for the crossing from German organization "Friends in crisis Freiburg-Tuzla". Throughout the years, many local stakeholders have joined the campaign. Tuzla Community Foundation that raised additional financial resources from American Development Foundation through which we supported some campaigning activities. During 2006, additional letters and requests were sent to Municipal department for communal issues, pushing them to solve the problem and finalize the project. In January 2007, traffic lights were installed finally, and what's also important to say is that the gift from German friends found its place in Simin Han community six years after!



2.2.2. Community Development of Gornja Tuzla, Solina, Tušanj i Husino

Through development of YEPP program in Simin Han, we advocated holistic approach in community development focusing on the needs of the youth, and their participation in community development. Intending to expand this approach to community development, we introduced the program in eight local communities in Tuzla in order to identify the interests of the local stakeholders (elementary schools, local community administration, NGO) to get involved in the program. Based on the interest shown by different stakeholders in the communities, we began the implementation of the program in four communities in Tuzla (Husino, Gornja Tuzla, Solina, Tušanj). Informal Local community development groups were formed in each of the communities in the beginning of 2007.

Using the methods and approaches we have learned in practice in Simin Han, in the new communities, we offer support to the local residents in the community organizing process. We have introduced a special approach to the community organizing process consisting in three steps: analysis, research of the priority issues and organizing local action or self help project.

The first workshops and introductory training were done by the end of 2006, and in the beginning of 2007, we continued the second round of meetings and workshops in each of the four communities, aiming to define joint objectives of various stakeholders. All four communities have been through the following steps in the process of community organizing:

- Community analysis and identification of interests of various stakeholders in community (elementary schools, local community administration, NGOs)
 - Forming the local community development group (5-15 local stakeholders) and SWOT analysis of the community
 - Defining joint objectives of local stakeholders

Local activists from the mentioned communities visited a number of their neighbours asking the residents of the community to define strengths and weaknesses of their community, and give their own ideas for further community development. The data was gathered from around 50 community residents from each community (different locations, age, sex, profession, and the degree of community involvement). Having in mind our limited funds and the fact that the research was done solely through voluntary engagement of local activists, it can be considered very successful. Through the end of year we worked on team building and preparations for creating detailed action plan for 2008.

PROJECT RESULT IN GORNJA TUZLA, TUŠANJ, HUSINO, SOLINA

- The good experience from Simin Han Tuzla was presented in 8 local communities
- Local stakeholders from school, community administration and NGOs were gathered
- The good experience from Simin Han Tuzla was presented in 8 local communities
- We worked on needs assessment focusing on the needs of the youth
- There is interest in 4 local communities to continue the process
- In each of the communities at least one project was financially supported through grant program
- We established regional cooperation with organization "Centre for Peace and Non-violence" from Osijek



2.3.

OTHER PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM

2.3.1. Development of the Community Centre "AGORA" in Simin Han

Agora centre is a community centre for non-formal education, socialization, cooperation and information exchange.

Activities in 2007

- Networking of the local stakeholders through the regular meetings and other methods of community organizing (Needs assessment, organizing campaigns, joint actions, etc.)
- The Agora centre Council includes representatives of organizations direct beneficiaries
- Volunteers in Agora centre (JEV from Germany and local volunteers)
- Volunteer team for visits to elderly and house bond residents
- Education courses (computers, English, Spanish, German...)
- Social and cultural activities (Spring Fair, celebrations of Bajrams, New Years Eve and so on.)

Volunteer Program in the Agora Centre. In the second half of 2007, from September to December, we conducted the research of "Voluntarism in Tuzla". The research was coordinated by the German volunteer, Rahel Rose from ASA-GLEN program (see www.asa-programme.de). The idea was to make the situation analysis in Tuzla, which would show if there is a need to start a voluntary program, that is, Local Volunteer Service in Tuzla. The Local Volunteer Service would then be located in the Agora centre. Considering that the results clearly showed that there is no such service in Tuzla and that number of civil society organizations were interested in such program, we decided to put our efforts during 2008 into fundraising for setting up the program in the Agora centre. The Volunteer Program in the Agora centre will be unique considering that currently there is no Information Service for volunteers that they could use to find out what are options for volunteering in the town and the other way around, the NGOs cannot easily find expert volunteers for various projects.

The Youngest Members of Agora centre in 2007. There were total of 79 registered members of Agora centre (age 9-13) who used the resources on daily basis (computer, internet, cinema, courses, board games, culture café, radio, TV, meetings). There were also some new ideas: baking cookies, dance club, celebration of different holidays e.g. Halloween. Creative workshops were organized by local volunteer Erna Lutvija. Around 40 children participated in these workshops on Saturdays 11 through 14.



Education courses. During the year there were 7 different foreign language courses in Agora centre and a computer course. The total number of students was 52.

Agora centre council was formed in October 2006 in order to coordinate and plan the future development of the centre. The Council recognized the problem that residents of Simin Han are still not using all the resources of the centre and proposed that we all join forces and work more on promotion of the centre, fundraising and maintenance of the centre. During 2007, the Council took responsibility for organizing the Spring Fair and also for popularization of the centre and promotion of the activities within.

OTHER PROGRAMS

2.3.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM



Spring Fair 2007. Around 100 people participated in organization of the one-day promotional fair and there were 500-600 visitors. The Agora Council was in charge of organization of the fair, with financial and technical assistance of Tuzla Community Foundation staff. Many young volunteers from Youth Council of Simin Han, Youth Bank Tuzla, Scouts "KRIN" from Tuzla and Pupils Council of Elementary School "Simin Han" participated in the organization of the fair. There were 24 different representatives of all three sectors in the exhibition and 11 cultural associations and groups in the program of the Fair.

Volunteer team for house visits. "We wish to improve the quality of life of old and house-bond people and to motivate youth for volunteer engagement." Says the leader of the team is Ferid Atanovi, who is a pensioner and a war invalid. He himself was house-bond for a long time while recovering. Seven teams (each consisting of 2-3 people) did regular visits to seven old persons from Simin Han. Local associations helped find the beneficiaries of this project.



Modelling Course (for children 4 to 12 years old) was organized in March and April of 2007. A biology student Lejla Trle decided to volunteer in the Agora centre. She organized this course for children of Simin Han to pass her own experience she gained working as a model in Tuzla. Around 30 children attended the course, and 20 participated in a mini fashion show during the Spring Fair 2007.

JEV volunteer. Agora center has been a host for German volunteers from "Jesuit European Volunteers" for several years. They help us organize activities for the youngest in Agora centre throughout the year. In September 2007, After Nathalie Rajevic from Germany (January to September 2007), we got a new JEV volunteer from Switzerland, Sanda Mamuzic. JEV volunteer is also in charge of development of creative activities in the culture café, support in implementation of education courses, cultural and other activities, celebrations, photo documentation, organizing meetings, workshops and training.



2.3.

OTHER PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM

2.3.2. Community Schools Development

While the process of community organizing is going on, we implement the program of community schools development in the elementary schools in Tuzla in cooperation with the local NGO, International association "Interactive Open Schools" Tuzla (MIOS Tuzla for short).

MIOS' activities are:

- Development of local and regional network of community schools in Tuzla, Osijek and Novi Sad
- Development of advanced training for teachers including the management, parents and students
- Work with Development teams in schools and cooperation with the community
- Developing partnerships with Ministry of Education and Pedagogical Institute
- Developing standards of community schools, indicators for measuring success in accordance with the standard
- Building capacities and development of MIOS into a professional agency for development of community schools
- Implementing project of establishment of "School Sport Associations" in 6 elementary schools in Tuzla

Elementary school in Simin Han has become a model for elementary schools in Tuzla Canton who want to start the process of opening their school toward community and improvement of teaching methods and approaches, especially regarding inclusion and democratization of schools.

After four years of developing this program, some of the schools in MIOS network have become well known in the town as open community schools that accept the changes in the environment and adapt to them, schools where parents and community are actively involved in the work and development of the school.

Training of Trainers Inclusion

During 2007, MIOS Tuzla developed the program of advanced training with accent on individualization of teaching and inclusive approach to the students. During the year, the program of inclusive education was applied in 8 elementary schools, and it included education of 64 teachers. In December MIOS provided this first training module for inclusive teaching in 76 elementary schools in Tuzla Canton. The Tuzla Cantonal Government funded the project.

In 2007, a new fund was established in the Tuzla Community Foundation. This designated fund is called: "Open Schools Development in Tuzla Canton Fund". The founder is our partner organization "MIOS" Tuzla, and the Open Society Fund from Sarajevo provided the financial support. Through this fund, we supported total of 12 elementary schools in Tuzla canton with the amount of 11000KM total (individual grants were up to 1000KM)

Designated fund

Within the cooperation with MIOS Tuzla, regional MIOS networks in Osijek and Novi Sad were also supported thanks to the support of German foundation "Freudenberg Stiftung". These designated funds will be used to establish formal association of Open schools in the Balkan region.



OTHER PROGRAMS

2.3.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM

2.3.3. Project «School Sport Associations»

Community education program

Type of the project	Number of schools –grant recipients	Total support/ KM
Projects in the field of inclusion	8	8.000,00
Project that will improve general conditions of school development	4	1.800,00
Material for presentation classes	8	1.200,00
Establishing School Sport Clubs	6	2400,00
TOTAL KM		13,400,00

Project "School Sport Associations" aim to support young students to improve their leadership skills and democratic way of decision making. All activities are realized with an aim to establish non-formal school sport association at school level that will be run by pupils, continuously supported by one teacher mentor and other adults when necessary (other teachers, parents). Through the project, pupils learn about roles and features of the leader necessary to lead one sport club. They also learn about the structure they need to build in order to be functional as a sport club. Leading of a sport club is just one example of how to put theory in praxis and try out adopted leadership skills.

Tuzla Community Foundation and local implementing partner, MIOS Tuzla, work in partnership with Swedish School Sport Association" that has secured funding from Swedish Foundation "The 90th Anniversary Foundation of His Majesty Gustaf V" for implementation of this project. Tuzla Community Foundation engages its staff and administrative capacities to realize the project activities (facilitation of the training activities, realization of small grants for six newly established school sport associations).

It is important to mention the implementation of the project was supported by mentor primary school Požarnica, which has passed the process of establishment of school sport association called "Speed".



3 ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN 2007

3.1. Role of Tuzla Community Foundation

Clear definition of our role in the community is of key importance for our future development. Tuzla Community Foundation has two main roles. One is to work as a service to donors, in the way that we make partnerships with individuals, organizations and companies to establish and manage charitable Funds for development of civil sector in Tuzla. The second is to work as the bridge towards community and civil sector in Tuzla, assuring transparency and accountability in directing financial support to the priority and concrete needs of the community and civil sector in Tuzla.

3.2. Promotion of the Culture of Giving

Our general goal is improvement of living conditions in Tuzla. Accomplishment of such complex goal we see also through promotion of culture of giving. Local giving can help our community to build better and stronger communities for future generations.

During 2007, we worked on improvement of internal capacities in respect to development of individual and corporate philanthropy at local level. We worked on elements necessary for action planning to launch public awareness campaign that will bring us closer to the prospective local donors, rich individuals and companies in Tuzla. We will try to establish contacts with those who are ready to invest in the future of their town. Campaign for local fundraising is planned for the second half of 2008.

3.3. Networking at Local Level

Tuzla Community Foundation is member of the local NGO network called "Reference Group Tuzla" since 2004. The NGO network gives platform to civil society organizations in Tuzla to form smaller thematic working groups that focus on specific issues, like youth, laws and legal issues, special needs, psychosocial help, ecology, etc.

Working group for youth issues. From June 2007, Tuzla Community Foundation is a leader of the Working group for youth issues within the "Reference group Tuzla", that focus on the development of Youth Strategy in Tuzla Municipality and networking between youth organizations in Tuzla. Working group from youth issues within Reference group Tuzla will develop activities to accomplish following goals:

- Improve status of young people and children in Tuzla
- Promote children and youth rights through program and activities of NGOs within the network
- Motivate children and youth to actively participate in the development of their local community

International Volunteer Day and Days of Solidarity in Tuzla. Organizations that gathered in the Working group for youth issues in NGO network "Reference Group Tuzla" agreed to organize activities for the 5th December, the International Volunteer Day. We organized public awareness campaign called "Days of Solidarity" in the period from 3rd to 9th December 2007. Volunteers of Tuzla Community Foundation in cooperation with volunteers from several other organizations such as Scouts, Fenix, Red Cross of Tuzla Canton and Staff members of Reference group were collecting groceries for help packages for marginalized citizens of Tuzla during the whole week.

3.4. Cooperation with other Community Foundations

Tuzla Community Foundation exchange experiences and cooperates with other community foundations in the world: "Prešov Community Foundation" from Slovakia, "Community Foundation for Northern Ireland" in Great Britain, "Togliatti Community Foundation" in Russia. We developed good cooperation with newly established community foundations in Mostar and Osijek and we also participated in the conference of community foundations in Liverpool in September 2007.

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN 2007

3.4. Account Balance for 2007

INCOMES

Grants / Donations	242.650,45
Other donations and incomes	41.236,28
Other incomes and interests	31.368,54
TOTAL INCOMES	315.255,27

PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Programme and Administration Staff (bruto)	23.665,10
Utilities	1.784,64
Other administration costs	25.064,64
TOTAL PROGRAM AND ADMINISTRATION	50.514,38

DIRECT PROGRAM/PROJECT EXPENSES

Project staff (brutto)	89.635,16
General project expenses	22.185,71
Program Community Centre Agora Simin Han/Grants, Activities	16.715,72
Youth Empowerment Program/Grants, Activities	29.394,21
Community Development Program and Community	
Education Program/Grants, Activities	102.423,71
TOTAL DIRECT PROGRAM/PROJECT EXPENSES	260.354,51

OTHER EXPENSES

Bank provisions, course differences and other unpredicted costs	3.577,77
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	3.577,77

TOTAL EXPENSES	314.446,66
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DIFFERENCE INCOME/EXPENSES	808,61
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...MORE ABOUT FOUNDATION

Just to remind ourselves, Tuzla Community Foundation was established in February 2003, officially registered in July 2003, as an initiative of 18 citizens of Simin Han and Tuzla, Youth Empowerment Partnership Program and German "Freudenberg Stiftung" Foundation. These enthusiastic people from our local community wanted to build local institution-foundation that will continue program for empowerment of youth and community of Simin Han and to spread these experiences to other areas of Tuzla.

Founders in alphabetical order

1. Aida Novali , former president of local authority office in Simin Han 2003/4
2. Anton Salaj, pensioner and private entrepreneur from Simin Han
3. edomir Luki , present member of local authority office, activist in Simin Han community
4. Danijel Davidovi , private entrepreneur from Simin Han
5. Enesa Mujkovi , activist in Tuzla women association, Simin Han section
6. Hana atibuši , activist in Tuzla women association, Simin Han section
7. Magbula Trle, activist in Tuzla women association, president of Simin Han section
8. Marko Kova evi , manager in construction company, activist in Simin Han community, member of Tuzla CF Management Board
9. Monika Kleck, Consultant from German foundation "Freudenberg Stiftung" and key initiator of the establishment of the local foundation and start of the Youth Empowerment Partnership Program in Simin Han, winner of the prestige award "Honorary Citizen of Tuzla"
10. Munira Beki , activist in Tuzla women association, Simin Han section
11. Mustafa atibuši , private entrepreneur from Simin Han
12. Mustafa Halilovi , private entrepreneur from Simin Han
13. Nada Dobnik, teacher in pension, well recognized painter, activist in Simin Han
14. Omer Redži , private entrepreneur from Simin Han
15. Osman Hasi (1957-2008), well-recognized Principal of Primary School Simin Han over many years, first executive director of the NGO MIOS Tuzla, one of the key initiators of the establishment of the local foundation;
16. Sanela Horozi , RBS volunteer 2003/04 in Freudenberg Stiftung Tuzla
17. Selma Pelemiš, activist in Tuzla women association, Simin Han section
18. Suad Tanovi , activist in Simin Han community, member of cultural association Simin Han, member of local authority office in Simin Han

Management Board

Tuzla Community Foundation Management Board is a general managing body in the foundation that makes decisions about the work and development of the foundation. There are 7 members of Management Board, respectful and responsible citizens of Tuzla, who voluntarily joined the Board and helps development of this unique model that supports community development. Management Board established several working committees through which we involve more citizens of Tuzla, representatives of organizations, institutions and groups from Tuzla, so we could get better understanding and insight into civil initiatives and activities for community benefit: Grant Committee, Employment Committee, Development Committee and Investment Committee. Especially for needs of youth projects, Management Board has given permission to the Youth Bank Committee to decide on financial support to the youth projects in Tuzla. Also, Management Board cooperates closely with Agora Centre Council in order to find solutions for improvement and continuous development of the community centre in Simin Han.

President

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Youth Bank Committee 2007/2008

All members of the Youth Bank Committee are volunteers and they use their knowledge and skills to take responsibility and make fair decisions on co-financing projects that are suggested and led by Tuzla youngsters:

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"Agora" Centre Council gives suggestions for long-lasting and sustainable development of the community centre in Simin Han.

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