Housing and Social Integration of Vulnerable Persons Living in Collective Accommodation

Project Financing

WBIF	Grant	WB7-BIH-SOC-04	€ 1,200,000
CEB	Loan		€ 60,000,000
National Contributio	n Own Contribution	n	€ 42,700,000
WBIF	Grant	WB23-BIH-SOC-01	€ 624,000
CEB	External Grant		€ 1,383,903
Total			€ 105,907,903
Total Grants			€ 1,824,000
Total Loans			€ 60,000,000

Project Description

The 1990s conflicts in the former Yugoslavia led to the displacement of more than 1 million people within the borders of nowadays Bosnia and Herzegovina. At the end of 2011, some 113,000 were still displaced, out of whom some 8,500 lived in collective centres and alternative temporary accommodation. Many of those were unemployed, elderly, ill, or otherwise socially vulnerable.

This project aims to provide housing solutions for about 7,200 refugees and internally displaced persons who were living in collective centres or alternative accommodation at the end of 2012. Specifically, the project entails the construction and rehabilitation of 82 buildings in 45 municipalities and cities throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina. These are then provided to beneficiaries based on social, non-for-profit rental housing model or within institutional accommodation (welfare) centres.

By the end of 2019, 150 families will have moved into new locations (eight collective centres and alternative accommodation locations will have been closed). Works are ongoing in remaining locations in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Republika Srpska.

The project benefits from grant support from the WBIF Bilateral Donors, Spain, Norway, and the CEB. The grants were essential for defining the institutional and regulatory frameworks as well as for managing the project.

Links

New Home for 62 Displaced Families in Srebrenik, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Video: New Home for 20 Families in Foca, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Results and Benefits

- 7,200 refugees and internally displaced people with adequate housing solutions (including places in elderly homes or other types of welfare centres).
- 2,600 housing units rehabilitated and/or built.
- Countries: Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Code: PRJ-BIH-SOC-003
- Sector: Social
- Lead IFI: CEB
- Status: Implementation
- Beneficiary: Ministry for Human Rights and Refugees