



COUNTRY HOUSING PROJECT (CHP) BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

LEAD INSTITUTION: **MINISTRY OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND REFUGEES OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA (BiH)**

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNITS: **MINISTRY OF REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS IN REPUBLIKA SRPSKA (RS)**

MINISTRY OF DISPLACED PERSONS AND REFUGEES IN THE FEDERATION OF BiH (FBiH)

THE DEPARTMENT OF BRCKO DISTRICT GOVERNMENT FOR DISPLACED PERSONS, REFUGEES AND HOUSING ISSUES



CHP AT A GLANCE

November 2016

Number of sub-projects approved
4

Number of housing units concerned
1 868

Total amount of grants approved
€ 35.9 million

Total amount of grants disbursed
€ 8.1 million

Total national contribution for approved sub-projects
€ 5.4 million

BACKGROUND

During the period from 1992 to 1995, 2.2 million persons or more than half of the pre-war population domiciled in the country fled from their homes in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Among them 1.2 million left the country to seek refugee protection abroad in more than 100 countries world-wide whilst approximately one million persons were displaced within the country. Aside from the devastating human impact of the war, nearly 500 000 homes, or almost half of all housing units in the country, were either partially or completely destroyed.

Some 29 000 applications for housing assistance in the RHP framework have been received from those wishing to return and those wishing to integrate in the local communities.

RHP OBJECTIVES IN BiH

The Regional Housing Programme (RHP) in Bosnia and Herzegovina is expected to provide durable and sustainable housing solutions to several categories of vulnerable refugees, internally displaced persons (IDPs) and returnees either in their places of origin (3 820 families), places of displacement (1 500 families) or within institutions of the social welfare system (80 families). In all, 5 400 households (or 14 000 individuals) should be assisted.

LATEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS

RHP stakeholders gathered together on 2 November 2016 in Prijedor, Bosnia and Herzegovina, to lay the foundation stone for a multi-apartment building that will provide 50 flats for refugees and internally displaced persons under the sub-project BiH3.

All in all, the sub-project BiH3, the total value of which is nearly EUR 15 million, envisages the construction of 438 housing units for 338 internally displaced families and 100 refugee families from the Republic of Croatia to BiH.

The flats will be owned by local self-governments, which provide the infrastructure to the site, as well as other contributions, the approximate value of which amounts to some EUR 2 million.



"It is important to emphasise that the RHP is not beneficial for displaced populations only but also for the entire region, as it contributes to stability and fosters good neighbourly relations."

Semiha Borovac,

Minister for Human Rights and Refugees of Bosnia and Herzegovina



FINANCIAL STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

November 2016

BiH1	BiH2	BiH3	BiH4
Provision of building materials to 20 families and turnkey reconstruction assistance to 150 families	Provision of housing solutions to 780 households for return and reintegration or local integration	Construction of 438 flats in multi-apartment buildings for refugees and IDPs	Reconstruction of 435 family houses for the return of refugees and IDPs and construction of 45 family houses for local integration of IDPs
Approval date 08/04/2013	Approval date 11/10/2013	Approval date 20/11/2014	Approval date 26/03/2015
Total estimated cost € 2 668 500	Total estimated cost € 14 634 324	Total estimated cost € 14 371 287	Total estimated cost € 9 620 371
Grant amount approved € 2 387 500	Grant amount approved € 12 634 032	Grant amount approved € 12 343 875	Grant amount approved € 8 569 651
National contribution € 281 000 *	National contribution € 2 000 292 *	National contribution € 2 027 412 *	National contribution € 1 050 720 *
Grant amount disbursed to date € 2 126 182	Grant amount disbursed to date € 350 000	Grant amount disbursed to date € 3 327 705	Grant amount disbursed to date € 2 311 200

Total Estimated Cost	Total Grant Amount financed from the RHP Fund	Total National Contribution	Total Amount of Grants Disbursed
€ 41 294 482	€ 35 935 058	€ 5 359 424 *	€ 8 115 087

- **Sub-project BiH1**
Provision of building materials to 20 families and turnkey reconstruction assistance to 150 families.
- **Sub-project BiH2**
Provision of housing solutions to 780 households for return and reintegration or local integration.
- **Sub-project BiH3**
Construction of 438 flats in multi-apartment buildings for refugees and IDPs.
- **Sub-project BiH4**
Reconstruction of 435 family houses for the return of refugees and IDPs and construction of 45 family houses for local integration of IDPs.



* Official figure as per the signed Grant Agreements. The final figure will be known at the completion of each sub-project.



IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

November 2016

BiH1	BiH1.C1	BiH1.C2		
Grant Agreement signed on 16 July 2014	Provision of building material to 20 refugee families from Croatia and reconstruction of 51 damaged houses for IDPs	Reconstruction of damaged houses for 99 returnee families		
Beneficiary selection	Completed			
Start of delivery of building material	17 March 2015			
Completion	June 2016			
Start of reconstruction works	November 2015	March 2016		
Expected completion	End of 2016	1st half of 2017		
BiH2	BiH2.C1	BiH2.C2		
Grant Agreement signed on 10 March 2015	Reconstruction of 30 family houses for refugees from Croatia to RS	Reconstruction of 750 housing units in RS and FBiH		
Beneficiary selection	Completed			
Start of reconstruction works	June 2016	2nd half of 2016		
Expected completion	1st half 2017	2nd half of 2017		
BiH3	BiH3.C1	BiH3.C2	BiH3.C3	BiH3.C4
Grant Agreement signed on 26 November 2015	Brcko District - 8 flats for IDPs	FBiH - 178 flats for IDPs	RS - 252 flats (out of which 100 flats for refugees from other Partner Countries who wish to integrate in BiH and 152 flats for IDPs)	
Beneficiary selection	Ongoing			
Start of const. works	2nd half of 2016	2nd half of 2016	November 2016	1st half of 2017
Expected completion	2nd half of 2017	1st half of 2018	1st half of 2018	1st half of 2018
BiH4	BiH4.C1	BiH4.C2	BiH4.C3	BiH4.C4
Grant Agreement signed on 3 February 2016	250 housing units for refugee returnees (in FBiH and RS)	170 housing units for IDP returnees (in FBiH and RS)	15 housing units for refugees and IDP returnees (in Brcko District)	45 housing units for local integration of IDPs (in RS)
Beneficiary Selection	Completed for FBiH, ongoing for RS			
Estimated start of reconstruction works	1st half of 2017	1st half of 2017	1st half of 2017	1st half of 2017
Expected completion	2nd half of 2017	2nd half of 2017	2nd half of 2017	2nd half of 2017



Beneficiary family in Olovo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. Left: old house; right: new house, April 2016

Watch short films about beneficiaries on [RHP Youtube channel](#)



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