



COUNTRY HOUSING PROJECT (CHP) SERBIA

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CHP AT A GLANCE

December 2016

Number of sub-projects approved

6

Number of housing units concerned

5 215

Total amount of grants approved

€ 86.7 million

Total amount of grants disbursed

€ 26.3 million

Total national contribution

€ 16.8 million*

BACKGROUND

In 1996, Serbia hosted around 540 000 refugees from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia. Return, local integration and resettlement efforts jointly conducted by national and local authorities and international counterparts had a considerable impact on these initial figures; as of May 2011, 74 486 individuals still held refugee status in Serbia. Meanwhile, almost 200 000 refugees had opted for local integration through acquiring Serbian citizenship, and 37 000 refugees had received assistance through housing solutions provided. Nevertheless, the needs that the refugees still face for durable housing solutions are still considerable and Serbia is addressing them through the Regional Housing Programme (RHP).

RHP OBJECTIVES IN SERBIA

The majority of refugees still present in Serbia consider local integration as the most suitable and accessible durable solution. The CHP in Serbia is expected to provide durable housing solutions to 16 780 vulnerable refugee households or 45 000 individuals, from the following two categories:

CATEGORY I (2%) includes all 1991-1995 refugees, regardless of their status, who are residents of collective centers or other forms of collective accommodations, either formal or informal ones.

CATEGORY II (98%) includes all 1991-1995 vulnerable refugees, accommodated privately and all former occupancy right holders without a durable solution in their country of origin or reception country.

LATEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In September 2016, the foundations were laid for the construction site in Ovca, near Belgrade, to mark the start of construction of 235 apartments.

This project, which is part of the sub-project SRB3, is the RHP's largest single construction project that is being implemented in the Partner Countries. It is a part of a larger investment programme in social housing by the City of Belgrade, which also includes a 995 apartment complex as well as other amenities such as childcare facilities, a primary school and a wastewater treatment system.

The construction works should be finalised by October 2017, with a total cost of EUR 9.8 million of which EUR 5.4 million is covered by the RHP Fund. In addition to Ovca, the sub-project SRB3 includes the provision of 80 pre-fabricated houses and 350 building material packages as well as the purchase of 50 village houses in Belgrade. All in all, five sub-projects worth around EUR 94 million are currently being implemented in Serbia, with the objective to provide over 4 700 housing solutions to most vulnerable refugees.



"The importance of this Programme goes beyond our countries' borders and proves that regional cooperation and reconciliation can bring solutions to long-term refugee problem in our region."



Ivica Dacic

Deputy Prime Minister, Foreign Minister and President of the Commission for Coordination of Permanent Refugee Integration of the Government of Serbia



FINANCIAL STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

December 2016

SRB1	SRB2	SRB3	
Provision of 64 prefabricated houses and 129 building material packages for 195 households	Support to 870 refugee families through four different housing modalities	Support to 715 refugee families through four different housing modalities	
Approval date 08/04/2013	Approval date 11/10/2013	Approval date 06/12/2013	
Total estimated cost € 2 212 500	Total estimated cost € 13 062 936	Total estimated cost € 13 642 918	
Grant amount approved € 1 993 000	Grant amount approved € 11 560 936	Grant amount approved € 10 963 918	
National contribution € 219 500 *	National contribution € 1 502 000 *	National contribution € 2 679 000 *	
Grant amount disbursed to date € 1 595 144	Grant amount disbursed to date € 5 489 900	Grant amount disbursed to date € 3 885 820	
SRB4	SRB5	SRB7	
Support to 1 233 refugee families through four different housing modalities	Support to 1 712 refugee families through three different housing modalities	Provision of minimum 490 housing solutions for beneficiaries selected under sub-projects SRB2, SRB4, SRB5	
Approval date / Extension 23/06/2014 - 14/04/2016	Approval date 20/11/2014	Approval date 01/12/2016	
Total estimated cost € 18 681 414	Total estimated cost € 46 773 758	Total estimated cost € 9 166 861	
Grant amount approved € 16 659 554	Grant amount approved € 36 348 906	Grant amount approved € 9 166 861	
National contribution € 2 021 860 *	National contribution € 10 424 852 *	National contribution -	
Grant amount disbursed to date € 3 835 100	Grant amount disbursed to date € 11 459 636	Grant amount disbursed to date -	

Top: Old home and a new pre-fabricated house, Pecinci.
Bottom: Beneficiary in Ruma

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

Total Estimated Cost	Total Grant Amount financed from the RHP Fund	Total National Contribution	Total Amount of Grants Disbursed
€ 103 540 387	€ 86 693 175	€ 16 847 212 *	€ 26 265 600

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



IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

December 2016

SRB1	SRB1.C1	SRB1.C2		
Grant Agreement signed on 14 March 2014	Provision of 64 pre-fab houses	Delivery of 129 packages of building material		
Beneficiary selection	Completed	Completed		
Start of construction works	October 2015	-		
Start of delivery of building material	-	September 2014		
Expected completion	December 2016	December 2016		
SRB2	SRB2.C1	SRB2.C2	SRB2.C3	SRB2.C4
Grant Agreement signed on 9 September 2014	Construction of 200 apartments in 9 municipalities	Provision of 120 pre-fab houses in 36 municipalities	Delivery of 300 packages of building materials in 20 municipalities	Provision of 250 village houses (VH) in 20 municipalities
Beneficiary selection	Completed	Completed	Completed	Completed
Start of const.works	January 2017	October 2016	-	-
Estimated start of delivery / Purchase of VH	-	-	December 2016	September 2016
Expected completion	December 2017	September 2017	September 2017	November 2016 *
SRB3	SRB3.C1	SRB3.C2	SRB3.C3	SRB3.C4
Grant Agreement signed on 9 September 2014	Construction of 235 apartments	Provision of 80 pre-fab houses	Delivery of 350 packages of building materials	Provision of 50 village houses (VH)
Beneficiary selection	Ongoing	Completed	Ongoing	Completed
Estimated start of const. works	August 2016	April 2017	-	-
Start of delivery / Purchase of VH	-	-	February 2017	June 2016
Expected completion	October 2017	December 2017	March 2018	September 2016 *
SRB4 **	SRB4.C1	SRB4.C2	SRB4.C3	SRB4.C4
Grant Agreement signed on 6 November 2014	Construction of 261 apartments in 13 municipalities	Construction of 81 pre-fab houses	Delivery of 562 packages of building materials	Provision of 329 village houses (VH)
Beneficiary selection	Completed	Completed	Completed	Completed
Estimated start of const. works	March 2017	October 2016	-	-
Start of delivery / Purchase of VH	-	-	June 2016	September 2016
Expected completion	February 2018	April 2018	March 2018	June 2017 *
SRB5	SRB5.C1	SRB5.C1.1	SRB5.C2	SRB5.C3
Grant Agreement signed on 14 August 2015	Construction of 1 262 apartments	Construction of 270 apartments in Belgrade	Delivery of 250 packages of building materials	Provision of 200 village houses (VH)
Beneficiary selection	Ongoing	Ongoing	Started	Started
Estimated start of const. works	March 2017	March 2017	-	-
Estimated start of delivery / Purchase of VH	-	-	September 2017	May 2017
Expected completion	August 2018	February 2018	May 2018	July 2017 *
SRB7	SRB7.C1	SRB7.C2	SRB7.C3	SRB7.C4
Grant Agreement signature pending	Purchase of 130 apartments	Purchase of 180 village houses	Provision of 180 building material packages	Provision of design services for construction of 358 apartments
Beneficiary selection	Completed	Completed	Completed	Sufficient number of beneficiaries identified
Estimated start of const. works	-	-	-	February 2017
Estimated start of delivery / Purchase of VH	February 2017	February 2017	February 2017	-
Expected completion	1st half 2018	2nd half 2017	2nd half 2018	2nd half 2017

* does not include small in kind grants for beneficiaries

** updated following extension of components C2, C3 and C4



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