



# COUNTRY HOUSING PROJECT (CHP) BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

LEAD INSTITUTION  
MINISTRY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND REFUGEES  
OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNITS:

- FEDERAL MINISTRY OF DISPLACED PERSONS AND REFUGEES (PIU FBiH)
- MINISTRY FOR REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS OF REPUBLIKA SRPSKA (PIU RS)
- THE DEPARTMENT OF BRCKO DISTRICT GOVERNMENT FOR DISPLACED PERSONS, REFUGEES AND HOUSING ISSUES

## CHP AT A GLANCE

July 2018

Number of sub-projects approved

6

Number of housing units concerned

3 192

Grants approved

€ 63 million

Grants disbursed

€ 22 million

Total national contribution

€ 11 million\*

Finished building in Prijedor, July 2018

## 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 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 in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

## REGIONAL HOUSING PROGRAMME 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, as per the original scope, 5 400 households (or 14 000 individuals) should be assisted.

## BENEFICIARY FAMILY

Salem Muharemovic (55) is a father of five children who lives with his wife Melvida and youngest daughter Emina (15) in Bosanski Petrovac. In May 2018, they moved into a new apartment building built under the Regional Housing Programme in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Salem and Melvida are originally from Bosanska Gradiska where they lived until November 1993, when they fled with their four children to Travnik and stayed in a ruined house in substandard conditions. In 1995, they came to Bosanski Petrovac where they got the fifth child. Salem says: "I do not know in how many houses we have lived in Bosanski Petrovac", and managed to list the five he remembers. Salem unwillingly talks about these relocations because, as he says, the living conditions with the children in these houses, rented from private persons, were inhumane. Since 2015, the family Muharemovic has been living in a flat owned by the municipality of Bosanski Petrovac, for a monthly rent of 51 KM. This apartment is visibly neglected and in need of repairs – there is moisture everywhere and the carpentry is worn out.

Salem is the only person in the family who is working. He works as a tractor driver for a local company. "This is the only job I can do to feed the family, and I do not even know how I manage to pay my bills," says Salem. Melvida is a housewife.

The family received a greenhouse as a donation from the municipality and intends to sign a contract with the municipality to allow them to use a plot of land to begin own production.

As beneficiaries of the newly built RHP multi-apartment building in Bosanski Petrovac, the Muharemovic family can finally put an end to constant relocations and substandard living conditions. Salem concludes: "I cannot wait for my three-year-old grandson to finally come and visit me and his grandmother in our beautiful new apartment".



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



## STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

July 2018

**BiH1**

Provision of building materials to 20 families and turnkey reconstruction assistance to 150 families

Grant approval and grant agreement signature

08/04/2013 - 16/07/2014

Total estimated cost

€ 2 668 500

Grant amount approved

€ 2 387 500

National contribution\*

€ 281 000

Grant amount disbursed

€ 2 387 500

**BiH2**

Provision of housing solutions to 780 households for return and reintegration or local integration; design of 235 houses and design/review of 380 apartments (BiH6); technical sustainability measures for BiH1, BiH2 and BiH4

Grant approval and grant agreement signature

11/10/2013 - 10/03/2015

Total estimated cost

€ 15 634 324

Grant amount approved

€ 13 634 032

National contribution\*

€ 2 000 292

Grant amount disbursed

€ 10 323 613

**BiH3**

Construction of 552 flats in multi-apartment buildings for refugees and IDPs (extended)

Grant approval and grant agreement signature

20/11/2014 - 26/11/2015

Total estimated cost

€ 17 397 433

Grant amount approved

€ 13 843 875

National contribution\*

€ 3 553 558

Grant amount disbursed

€ 7 030 867

	BiH1.C1	BiH1.C2
	Provision of building material to 20 refugee families from Croatia and re/construction of 50 damaged houses for IDPs (RS)	Re/construction of damaged houses for 100 returnee families (FBiH and RS)
Beneficiary selection	Completed	Completed
Start of project	March 2015	March 2016
Completion	Completed (2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2017)	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018



	BiH2.C1	BiH2.C2
	Re/construction of 30 family houses for local integration of refugees from Croatia in BiH (RS)	Re/construction of 750 family houses (FBiH i RS)
Beneficiary selection	Completed	Completed
Start of project	January 2016	October 2016
Completion	Completed (July 2017)	1 <sup>st</sup> half of 2019



	BiH3.C1	BiH3.C2	BiH3.C3
	Construction of 16 flats (Brčko District)	Construction of 232 flats (FBiH)	Construction of 304 flats (RS)
Beneficiary selection	Ongoing	Ongoing	Ongoing
Start of project	December 2016	December 2016	November 2016
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2019	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2019	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2019



## STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

July 2018

**BiH4**

Reconstruction of 435 family houses for the return of refugees and IDPs and construction of 90 family houses for local integration of IDPs (extended)

Grant approval and grant agreement signature

26/03/2015 - 03/02/2016

Total estimated cost

€ 9 620 371

Grant amount approved

€ 8 569 651

National contribution\*

€ 1 050 720

Grant amount disbursed

€ 2 311 200

**BiH5**

Re/construction of 50 family houses for local integration and re/construction of 500 family houses for return of refugees and IDPs

Grant approval and grant agreement signature

26/06/2017 – signature pending

Total estimated cost

€ 10 958 262

Grant amount approved

€ 10 197 423

National contribution\*

€ 760 839

Grant amount disbursed

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**BiH6**

Re/construction of 235 family houses and construction of 380 flats in multi-apartment buildings for displaced persons and returnees

Grant approval and grant agreement signature

06/06/2018 – signature pending

Total estimated cost

€ 18 220 000

Grant amount approved

€ 14 800 000

National contribution\*

€ 3 420 000

Grant amount disbursed

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	BiH4.C1	BiH4.C2	BiH4.C3	BiH4.C4
	Re/construction of 258 family houses for refugee returnees (FBiH and RS)	Re/construction of 184 family houses for IDP returnees (FBiH and RS)	Re/construction of 18 family houses for refugees and IDP returnees (Brcko district)	Construction of 65 family houses for local integration of IDPs (RS)
Beneficiary selection	Ongoing	Completed	Ongoing	Ongoing
Start of project	1 <sup>st</sup> half of 2017	1 <sup>st</sup> half of 2017	1 <sup>st</sup> half of 2017	1 <sup>st</sup> half of 2017
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2019	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2019	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2019	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2019



	BiH5.C1	BiH5.C2
	Re/construction of 50 family houses for local integration (RS)	Re/construction of 500 family houses for returnees and IDPs (180 in FBiH and 320 in RS)
Beneficiary selection	Ongoing	Ongoing
Start of project	Awaiting grant agreement signature	Awaiting grant agreement signature
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2020



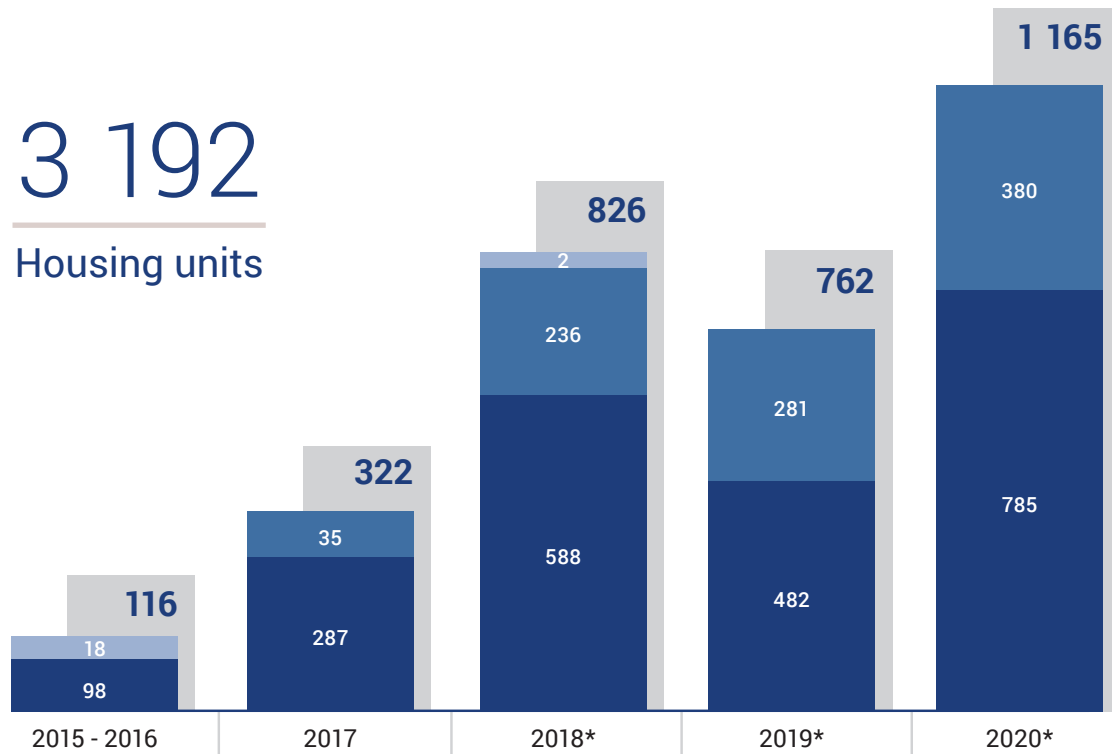
	BiH6.C1	BiH6.C2
	Reconstruction, completion, extension or construction of 235 family houses (RS)	Construction of 380 apartments (RS and FBiH)
Beneficiary selection	Ongoing	Ongoing
Start of project	Awaiting grant agreement signature	Awaiting grant agreement signature
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2020



## DELIVERIES BY HOUSING MODALITY

# 3 192

### Housing units



■ Reconstruction of houses  
 ■ Construction of apartments  
 ■ Provision of building material  
  Totals  
 \* Estimate

## CONTACT DETAILS

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The Regional Housing Programme (RHP) was set up to provide durable housing solutions to vulnerable refugees and displaced persons following the 1991-1995 conflicts on the territory of former Yugoslavia. The RHP is implemented by Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro and Serbia and mostly financed by the international donor community. The main donor is the European Union. The other donors are the United States of America, Germany, Norway, Italy, Switzerland, Denmark, Turkey, Luxembourg, Spain, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania and the Slovak Republic.