



# COUNTRY HOUSING PROJECT (CHP) MONTENEGRO

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WELFARE

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**CHP AT A GLANCE**  
October 2017

Number of sub-projects approved

**6**

Number of housing units concerned

**481**

Grants approved

**€ 16.0 million**

Grants disbursed

**€ 10.9 million**

Total national contribution

**€ 2.3 million**

Finished buildings in the Konik settlement, September 2017

## BACKGROUND

Over the past 20 years, Montenegro has provided shelter to displaced persons from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia, as well as to internally displaced persons (IDPs) from Kosovo. While some of the displaced persons and IDPs have already integrated locally, most of them are still in need of durable housing solutions due to their extreme socio-economic vulnerability.

The Montenegrin Government has over the years constructed some 1 300 housing units with the support of international donors; however, this has not been enough to cover the needs. In 2011, the Government of Montenegro adopted the National Strategy for Durable Solutions for Displaced and Internally Displaced Persons, with special emphasis on the Konik area. The Strategy has created a framework for the permanent and sustainable resolution of displacement issues in Montenegro.

## RHP OBJECTIVES IN MONTENEGRO

In Montenegro, the Regional Housing Programme (RHP) is expected to provide durable housing solutions to the most vulnerable displaced and internally displaced persons through local integration (5 973 families) or within institutions of the social welfare system (90 families). In total, as per the original scope, 1 177 households (or 6 063 individuals) should benefit from the RHP.

## BENEFICIARY FAMILY

*Konik, a local community located five kilometres from the capital of Montenegro Podgorica, is the largest refugee camp in the Balkans, settled by Roma and Egyptians who left Kosovo after the conflict in 1999 and came to Montenegro.*

Hadzi Paljaci came from Pec, Kosovo, in 1999 with his wife and four children. Today, he has another four children and supports the entire 10-member family from the salary he gets as a Konik construction site guard. His eldest, 20-year old son, helps him whenever he can. When they arrived in Konik, they lived in an improvised hut built from scraps of wood, tin and rubbish. Today, they all live together in a small container which they received as immediate assistance when the tent they lived in burned down in the fire during the summer of 2012, leaving them and the other camp tenants without any belongings, once again.

The containers that they received after the fire were equipped with water and electricity installations, fridges, stoves and basic furniture, providing some form of a decent life to the residents.

Hadzi's younger children go to school regularly, thanks to the transportation which is organised to the city schools. After working hours, the tenants of the camp gather in a community centre and play chess, domino or cards, listen to the music and chat.

In December 2015, the project for the construction of 48 apartments and a community centre for the tenants of the Konik camp, financed through IPA 2007-2013 funds, was completed and the tenants moved into their new homes. The rest of the families from the camp will get housing assistance through the RHP - the construction of 171 new housing units will allow the final closure of the camp in 2018.

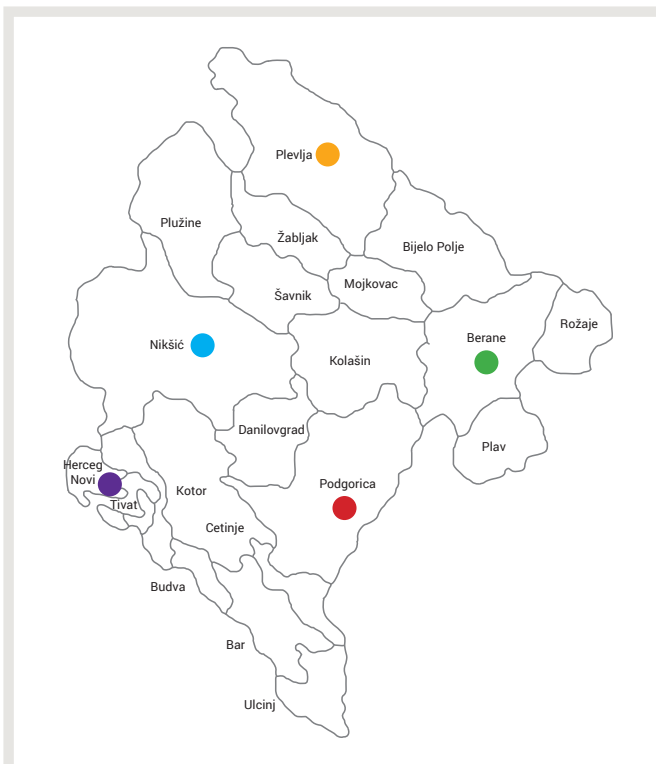




## FINANCIAL STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

October 2017

MNE1	MNE2	MNE3	MNE4	MNE7	MNE8
Construction of two blocks of flats for 62 I/DP families in Nikšić	Provision of housing to 171 most vulnerable families from camp Konik 1 and its surroundings, through construction of 17 buildings in the city of Podgorica	Construction of a home for 68 elderly/handicapped persons in Pljevlja	Construction of 94 apartments for 271 persons in the municipality of Berane	Purchase of 36 apartments in the municipality of Herceg Novi	Construction of minimum 50 individual houses in various municipalities in Montenegro
Grant approval and grant agreement signature 08/04/2013 - 06/03/2014	Grant approval and grant agreement signature 11/10/2013 - 07/10/2014; extension 07/09/2016	Grant approval and grant agreement signature 11/10/2013 - 07/10/2014	Grant approval and grant agreement signature 20/11/2014 - 28/10/2015	Grant approval and grant agreement signature 01/12/2016 - 29/09/2017	Grant approval and grant agreement signature 01/12/2016 - 29/09/2017
Total estimated cost € 2 580 000	Total estimated cost € 6 906 750	Total estimated cost € 2 231 716	Total estimated cost € 3 990 647	Total estimated cost € 1 065 305	Total estimated cost € 1 544 694
Grant amount approved € 1 980 000	Grant amount approved € 6 226 622	Grant amount approved € 1 918 572	Grant amount approved € 3 575 780	Grant amount approved € 918 007	Grant amount approved € 1 394 694
National contribution € 600 000	National contribution € 680 128	National contribution € 313 144	National contribution € 414 867	National contribution € 147 298	National contribution € 150 000
Grant amount disbursed € 1 599 938	Grant amount disbursed € 5 287 076	Grant amount disbursed € 1 709 446	Grant amount disbursed € 2 348 899	Grant amount disbursed -	Grant amount disbursed -



**Sub-project MNE1**

Construction of two blocks of flats for 62 I/DP families in Nikšić

**Sub-project MNE2**

Provision of housing to 171 most vulnerable families from camp Konik 1 and its surroundings, through construction of 17 buildings in the city of Podgorica

**Sub-project MNE3**

Construction of a home for 68 elderly/handicapped persons in Pljevlja

**Sub-project MNE4**

Construction of 94 apartments for 271 persons in the Municipality of Berane

**Sub-project MNE7**

Purchase of 36 apartments in the municipality of Herceg Novi

**Sub-project MNE8**

Construction of minimum 50 individual houses in various municipalities in Montenegro

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



## IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

October 2017

<b>MNE1</b>	Construction of two blocks of flats for 62 I/DP families in Niksic	
Beneficiary Selection	Completed	
Start of construction works	May 2015	
<b>Completion</b>	<b>May 2016</b>	



<b>MNE2</b>	Provision of housing to 171 most vulnerable families from camp Konik 1 and its surroundings, through construction of 17 buildings in the city of Podgorica	
Beneficiary Selection	Completed	
<b>120 flats:</b>		
Start of construction works	March 2016	
<b>Completion</b>	<b>October 2017</b>	
<b>Additional 51 flats:</b>		
Start of construction works	May 2017	
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018	

Beneficiary Selection	Completed	
Start of construction works	March 2016	
<b>Completion</b>	<b>October 2017</b>	
<b>Additional 51 flats:</b>		
Start of construction works	May 2017	
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018	

<b>MNE3</b>	Construction of a home for 68 elderly/handicapped persons in Pljevlja	
Beneficiary Selection	Pre-selected	
Start of construction works	May 2016	
Expected completion	December 2017	

<b>MNE4</b>	Construction of 94 apartments for 271 persons in the municipality of Berane	
Beneficiary Selection	Pre-selected	
Start of construction works	February 2017	
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018	

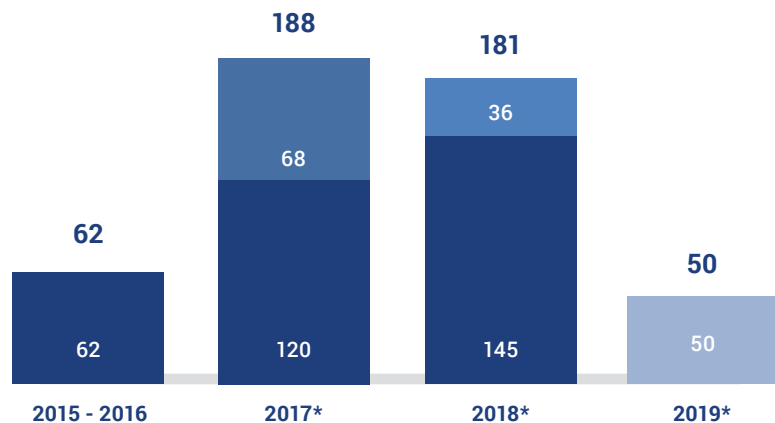
<b>MNE7</b>	Purchase of 36 apartments in the municipality of Herceg Novi	
Beneficiary selection	Pre-selected	
Start of construction works	-	
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018	

<b>MNE8</b>	Construction of minimum 50 individual houses in various municipalities in Montenegro	
Beneficiary selection	Pre-selected	
Start of construction works	-	
Expected completion	1 <sup>st</sup> half of 2019	

### Deliveries by Housing Modality

481  
Housing units

- Construction of houses
- Purchase of apartments
- Home for elderly
- Construction of flats



\* Estimate



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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, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania and the Slovak Republic.