

NEWSLETTER

Kosova – Women 4 Women,

as per the recommendations of the relevant institutions, closed down the offices from March 13th to June 1st 2020 – while continuing most of its activities in the form of working from home. With the financial and administrative support from our donors we were able to continue our work very efficiently, thus we were able to work with:

165 Women

As part of support networks with and regular communication in groups (through Viber groups and Zoom meetings)

33 women

Who participated in online vocational trainings

50 businesses

That participated in online trainings for businesses

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As part of debates and discussions with on property rights (through Viber groups and two organized Zoom workshops)

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Who were supported and guided in the production of handicrafts

135 womer

Who participated in our surveys as part of M&E activities

"Crafting Lives"

Within the framework of the project "Crafting Lives" that is funded by the German Government through GIZ Kosovo, we have conducted online sessions for the vocational trainings Child care and Maintenance and Handcrafts. Furthermore, we have provided support to women who have started the production of handcrafts to be sold on balkanspring.com.



"Women's Opportunities in Market, Economy and Networking"

In the framework of the project "Women's Opportunities in Market, Economy and Networking"- WOMEN, financed by the Government of Germany through the GIZ Kosovo program we held trainings as part of capacity building for the beneficiaries of the project. We have also worked on the developing of the brand 'Women Owned Business'. As the result there have been held three consecutive trainings online with the topics: "Legal Framework for the Regulation of Labor Relations in Kosovo", "Human Resources and Labor Law" and "Entrepreneurial Skills". This has been rewarded with a huge number of the beneficiaries of the project during the trainings and with the successful launching of the WOB brand as a common platform for women in business.

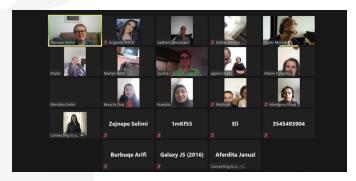


3 "I See"

During the time of lockdown with the project "I See" Improved Self-Employment & Employment Opportunities we worked on desk research on market need assessment with focus on needs for vocations and skills necessary of the labor market and trainings. The project is funded by Austrian Development Agency (ADA) with funds of Austrian Development Cooperation.

5 "Stand for HER Property"

The "Stand for HER Property" project funded by ATRC has effectively continued. We have virtually organized three open discussions on the topic "Benefits and challenges from the realization of property rights and inheritance" with more than 65 participants from various municipalities throughout Kosova. Success story posters were shared on our Facebook page on a weekly basis, each poster incorporated a woman who has claimed her rights in property and inheritance, by sharing her own positive experience especially in times of a pandemic. An economic expert has been preparing small business plans with the eligible women for receiving the incentive. Free Legal Aid Agency's services work was promoted by publishing various video commercials and posters on property rights



"Improved Self-Employment & Employment opportunities in Viti"

A portion of the budget for the project "Improved Self-Employment & Employment opportunities in Viti" which is part of the ReLOaD programme, funded by European Union and implemented by UNDP in Kosovo, we have spent to provide hygiene packages and protective tools to schools in Viti. Preparations for trainings at the field took place during this period so the work at the field could start immediately after the lockdown or if needed they could be organized online.



'Integrated Social and Economic Empowerment for Marginalized Women in Kosovo"

Within project 'Integrated Social and Economic Empowerment for Marginalized Women in Kosovo", supported by Cartier Philanthropy and also through funds granted by Women for Women International, we have transitioned to virtual collaboration with 249 participants in various municipalities throughout Kosova. The key activity for this period includes awareness raising campaign of Covid-19 by providing women information about disease prevention and sharing photos of the participants with the messages. The trainers prepared the "Crisis Curricula" with the topics: Economic crisis; Healthy food; Family violence; Savings; and Stress during Covid-19



"She has Rights"

Within the project "She has Rights" funded by the US Embassy we have developed a handbook with basic concepts and information on the functioning of local government, women's involvement in decision-making processes and best practices with basic knowledge on Advocacy. This handbook will be distributed to women in three municipalities

Women's Economic Forum and KFOS

As part of Women's Economic Forum we have been granted a project by KFOS, to provide direct assistance to women that have lost their jobs in the informal sector due to the pandemic