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| **Project information** | |
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| CALL FOR PROPOSALS | 2 |
| e-MS Code: | RORS-284 |
| PRIORITY AXIS: | 1 Employment promotion and services for an inclusive growth |
| OBJECTIVE: | 1.2 Health and social infrastructure |
| PROJECT TITLE: | **Banat 112- fast response to a unique challenge** |
| ACRONYM: | Banat 112 |
| DURATION[[1]](#footnote-1): | 17.01.2023 – 31.12.2023 (11 months and 15 days) |
| Interreg-IPA  FUNDS CONTRACTED: | €652.820,26 |
| TOTAL FUNDS CONTRACTED: | €768.023,85 |
| ABSORPTION RATE (%)[[2]](#footnote-2): | Will be updated after the final progress report is approved. |
| PROJECT OBJECTIVE(S): | Both local governments (Jimbolia in Romania and Kikinda in Serbia) have established institutions of primary health protection. Since they possess significant jurisdiction in primary healthcare, they must also enable the proper functioning of their health institutions by:   * improving the capacity of professional medical services. * raising elementary medical knowledge and skills of local citizens. |
| SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT: | “Banat 112 - fast response to a unique challenge” is a project that includes two twin towns, Kikinda and Jimbolia, and the Red Cross organization from Kikinda. Starting from similar challenges that burden all three project partners and having in mind their competencies, jurisdictions and needs, they created a project whose overall goal was to improve local healthcare systems in Kikinda and Jimbolia, especially in the area of emergency and first aid medicine. There are several reasons for such a choice of topic. Firstly, the demographic structure and trends of Kikinda’s and Jimbolia’s population continuously put heavier pressure on their medical emergency services. Second, the geographical dispersion of their population demands further enhancement of emergency medical services, i.e. their mobility and speed of action. Thirdly, insufficient funding and perennial neglect have left emergency healthcare services in a state where equipment and human resources investment is a must rather than just a matter of choice. Adding a low level of knowledge and skills of the local population on first aid assistance, we can see how underdeveloped the emergency healthcare system is. In that context, we could conclude that neither the population nor the relevant authorities are ready for potential cross-border health threats. All those reasons motivated the partners to design and implement this project. Since both local governments have established institutions of primary health protection (Kikinda is a founder of “Health centre Kikinda” and Jimbolia of “Dr Karl Diel” Hospital) and since they possess significant jurisdiction in primary healthcare, both of them, according to national legislations, also must enable proper functioning of their health institutions. In that sense, the project “Banat 112” will try to accomplish several results:  1. Increased quality and availability of primary health care in Kikinda and Jimbolia.  2. Established cooperation among medical personnel from Kikinda and Jimbolia.  3. Improved first aid skills among the youth population in the border area.  By fulfilling those results, the project expects to reach several primary beneficiaries: medical staff - who will gain better working conditions; the youth population - who will gain new, applicable and beneficial knowledge and skills; all citizens of Kikinda and Jimbolia - who will achieve a higher quality of medical care.  To sum up, this project includes several sets of mutually complementary activities. In that sense, all project partners will be responsible for activities where they are the most competent. In such a way, all participants will learn from each other, contributing to better local primary healthcare systems in Kikinda and Jimbolia. |
| TARGETED INDICATORS[[3]](#footnote-3): | 400 citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services.  1 investment in health care and social services infrastructure.  50 disadvantaged persons involved in projects activities.  98.000 - population covered by improved health services.  30 participants in projects promoting gender equality, equal opportunities and social inclusion across borders. |
| TARGETED RESULTS: | 400 pupils gained new knowledge and skills on first aid assistance.  Three institutions equipped with necessary technical resources to perform local healthcare services in scope of their regular job and jurisdiction.  Two health institutions with minimum 30 doctors/physicians and paramedics participated in joint cross-border knowledge exchange. |
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| **Partnership information** |  | | | | |
|  |  | COUNTRY | COUNTY/DISTRICT | BUDGET(EURO) | CONTACT DETAILS |
| LEAD PARTNER: | City of Kikinda | Serbia | Northern Banat | 349.370,70 | 12 Trg srpskih dobrovoljaca, 26300, Kikinda  predsednik@kikinda.org.rs |
| PARTNER 2: | Municipality of Jimbolia | Romania | Timis | 399.990,15 | 81 Tudor Vladimirescu street, 305400, Jimbolia  primar.postelnicu@jimbolia.ro |
| PARTNER 3: | Red Cross Serbia - Red Cross Vojvodina - Red Cross Kikinda | Serbia | Northern Banat | 18.663,00 | 4 Nemanjina, 26300, Kikinda  kikinda@redcross.org.rs |

1. the implementation period (including extensions) [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. total funds spent/total funds contracted \*100 [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. indicators and level of achievement against targets set [↑](#footnote-ref-3)