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Grant Application
Small Grants Program
Tirana Country Office, WORLD BANK

Executive Summary (Please type using no more than one page)

1. **Date:** 28.02.2006
2. **Name of organization:** Women Association with Social Problems
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7. Mission statement of the applicant organization:

- To protect women rights as a part of human rights.
- To increase the public women image, her presence in the politic and public life.
- To develop the alternations and possibilities, to strength the position of women in community.

8. Purpose of funding request and how this activity relates to civic engagement and social accountability:

The purpose of funding request is related to the encouragement of the women to participate in the process of decision making in their community.

The activities will aim the increasing of civil engagement and social accountability. As a result of this initiative women of these areas will be not only aware of their area problems, but also more motivated to bring up changes in the situation of their community. Woman of Spitalle and Porto Romano areas (suburb areas of Durres city) will take by themselves initiatives to protect women interests of this community.

9. Target population and number benefiting from the proposed activity:

Target group: 200 women of Spitalle and Porto Romano areas. The main parts of this target group are women who are new inhabitants in these areas, who have migrated by the rural areas of Albania during the last years. These women are very influenced by their social and cultural tradition of their origin country.

10. Expected outcomes from the activity:

- Local capacity building related to the analysis, evaluation and concrete actions in order to protect women interests of this community.
- Continuously engagement and collaboration between the members of Spitalle and Porto Romano communities.
- Potentials' strengthening of the community members toward the decision making processes.

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11. Plans for learning and knowledge sharing:

The experience and knowledge acquired by the Women Leadership Network will be transmitted during the meetings that this network will organize. After the project implementation this network will organize continuous meetings with small groups composed by community members (Spitale and Porto Romano areas) aiming their active participation in issues related with their community.

12. Period this funding request will cover: 1 year


13. Amount of request (Details under Activity Income): 3530\$

- Staff salaries- 1050\$
- Operative cost- 600\$
- Public awareness campaign- 1730\$
- Monitoring – 100\$
- Translation- 50\$

14. If your organization has received previous support from the World Bank, please list the year, amount, and describe for what purpose:

“Women with social Problems Association” has received support from the World Bank for the project “Help of Civil Society for the third age” during 2000. The amount for the implementation of this project has been 12,000\$.

15. Authorizing signature of the applicant organization’s executive director or board chair:

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 Name (print): Bajana Cevoli

Title: Chairwoman of the association

Purpose of the Grant

16. Describe briefly the need or issue you will address. Include a description of the constituency served (including number participating) and how they will participate/benefit?

Economic, cultural and politic changes occurred in Albania in this last decade, had their impact even in the social life of the suburb areas of Durres city. These problems are deeper in the suburb areas cause of the conditions they live. The changes have more influence into the groups defined like vulnerable ones of the society, whom haven't all the possibilities to fulfill their desires and needs. These problems are increased also by the lack of institutions offering services for these target groups.

The area where the project will be implemented is one of the most problematic of Durres city- region no.4 Spitalle and Porto Romano areas. In these areas are included 3.875 families with 16.246 habitants where 60% of the habitants have migrated from different rural areas of Albania, mostly from north-east areas.

Except of economic problems, bad living conditions and unlivable houses, the community of these areas has a lot of social problems decreasing even more the situation where they are like: unemployment (85% women and 15% men), emigration (27% of the area population), lack of appropriate educational institutions, difficult economic situation(44.5% of the population are in

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poverty), mentality etc. Most of them are unemployed and the children do not attend the school, having in this way difficulty in their integration in the city life. Also in this area live a great number of divorced women or widows (8%), whom are powerless to take care of their children.

In this areas there is none NGO practicing its activity, except our association that exercise its activity since four years. Also the local government has undertaken a few special policies to soften social problems of these areas.

In general, Albanian women continuously are faced with obstacles to be involved in decision making process in the community. The main obstacles to woman development and her involvement are the social structures and the processes they create heredities and assimilate males' superiority and women inferiority. Limited access to sources and the little possibility to create incomes through personal activities, limits all the women capacities only inside the family.

Low social-economical status and the unequal rights, also limit the women not to influence in the decisions taken in the community.

Often the women, in the rural and suburb areas are used with typical females roles and are frightened and unable to participate in the issues and decisions related with the community. Their family education, economic and social conditions, mentality and traditional attitudes, limited possibilities for education, model-roles that are learned through the life in the community, geographical position etc, are all factors that have influence in not involvement of women in the communities activities.

To soften this situation our project aims to enhance the active participation of women in the protection of the women interests of this area. Through the workshops, seminars, and meetings that will be organized during the project, the women that will participate will be able to define their needs, purposes and strategies and they will be able to decide which will be their direction of development, actually and in the future.

17. How will the proposed activity promote civic engagement and social accountability?

Through the implementation of this project we aim the increasing of civil engagement that it will include not only the community compatibility with laws and institutions legitimacy, but also the readiness of each member to be an active part of the decision making process in the community. As result of this project the target group will be more aware about the necessity of their involvement in order to protect the community interests, considering it not only as a local and central government obligation but also as theirs too. The established network will be part of the advocacy campaigns related with the protection of the interests of women of this community. The project implementation will stimulate women of Spitalle and Porto Romano areas to see themselves as active participators in the process of defending their interests.

As a result of the efforts to fulfill the interests of women of these areas, this network will be aware of the community needs and especially of those of women. The network will be more aware for the right actions that must be undertaken in order to increase the continuously engagement and collaboration between the members of the community.

18. List the activity goal(s) and measurable objective(s).

- a. Women' awareness on their role in the decision making process in the community.
- b. Women fully equipped with the needed capacity and confidence to analyze their situation, to come into a common solution, to take resolutions and to take actions related with these solutions in order to improve their situation

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- c. The encouragement of women of these areas to be an active part in the decision making processes in the community

19. Is the activity new or ongoing on the part of the applicant organization? If the activity is ongoing, how will your organization support this activity in the future?

The activity planned by our association is new in its kind. This initiative is not undertaken before in these areas by any other institution or organization.

20. Provide a brief timetable for implementation of activity.

1. First stage (April-June 2005)

- Presentation of the project' goals and objectives.
- Preparation of the leaflets on decision making processes in the community.
- Meetings with women of Spitalle and Porto Romano areas (4 meetings for each month) in order to establish a leadership network and to aware the target group on the necessity of the women involvement in the community life. In this meetings will participate 20 persons. Different specialists will organize the meetings in the association premises.

2. Second stage (July-September 2005)

- Presentation of the women network to the members of the community.
- Workshops with women of the network with the purpose to increase their capabilities and knowledge about the civil engagement. During this phase we will organize 6 workshops in total (2 workshops for each month).
- Two days seminar with the representatives of the leadership network on theme: "Advocacy and Lobbying".
- One day seminar on the "Sustainability plan" of the project

21. What other organizations, if any, will be participating in the activity? Describe their roles.

There are no other organizations.

22. List the names and qualifications of key staff/volunteers responsible for activity implementation.

Nr.	Name/Surname	Qualification
1.	Bajana Cevoli	Psychologist
2.	Edlira Ngjeci	Social Worker
3.	Albana Gojani	Jurist
4.	Elda Kalaja	Jurist
5.	Kasia Tati	Social Science and Politics.

Evaluation

23. Please list the specific outcomes of your activity. What assessment methods/strategies will you use to track and measure outcomes? (e.g. interviews, surveys, focus groups, community feedback, etc.)

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- Establishing of the women network that will represent women of Spitalle and Porto Romano areas.
- More aware women about their role in the decision making processes in the community.
- Capably women to undertake advocacy campaign in order to protect their interests.
- Motivated women to be an active part in the decision making processes in their community.

24. Describe briefly what will be different at the end of the grant period.

As result of the project implementation there will be a consistent structure that will be coherent with the community needs, especially those of women, when women can refers for their needs. The established network will represent the voice of the community of these areas in the different structures of Local Government with the purpose to protect the community interests. During the project implementation we will undertake an advocacy campaign that will aware the Local Government for the necessity for the improvement of Spitalle and Porto Romano areas and about the drafting of social policies in favor to this community.

25. How will the activity's results be used and/or disseminated?

The leadership network will continue to work with women of Spitalle and Porto Romano community in order to aware them about their capacities and human values. The representatives of the network will continue to organize meetings with women of these areas on different issues related with their primary needs.

Activity Income

26. Total applicant contribution.

a. In kind (describe):

US\$ 5300

b. Cash:

US\$ _____

Total: US\$ 5300

27. Funding leveraged by applicant from other donors:

(List all sources and give estimated amounts)

Source

Amount

a. Kvinna till Kvinna

US\$ 4008

Total: US\$ 4008

28. Total requested from the World Bank:

US\$ 3530\$

29. Total activity income from all sources:

US\$ 12838 \$

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		Description	unit	No/unit	cost/unit	Kvinna till Kvinna	Aplicant organization	World Bank	Total
1	A	Project coordinator	month	6	150,0\$				
	C	Financier	month	6	60,0\$			900,0\$	900,0\$
		Subtotal:						150,0\$	150,0\$
2	A	Rent of office	month	6	300,0\$	1.800,0\$		1.050,0\$	1.050,0\$
	B	Tel. email	month	18	10,0\$	180,0\$			1.800,0\$
	D	fuel	month	6	140,0\$	840,0\$			180,0\$
	E	driver	month	6	100,0\$	600,0\$			840,0\$
	F	Stationary	month						600,0\$
	G	Black Printer ink	piece	2	125,0\$	250,0\$		500,0\$	500,0\$
	H	Photocopy ink	piece	4	32,0\$	128,0\$			250,0\$
	I	Colours printer ink	piece	2	105,0\$	210,0\$			128,0\$
	J	Photos development							210,0\$
		Subtotal:						100,0\$	100,0\$
3		public awareness casmpaign				4.008,0\$		600,0\$	4.608,0\$
	A	leaflets	piece	800	0,5\$				
	C	Transport for meetings	persons	170	1\$			400,0\$	400,0\$
	D	Refreshment for meetings	persons	170	1\$			170,0\$	170,0\$
	F	Refreshment for workshopes	persons	170	1\$			170,0\$	170,0\$
	G	Transport for workshopes	persons	170	1\$			170,0\$	170,0\$
		Subtotal:						170,0\$	170,0\$
		Seminar						1.080,0\$	1.080,0\$
	B	refreshment for participants	days	3x30personsx2.5\$				200,0\$	200,0\$
	C	Transport for participants	days	3daysx30persons	1\$			90\$	90\$
	D	fee for lektor	days	2 personsx3days	\$60,00				
		Subtotal						360,0\$	360,0\$
		Monitoring						\$650,00	\$650,00
		Translation						\$100,00	\$100,00
		Subtotal:						\$50,00	\$50,00
	A	Car	month	12				150,0\$	150,0\$
5	B	compjuter	piece	3	500,0\$		2.000,0\$		2.000,0\$
	C	flipcart	piece		120,0\$		1.500,0\$		1.500,0\$
	D	overproject	piece	1	240,0\$		120,0\$		120,0\$
	E	clip board	piece	1	240,0\$		240,0\$		240,0\$
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	<u>F</u>	fotocopy	piece	1		1.200,0\$		1.200,0\$
		Subtotal				5.300,0\$		5.300,0\$
		Total of the project				\$4.008,00	\$5.300,00	\$3.530,00

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