



## COUNTRY HOUSING PROJECT MONTENEGRO

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**CHP AT A GLANCE**  
May 2017

Start of construction works on 94 housing units in Berane, April 2017

Number of sub-projects approved

6

Number of housing units concerned

481

Grants approved

€ 16.0 million

Grants disbursed

€ 9.4 million

Total national contribution

€ 2.3 million

### 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 started to locally integrate, 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

Arben Ajvazi fled with his parents and siblings from Kosovo Polje in 1999 and came to Podgorica, where they settled in one of Konik Camp's tents. He had one severely ill brother and had to leave school in the third grade, in order to help his family. He remained illiterate until he was 19, when he made a deal with the Red Cross employees working in Konik: they promised to offer him a job if he finished school. Arben used this opportunity and became a Red Cross assistant, helping with the organisation of workshops, accompanying children to school, mediating between the Camp families in their disputes...

Arben lives with his wife and two children in a container, while his parents got an apartment in a building at the vicinity of the Camp. Arben's six-year-old son is autistic

and spends most of the time at his grandparents, as the living conditions in a container without bathroom and with improvised kitchen are not adequate for this child's needs.

Arben is convinced that education is essential for this community's younger members, in order to overcome the isolation and prejudice and become equal members of the society. He helps the Camp's pupils in doing their homework, assists in distributing books and clothes and participates actively in youth workshops organised regularly in the Red Cross premises. This young man has now only one wish – to provide decent living conditions for all the members of his family, so that they may stay together.

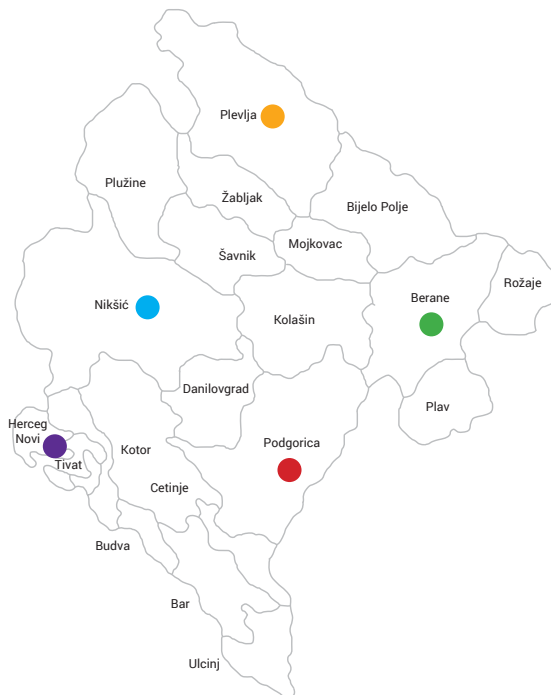




## FINANCIAL STATUS OF SUB-PROJECTS

May 2017

MNE1	MNE2	MNE3	MNE4	MNE7	MNE8
Construction of two blocks of flats for 62 I/DP families in Niksic	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 -	Grant approval and grant agreement signature 01/12/2016 -
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 € 1 600 000	Grant amount disbursed € 5 287 076	Grant amount disbursed € 1 709 446	Grant amount disbursed € 834 753	Grant amount disbursed -	Grant amount disbursed -



Start of construction works on 51 apartments in Konik, May 2017.

### ● Sub-project MNE1

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

### ● 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

May 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	
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Beneficiary Selection	Pre-selected
Start of construction works	March 2016
Expected completion	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2017 for 120 flats

**Additional 51 flats:**

Start of construction works	May 2017
Expected completion	1 <sup>st</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	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2017	

<b>MNE4</b>	Construction of 94 apartments for 271 persons in the municipality of Berane	
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Beneficiary Selection	Pre-selected
Start of construction works	February 2017
Expected completion	1 <sup>st</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	Grant Agreement signature pending	
Expected completion	1 <sup>st</sup> half of 2018	

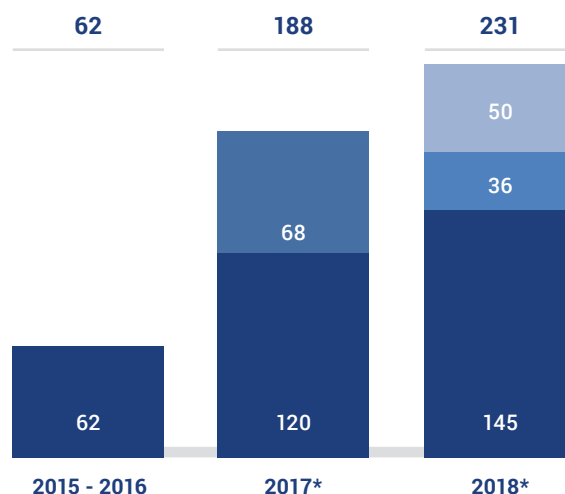
<b>MNE8</b>	Construction of minimum 50 individual houses in various municipalities in Montenegro	
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Beneficiary selection	Pre-selected
Start of construction works	Grant Agreement signature pending
Expected completion	1 <sup>st</sup> half of 2018

### 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.