

## **Kosovo Women's Fund Allocates 29 Grants Amounting to Over €214,000**

On 22 May, the Kosovo Women's Network (KWN) held an Orientation Session on which occasion it awarded 29 grants within the Kosovo Women's Fund (KWF), amounting to a total of €214,755.

More specifically, 29 grants were allocated within this round with support of: The Sigrid Rausing Trust for core support in amount of €125,511 for 13 grants. The Austrian Development Agency (ADA) and co-funded by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) through the Embassy of Sweden in Pristina, as part of the initiative "Further Advancing Women's Rights in Kosovo II" in amount of

€69,245.70 for 14 grants. By the European Union Office in Kosovo (EU) via KWN's initiative: "Enhancing the Capacities and Resilience of CSO's: Furthering Gender Equality Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic in amount of €19,998 for 2 grants.

### **SRT supported grant beneficiaries include:**

- Handikos Mitrovica - €10,000.00
- OPDMK, Organizata për Distrofi Muskulore e Kosovës - € 9,880
- Blind Women of Kosova Committee - €10,000
- Youth Association for Human Rights - €10,000
- Lawyers Association Norma - €9,998
- Women's Inclusion Center - €9,997
- Mitrovica Women Association for Human Rights - €9,885
- Rrjeti i Organizatave të Grave Rome Ashkali dhe Egjiptiane të Kosovës - RROGRAEK - €4,325
- Shoqata Ndërkomunale e të Verbërve Prizren - € 5,000
- MEDICA KOSOVA (MK) - €10,000
- Centar Manjinske Zajednice - €9,991
- Sundimi i Demokracisë në Kosovë - SDK - €9,998
- She Solutions / Ajo Zgjidhje - €10,000

### **ADA supported grant beneficiaries include:**

- Youth Association for Human Rights – with the initiative "Awareness raising and advocacy for quality health care" (€4,999.95).
- Women's Alliance for Integration with the initiative, "Mobilization of Roma, Ashkali and Egyptian women and girls for mental and sexual health rights" (€ 5,000)
- Ura Sociale - Promotion of quality education & transformation of traditional gender norms – (€ 4,497)
- Humanus Vita – with the initiative "Incorporating sexual education and challenging stereotypes towards transforming gender norms through education" (€ 4,916.00)
- Have Hope -with the initiative "Protecting the health of women and girls - raising awareness about cancer in women" (€ 5,000).
- Medica Kosova -
- Hendikos Mitrovica- with the initiative of empowering women and girls with disabilities. A comprehensive approach to reproductive health (€ 5,000.00)
- Committee of Blind Women of Kosovo - with the initiative "Inclusive education for blind and visually impaired children" (€ 4,998.75)

- MEDICA KOSOVA (MK) with the initiative "Examination of perception in secondary education about wartime sexual violence and stereotypes related to sexual violence and gender-based violence" (€5,000)
- Follow up with the initiative "Analysis of the school curriculum and educational forms on sexual consent in secondary schools" (€ 5,000)
- NGO "Drugëza" with the initiative "Increasing women's access to quality health care" (€5,000)
- Woman farmer with the initiative "Promotion of primary health care for women in rural areas" (€4,995)
- Moravski Biser with the initiative "Equal health care for all" (€4,971)
- Center for Education and Community Development - Friends with the initiative "Cancer survivors advocate for the improvement of health/oncology services in the Municipality of Mitrovica" (€5,000)
- EcoKosWomen EKW with the initiative "Promotion of health care: necessary part of life" (€4,934)

**EU supported grant beneficiaries include:**

- The Ideas Partnership with the initiative "Empowerment of Roma, Ashkali and Egyptian women and youth on advocacy and health education" (€ 9,998.00)
- Network of Organizations for Rural Development of Kosovo – NORDK with the initiative "Enhancing Socio-Economic Empowerment of Rural Women" (€10,000).

KWN's KWF provides small grants to women's organizations that do not have access to other sources of funding and who seek to work for women's rights, especially for groups working in rural areas and/or marginalized persons. Since 2012, KWF has allocated 281 grants, thus supporting 153 organizations, by a total amount of €1,691,822. In 2023, the KWF is supported by the EU, the Austrian Development Agency (ADA), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the Sigrid Rausing Trust.