

## Bilaga 1:

**CURE Foundation** is a feminist activist organization that advocates for positive social change through educational, artistic and cultural and research programs.

CURE Foundation is a nonprofit organization that works for gender equality and gender and across B&H and the region. Providing affirmative action we celebrate the strength and power of women, and working to empower people to become drivers of social change in B&H and abroad. In 2005, we had registered a feminist activist foundation called CURE. Feminist activism has provided us with a safe space where women are survivors, strong, fearless and capable, united with all their diversity. We want engraved in consciousness of every individual the attitude that violence is unacceptable, it is the responsibility of all members of society to stop violence in all forms. From the start, CURE is a organization of volunteers and professionals who go out on the streets in a sign of public protest against violence, discrimination, violations of law and fundamental human rights, organize performances against violence, invite artists, apprentices, educators, activists, the citizens to action and personal contribution to creating a better and healthier B&H society. During our work we cooperate with the representatives of women's formal and informal groups from B&H, feminists from the feminist community from B&H, and a very important cooperation is with the feminist groups from the region, regardless of the fact if they work on the field of women's human rights through legal advice, campaigns, artistic performances, politic, publishing or research work.

### **CURE Foundation PROJECTS**

#### **Gender based violence: A view from a different angle: Violence in youth relationships**

The project will focus on working with young women, research, and work with the public and institutions on gender-based violence, as well as street actions aimed at strengthening the Young activists network.

**A new generation of feminists and activists in Bosnia and Herzegovina** is a project that arose from the need to include a new generation of activists and feminists, with the new focus of actions in bh. society, in the revival of the women's movement in B&H, who will continue to strengthen the women's movement in B&H through a variety of activities.

#### **Young women – agents of positive social change**

CURE Foundation together with partner organizations Autonomous Women Centre (AWC) from Belgrade and CESI (Centre for Education, Counselling and Research) from Zagreb, are working on a project with a common goal to empower young women from smaller communities, marginalized groups, recognize and include young women in decision-making processes at the local and regional level.

The project is scheduled to hold a press conference for young women and girls, with a focus on the problems faced by young informal leaders in Bosnia, Serbia and Croatia, as well as making of framework strategy for the future of youth activists, informal leaders and feminists in region.

**Capacity building of the CURE Foundation** is a support project for the CURE Foundation to implement a strategic plan in order to strengthen structure and sustainability of the organization, and support other activities of the CURE Foundation.

### **CURE Foundation INITIATIVES 2013**

**Young activists network** consists of young CURE activists, feminists and volunteers who have been through CURE educational program from 2009 until today. This program is designed for young women from B&H and involves activities such as: interactive workshops, presentations, performances, research and feminist activism.

**CURE Foundation production and library** CURE Foundation offers a range of educational materials and publications intended for the promotion and protection of human rights with a special focus on women's human rights, the rights of minorities and marginalized groups, feminism and peace activism.

### **CURE Foundation ACTIVITIES**

**International Women's Day** CURE Foundation celebrate through a street action, to draw attention to the problems women face in all spheres of society, the sexism that is present in B&H society, hate speech and misogyny that is daily manifested in the private and public spaces (from the streets of bh. cities to government institutions), on verbal discrimination and sexual terrorism that women suffer daily.

**PitchWise women's art festival B&H** – International and only festival of engaged feminist art in Bosnia and Herzegovina is held annually in September. Its program includes: panel discussions, film screenings, exhibitions, concerts, performances, meetings, book promotions, performances and workshops in order to promote the achievements and strength of women (since 2006).

**Global campaign „16 days of activism“** against gender based violence is held from 25. 11. – 10. 12. every year and it is very dynamic period for the CURE Foundation. We show solidarity with hundreds of organizations who work on prevention of gender based violence (since 2004).

**Women's network of Bosnia and Herzegovina** is an informal network of individuals and groups for women's human rights in BH, which began operations in 12.09.2009. at the conference under the same name. For more info, please visit [www.zenskamreza.org](http://www.zenskamreza.org).

### **CURE Foundation PARTNERSHIPS**

#### **Strengthening the role of women in political life of B&H – 101 reasons**

CURE Foundation and the Association INFOHOUSE started a project that's realized through educational workshops, public debates, street actions, along with a media campaign to encourage, educate and strengthen B&H citizens, female politicians and representatives of NGOs to be active in political and public life B&H.

#### **X-Press, Social inclusion through media**

X-Press session has for its goal to, through activities such as “Breakfast with journalists”, “Workshops with students”, and “IT seminars”, connect journalists and different associations of marginalized and vulnerable groups, and to bring attention of media to specific problems with which these groups are met in order to avoid stereotypes and the use of politically incorrect speech in media articles. Also the sessions have the goal of emphasizing the problems of these categories, and projecting them into the public in a professional manner. For X-Press initiative, CURE Foundation is a partner organization of the Helsinki Citizens' Assembly Banja Luka.

#### **„Coming out!“ Advocacy and protection of the rights of LGBT persons**

The Heinrich Böll Foundation, the Office of Bosnia and Herzegovina, together with partner organizations Sarajevo Open Centre and the CURE Foundation, started implementation of the project "Coming out! Advocacy and protection of the rights of LGBT persons“, with the aim of advocating and protecting the rights of one of the most discriminated and invisible groups in B&H society - lesbians, gay men, bisexuals and transgender (LGBT), as well as knowledge of the causes of homophobia, its decrease and eventual end.

#### **Intervention Fund for Women's Entrepreneurship CURE Foundation**

Initiative for the formation of the Intervention Fund for Women's Entrepreneurship CURE Foundation launched in cooperation with the Association INFOHOUSE to fund women with great projects in order to help them with their self-employment. The aim of the Intervention Fund is improve prospects of employment of women as marginalized and vulnerable group in Bosnia and Herzegovina through the financing of specific business ideas for self-employment.

**Say NO to violence, say YES to economic independence**

This project is realized in partnership with the Association INFOHOUSE, with the goal of increasing economic independence of women victims of violence, and of developing their business and social skills through educational programs, connection with the business world, as well as the empowerment of their entrepreneur spirit.

**DONORS:**

Kvinna till Kvinna (Sweden), cfd – Swiss feminist peace organization, Global fund for women (USA), Heart and Hand fund (USA), OPA, UN WOMEN, European Union Delegation in B&H, Open Society Foundation, OAK Foundation.

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