

Do not allow women victims of violence to stay alone!

Project Do not allow women victims of violence to stay alone! was implemented as part of the UNDP project called Integrated Response to Violence against Women and Girls in Serbia II, from November 1 to December 31, 2017. The overall goal of the project was to empower women victims of gender-based violence and violence in the workplace to ask for help, and specific goals were: To inform women of the available services, the dynamics of violence, the manner of reporting the criminal offense and the criminal procedure, as well as informing the general public about the dynamics of violence and possible preventive action. The project was realized through the following activities:

- Providing support and assistance to women victims of violence, such as: emotional support; information (about the rights and the way they can be achieved, about other NGOs and state organizations that can benefit them, about psychological reactions after a traumatic event, etc.); support in court; legal, psychological and logistical assistance.
- Creating and printing informative materials (brochures, leaflets, cards) with information related to recognizing violence, dynamics and the way of reporting violence, as well as information on existing services that can help women victims of violence.
- Informing the public about victim services and distribution of informative material. During the campaign of 16 days of activism against violence against women, three street actions were organized in three locations in New Belgrade near the VDS office. On that occasion, citizens were given information materials, which were printed within this project, and interviews were conducted with them. In addition, information materials were provided to the police stations in New Belgrade and the Center for Social Work Novi Beograd.
- Inform citizens about available services through social networks. During the campaign of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, 16 posts were posted on social networks aimed at: Informing the public about activities during the campaign of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence; Raising public awareness on the importance of preventing violence against women; Raising public awareness of the dynamics and consequences that violence leaves on the victims; Empowering victims to ask for help; Raising visibility of existing services for women victims of violence.

All activities under this project were followed by a slogan: Do not allow women victims of violence to stay alone!

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