Collection and recording of data on cases of violence against Roma women

During 2017, VDS was engaged in the implementation of part of the project "For active inclusion and rights of Roma women in the Western Balkans II", which is being implemented in Serbia by the NGO Bibija-Roma Women's Center from Belgrade and CARE International Balkans.

VDS was hired for part of the project related to the collection and recording of data on cases of violence against Roma women. The project has as its subject of which is violence against Roma women in the family and partner relationships in seven Roma settlements in Serbia. The goal of the research is to find out about the scope and characteristics of violence against Roma women in family and partner relationships, factors that affect the exposure of Roma women to violence in family and partner relationships, and forms of social response to violence against Roma women in family and partner relationships. Data is collected through a survey using direct (face-to-face) interviews. Volunteers and associates of NGO Bibija were engaged in data collection. The tasks of VDS in this part of the project include: developing a methodology for data collection, determining the sample, developing an instrument for data collection, facilitating the work of researchers in the field, analyzing the data obtained and preparing a report, and writing a summary of the report in english. During 2017, the research methodology was developed and data collection began.

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