CIVIC ACTION FOR ACCOUNTABILITY PROJECT

Civic Action for Accountability is a four year, $2.5 million project that supports collective action to increase government accountability and decrease corruption. The project supports citizen-driven activities to grow and strengthen the network of civil society organizations, grassroots organizations, activists, and journalists who advocate for effective anti-corruption measures and greater government accountability.

ACTIVITIES

• Build an online platform for network members that enables the exchange of local success stories and resources.
• Organize annual forums for citizen-driven innovation in government accountability.
• Develop analyses on local anti-corruption and accountability issues to highlight the impact of corruption and approaches to fighting it.
• Provide support to local anti-corruption and accountability initiatives through rapid response and grant support.
• Organize public campaigns and public events in local communities to promote local successes in enhancing accountability.

RESULTS

• Provided technical support to fourteen local initiatives related to breaches of accountability and contributed to their capacity to mobilize citizen support.
• Assessed instances of successful local activism campaigns and published five case studies which provided a framework for the development of a road map on how to better engage local communities and authorities in addressing accountability issues.
Engaged with activists, citizens, and journalists who deal with corruption and accountability issues in dozens of towns across Serbia to trigger collective action for accountability and restore citizens’ trust in the effectiveness of civic engagement.

Raised public awareness and interest in accountability and corruption topics through public events, forums, thematic debates, videos, and online outreach.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PROJECT FUNDING
U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID/Serbia)

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION
Center for Research, Transparency and Accountability (CRTA) in collaboration with Belgrade Center for Security Policy, National Coalition for Decentralization, and Partners for Democratic Change

KEY COUNTERPARTS
Citizen activists, CSOs, Freedom of Information Commissioner, Anti-Corruption Agency, Anti-corruption Council and Ombudsperson

WHERE WE WORK
Nationwide

PROJECT DURATION
April 2018 - October 2022

TOTAL FUNDING
$2,500,000

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