



Solidarity Festival

Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation

May 15 - 20, 2017





10 Years of Solidarity

In 2017 Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation celebrates 10 years of its work and as part of this anniversary organizing a series of events titled "Celebrating solidarity".

We want to encourage solidarity by providing our fellow citizens across Serbia variety of free programs and activities tailored to different generations and interests of the citizens of Serbia.

Throught the year we organized variety of programs and main focus was on Solidarity Festival (May 15-20) where citizens gathered and were inspire to change the world with good deeds.

Project "Celebrating solidarity" is supported by the EU through the program Europe for Citizens.



SLAVIMO SOLIDARNOST – CELEBRATING SOLIDARITY

Through this project the foundation with the partners from Bulgaria, Albania, Macedonia, Poland and Hungary, took participation in this program and promoted philanthropy and examples of solidarity.











Together with partners we conducted study in the field of solidarity, through all countries. The research has indicated that solidarity is an important topic among young people and that the participants in focus groups were very involved in this regard, they feel empathy with people who are in some kind of trouble.

They point out as vulnerable groups some of the poorest, and more meaningful-when they talk about possible solutions to the greatest extent they point out the possibility of doing any jobs, that again indicates the possibility of earning money.

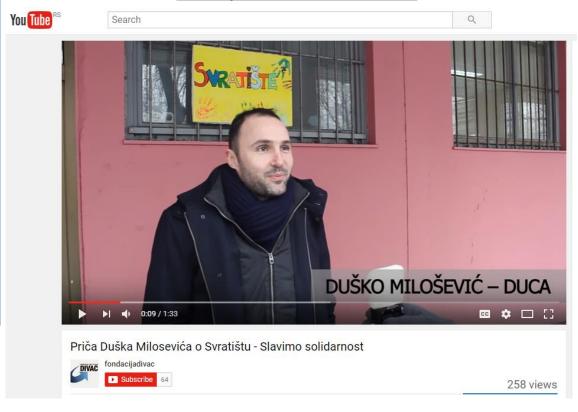




We created **digital museum of solidarity**www.museumofsolidarity.eu – unique platform,
collection of stories from 6 states about grass-root solidarity initiatives and actions in Europe.

Stories of people: non-formal, bottom-up groups, big or small, or sometimes lone wolves, helping or standing in solidarity with other people in times of need or crisis that bring inspiring messages for all of us.

Example of an interview:



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dIvCwhE8KVs

Solidarity lives in Serbia



Within the project "Celebrating Solidarity ", Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation organized the round table to find answers at the question if solidarity exists in Serbia. The representatives of the humanitarian organizations and humanitarian individuals tried to find answers at the question if solidarity exists in Serbia and how much the role of the individuals is important to motivate other people to solidarity.

The president of the board of the Ana and Vlade Divac Foundation, Ana Divac, underlined that this kind of engagement gives her the opportunity to live in more beautiful way.

Also, famous humanitarians where speakers at the round table: — Veran Matić, Aleksandar Šapić, Milorad Jurkovic, known as Mile Stolar.



Clothes for all

The action "Clothes for all" is implemented with the support of the company "Inditex" in institutions and municipalities in Serbia.

During 2017 we distributed more than 30.000 pieces of clothes and helped more than thousand users of social welfare and shelters for children and home for the aged, but also for the migrants who stays in Serbia at the moment.



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Celebrating Solidarity

Debate: Youth and solidarity

At the panel discussion it was spoken about the wonderful people who are making changes in their local communities and their solidarity followed with the examples of good practice.

One of the great examples of how to help their community gave Mr. Hadji Ivan Redi who helped with the charity to young people in the community where he once lived.

http://tvzonaplus.rs/ivan-redi-svetlona-kraju-tunela/





Intergenerational Tango Dance Workshops

In cooperation with the largest European organization tango - Tango Natural Beograd, we organized an intergenerational tango dance workshop for our senior citizens. Tango is the meeting of two human beings in an embrace. When we dancing there are no genders, religious, racial, generational or any other differences. With dancing we develop a personal sense of self and begin to empathize with others.

We have enjoyed the with 80 retirees who have shared with us their energy and created a great atmosphere!

Take a look the VIDEO from the workshop <u>HERE</u>.



Workshop "The body that hears" for young people woth hearing impairments

As part of the "Festival of Solidarity" 30 young people with hearing impairments have undergone two great workshops organized by the "Blue Theater" and with the cooperation of the City Organization of Deaf Belgrade.

Workshop "The body that hears: Contemporary Theater - The Space interpersonal solidarity" uses methods of contemporary theater in order to strengthen the inclusion of young deaf persons activating their creative thought-mental-physical-volitional capacity building and sensitization of the public on questions of life of these young people.

Within the student traineeship, students of <u>FMK</u> shot <u>video</u> on this worskshop.



"Twilight time" by Goran Paskaljević

"Twilight Time" is an American-Serbian co-production from 1982, with the famous American actor Karl Malden Serbian origin, in the lead role.

The movie "Twilight Time", directed by our famous director Goran Paskaljevic and produced by Dobrivoje Tanasijević better known as Dan Tana was shown in the Kinoteka in cooperation with US embassy.

Over 100 people of all generations visited this movie projection. Here is the <u>VIDEO</u> about the event.





Celebrating 10 years of solidarity in the National Theatre

In the past 10 years, thanks to numerous donors, individuals, companies and organizations the Foundation helped more than 600,000 people. Housing has taken care of more than 700 families, and supported more than 800 small family businesses and farms.

The ceremony at the National Theater was attended by over 400 guests, including a large number of representatives of public life, the diplomatic corps and invited guests a church program ended with a spectacular concert of Slobodan Trkulja and Balkanopolis.

Award for outstanding contribution to the development of philanthropy in Serbia was given to Bishop Irinej of the Serbian Orthodox Church Diocese in Eastern America.

https://www.youtube.com/watchv=CrMke20dJC8&t=5s



Intergenerational environmental workshop in Grocka

Intergenerational environmental workshop for seniors and juniors from Belgrade were held in the spacious garden of Rancic houses, cultural center in Grocka. Fun and being outdoors for 70 junior and senior citizens passed in joint work - painting clay pots and pots from recycled PET bottles, and then planting and creating ikebana of flowering plants and succulents obtained from nurseries of urban greenery.

Ikebana was "completed" in the classrooms of the school "Ilija Garašanin", so that students could refine their workspace and also Gerontology Center of Belgrade.



Belgrade and solidarity - walking tour in the "Night of the museums"

On this educational tour, we dealt with the theme of solidarity in the broadest sense of the word. During 90 minutes of walking we visited the places where the Solidarity left its mark in history in the urban part of Belgrade, as well as places where solidarity can be seen at work and feel today.

Detailed information about walking toour you can see HERE in <u>Serbian</u> and <u>English</u>.





Photo Exhibiton "Solidarity in the time of crisis"

We organized photo exhibition "Solidarity in the time of crisis" to promote solidarity in whole Serbia and remind people on humanity which bring us all together.

This photo exhibition which could be seen in 10 cities in Serbia on public squares which and was created in cooperation with the Tanjug news agency whose photographs took photos in the times of crisis such as while catastrophic floods in May 2014. and the emigrant crisis which escalated in Europe in the summer of 2015.

We are thankful for support of Tanjug news agency and her photographers, and also to many cultural institutions which provided us the spaces for exhibitions.

Exhibition was organized from June 12th until September 26th in Sid, Sombor, Kikinda, Lajkovac, Novi Pazar, Leskovac, Kragujevac, Zajecar and Belgrade.







Little school of Solidarity

We delivered poster-comic "Little school of Solidarity" to kindergardens, schools and children's institutions in Serbia and got very nice feedback and messages in return which make us very happy.

Our goal is to bring kids in Serbia messages about solidarity so we translated comics to languages of minorities.

Take a look **HERE**.





Мала школа солидарности















Activities we supported

Novi Sad, May 10

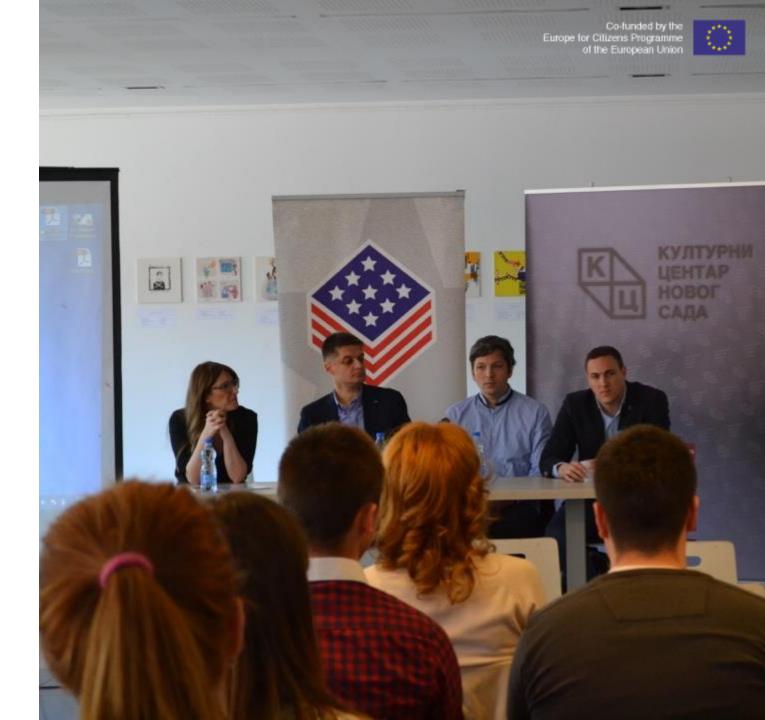
LECTURE ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN NOVI SAD - IF YOU HAD ONE CRUCIAL ADVICE TODAY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE SEEKING EMPLOYMENT,

WHAT WOULD IT BE?

Lecture on Entrepreneurship was intended for students and young entrepreneurs to help further strengthen and motivate them to start their own business.

Program EY Entrepreneur of the Year realized in Serbia was presented by the company Ernst & Young and whose participants talked about their experiences to the visitors.

The forum was visited by 50 participants, held open and interesting discussion thanks to excellent speakers, interesting and useful information that is conveyed on the development of their companies.



Activities we supported

Belgrade, May 13

THE PLAY "YESTERDAY I REMEMBERED THE BLUE" IN BELGRADE BY THE THEATRE FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

The play "Yesterday I remembered the blue" was performed by the Theatre for the blind and visually impaired "New Life" from Zagreb on the big stage of the Cultural Institution Vuk in Belgrade within the Baraka Cultural Center.

Around 100 guests enjoyed this show and the income was given to the Theatre "New Life".



Activities we supported

Nis, May 21

Volunteer action in Nis

In this action 22 volunteers have been cleaning and arranging football court in the elementary school "Njegos".

"We met here with the idea to build the court and to point out catastrophic condition of the field and other hand, how much can we do thrugh solidarity", participants said.

Movie about the action shows situation before/after.





Conference "Solidarity in the time of crisis"

On the final conference of the project "Celebrating Solidarity" was held at Dorcol Platz in Belgrade. Participants at the conference had an opportunity to listen the speech of Serbian basketball player, Natasa Kovacevic who is running the Foundation dedicated to promotion of female sport and support to serious injured athletes.

The representatives of all organizations were presenting project activities - creating audio and video stories about solidarity among individuals, Research on Solidarity Among Young People, but also the festivals of Solidarity in Bulgaria, Macedonia, Albania and Serbia.



Conference "Solidarity in the time of crisis"

The important part of this conference was dedicated to media and individuals who are leaders of solidarity in Serbia.

During the first panel they talked about how much media are important for encouraging solidarity, informing and engaging citizens and companies in projects which support vulnerable individuals or groups.

On the other panel participants met individuals who through their own efforts are helping people around them and some of them already have the activities in the whole region.

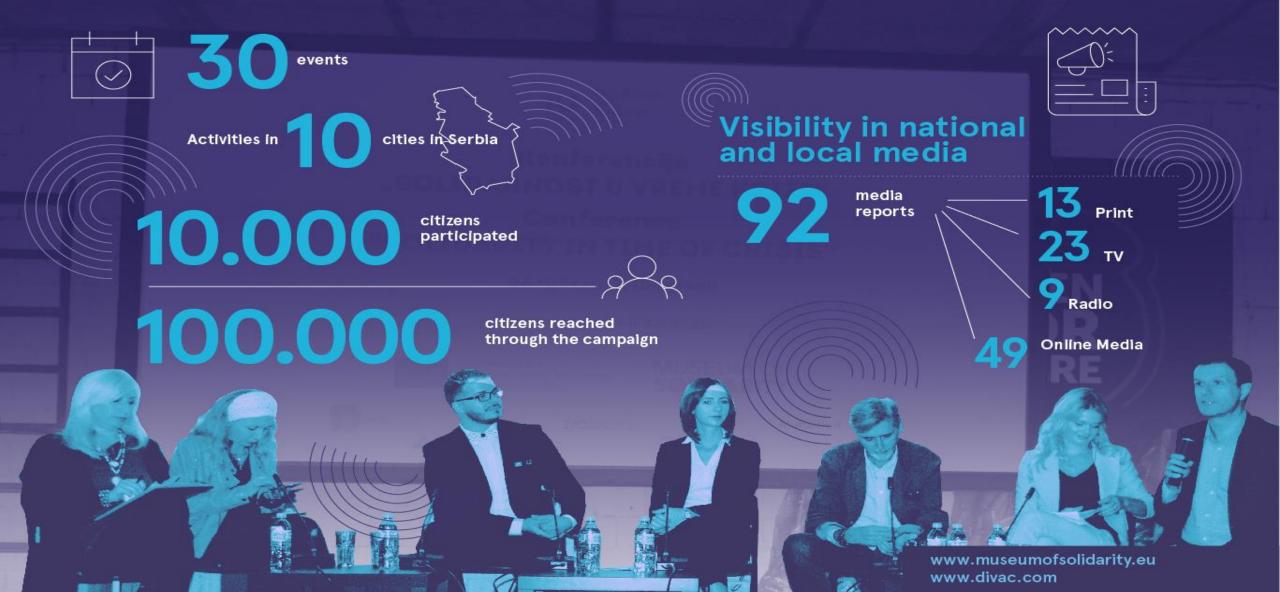
Check the report from conference <u>HERE</u>.





Results of the project Celebrating Solidarity









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www.museumofsolidarity.eu

