

A photograph of three young women with red hand-painted faces and red scarves. The woman on the left is wearing glasses and holding a camera. The woman in the middle is holding a purple phone. The woman on the right is wearing a black leather jacket. The background is a blurred city street.

THE CURE FOUNDATION NEWSLETTER

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Fourth edition in 2022

Welcome to the new CURE Foundation Newsletter highlighting events and news from our community during the period October - December 2022.

Enjoy reading and let's stay in touch!



*EU Round Table in Mostar, November 10, 2022

* EU Round Table in Lukavac, November 1, 2022

*EU Round Table in Srebrenica, November 24, 2022

*EU online campaign on the occasion of the 16 Days of Activism

The CURE Foundation (CURE) and the Foundation for Women's Empowerment (FWE) organized five round tables in which 88 people participated (associates of the project, representatives of local institutions such as representatives of the municipalities, the health sector, centers for social work, employment offices, educational institutions, media and non-governmental organizations), all within the framework of the "Women Human Rights Advocates" project funded by the European Union. The round tables were organized in five local communities: Lukavac (16 participants), Mostar (21 participants), Konjic (12 participants), Srebrenica (27 participants) and Banja Luka (12 participants). During these events the cooperation between institutions at the local level and civil society organizations was established with the aim of improving living conditions at the local level.

At the beginning of December 2022, the results of this two-year (2021-2022) project were presented at a press conference. Some of these results are:

- Over 30 defenders of women's rights from 10 non-governmental organizations have

- become initiators of positive changes in their local communities;
- Members of 10 organizations with which we cooperated strengthened their capacities for lobbying and advocacy through 15 different trainings that we organized as part of the project;
- Over 100 members from 10 non-governmental organizations participated in the creation of 10 advocacy plans for future action at the local level;
- More than 20 initiatives emerged from 10 local communities to local institutions and citizens, which were implemented by local organizations with the support and mentorship of the CURE Foundation and the Women's Empowerment Foundation;
- 10 round tables were held for representatives of local institutions and non-governmental organizations in 10 local communities with the aim of obtaining the support of local institutions and establishing cooperation with non-governmental organizations in order to improve the living conditions of women.

Advocacy for Women's Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina



*December 2, 2022, Interview with the great activist Enida Glušac (Renasansa Association from Sarajevo) about love, courage, and resistance.
*Conference, November 2022

As part of the "Advocacy for Women's Rights" project supported by the Swedish feminist organization Kvinna till Kvinna, the CURE Foundation organized 10 digital advocacy events. Our digital events took place live in the afternoon (6 p.m.), which enabled all those who follow us through social networks to interact directly with guests in our studio. Our goal was that our experts in the fields of self-care, violence against women, women's economic empowerment and women's political participation answer all questions and comments at the moment they receive them and that the conversation is actually directed towards the needs of the audience itself.

Each of our events was recorded, so at the end of the year we combined all digital events and published them on our YouTube channel. Our intention is to use digital advocacy to encourage activists, journalists, and students to think and further research the topics discussed. The special feature of digital engagement is the possibility of including speakers from their place of living, which is a kind of hybrid live reporting and proof that we easily overcome physical barriers. This is especially important when we act as a collective protecting women's rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, as evidenced by our digital reporting before the Campaign on the 16 Days of Activism when together with activists from Banja Luka, Bijeljina, Konjic, Goražde, Trebinje, Zenica, Mostar and Banja Luka we presented activities from the mentioned local communities, shared information about the Global Campaign itself, the

website of the calendar and sent individual messages of solidarity with survivors of violence. We also paid special attention to issues of self-care through a conversation with an activist who survived breast cancer, as well as through a conversation with a psychotherapist about the burn-out of women's rights activists. We are learning together that in addition to constantly advocating for women's rights, it is necessary to find time for yourself and to take care of yourself.

In November 2022, as part of our annual advocacy conference, we used digital technologies and enabled live-stream of the conference on our social networks, as well as live reporting of women's rights defenders who could not be in person with us. We covered the following key topics: Women's rights in BiH in a global context, Analysis of the election results of the General Elections in BiH 2022 through a gender perspective, Visibility of female candidates in the 2022 General Elections, Position of gender policy and women's perspective in political coalitions in BiH, Gender perspective as a political pledge - experiences of politically active women in this year's General Elections, Femicide and social norms through an overview at the regional and local level. We also touched on subjects that will be discussed in particular in the coming period: Women's rights and drinking water - water protectors, Women's poverty in Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as the Gender context of accession to the European Union.

Movement-Led Approach, Gender Justice

CURE GLOBAL FUND FOR WOMEN
Gender Justice



*Regional Networking Meeting for Activists of the Movement for Gender Justice, November 7 and 8, 2022, Sarajevo

As part of the Movement-Led Approach (MLA) project launched by the Global Fund for Women (GFW) in eight Balkan countries (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Slovenia and Serbia), on November 7 and 8 the CURE Foundation organized a Regional Networking Meeting for Activists of the Movement in the Western Balkans Region with 59 representatives of the movements for gender equality and gender justice in

Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. On the first day, we organized focus groups/interviews for each of the countries and on the second day we discussed about joint regional and national actions/campaigns on the following topics: Gender justice, LGBTIQ+ rights, SGBV, Equality with a special focus on minority and marginalized groups of women, Current problems - actions that were not mentioned, and Campaigns on social networks.

Feminism Did Not Wage Wars



*Seminar "From Election to Election", Sarajevo, October 13 – 16, 2022

The CURE Foundation successfully implemented the project "Feminism Did Not Wage Wars" with the financial support of the HBS Bosnia and Herzegovina Foundation. The goal of the project was to point out the various challenges faced by women who wanted to be politically active and to contribute to building a better future of Bosnia and Herzegovina. By implementing this project, we wanted to help and support all women who

want to, regardless of the obstacles and problems they encounter, take a step forward and be active participants in political and social life. As a final activity, the seminar "From Election to Election" was held. The seminar was attended by a large number of politically engaged women from various political parties from Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Economic Empowerment



*October 4, 2022, Meeting with the students of the Second Gymnasium

Since 2021, the CURE Foundation has been implementing the "Advocacy for Women's Rights" project in Bosnia and Herzegovina, which is supported by the Swedish Kvinna Till Kvinna Foundation. "Feminist advocacy activities for economic empowerment and socio-economic support measures for most marginalized groups of women" form a separate part of the Project. The goal of the project is the development of adequate strategies and the adoption of institutional measures for the economic empowerment of marginalized groups of women, with a special emphasis on women who survived domestic violence in the FBiH. In the previous period, we contributed to the writing of the 2021 Alternative Report on Bosnia and Herzegovina's Progress on the Road to the European Union Membership: Political Criteria

(https://eu-monitoring.ba/site/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/BHS_FINAL_WEB-1.pdf) in the Social Policy and Employment Chapter - " Women's Participation in the Labour Market – Employment and Gender Equality".

On October 2, 2022, a meeting was held with Nasiha Kovačević, Emina Malkić and Emina Vatrić, students of the Second Gymnasium from Sarajevo, on the topic of women's economic empowerment. They deal with this topic in their seminar work, and we talked about gender discrimination in the labor market, statistical data and the steps taken by the CURE Foundation towards achieving gender equality in the labor market.

Women and Peacebuilding in Bosnia and Herzegovina



*Vareš, October 24, 2022

*Promotion of the publication "Fearless Heroines of Peace"

The project "Women and Peacebuilding in Bosnia and Herzegovina" aimed to raise awareness of citizens about the need to include women in all phases of peace negotiations and peacebuilding. The project was based on the recommendations of the research "Dealing with Restlessness and Peacebuilding from the Perspective of a Post-Dayton Woman" and provides an opportunity to include young women, middle-aged and elderly women, members of minority and marginalized groups, returnees, women survivors of violence and discrimination, asylum seekers, children born of wartime rape and all persons recognized as agents of positive change in the context of peace building in BiH.

Since the beginning of 2022, the CURE Foundation has been working on mapping, collecting and summarizing the personal stories and portraits of women in order to make them available to the general public through the publication/research and digital stories that will be promoted through online platforms.

In the period October - December 2022, a workshop on "Women and peacebuilding in Bosnia and Herzegovina" was held on October 24, 2022 in Vareš in cooperation with the members of the Association of Women for Rural Development, Sustainable Return, Reintegration and Resocialization of Returnees "Zvijezda". As part of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, the partner organizations Association of Women for Rural Development, Sustainable Return, Reintegration and Resocialization of Returnees "Zvijezda", Association "Ženska vizija" Tuzla and Citizens' Association Daily Center for Social Care

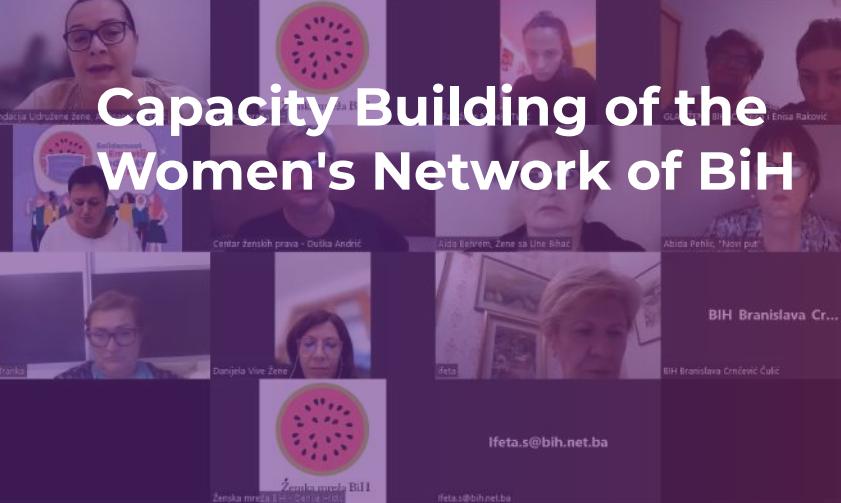
"Kuća otvorenog srca" organized panels/workshops/street action in their local communities.

Promotion of the publication "Fearless Heroine of Peace" was held at the MAK Gallery in Sarajevo on December 14, 2022. The publication was presented by reviewer Ranka Katalinski and two heroines from Bosnia and Herzegovina who shared their stories: Ajna Jusić (president of the "Forgotten Children of War" Association and peace activist) and Jasmina Omerbegović (Major and member of the Armed Forces of Bosnia and Herzegovina). The event was facilitated by journalist Rubina Čengić.

The editors of the publication "Fearless Heroines of Peace" Jasna Pekić and Dr. Tajma Kapić wrote: "The main purpose of writing this publication is to give open support to each of the women who honored us and shared their personal experience, and to raise collective awareness of the importance of the efforts these women talk about. We hope that by telling their stories to the general public, we contribute to spreading awareness about the given problems. Everyone can learn a lot from their experiences."

An online campaign and promotion of the film/digital stories about the Women's Court and a Feminist Approach to Justice - the Regional Meeting of the Women's Court, which was held from May 11 to 13, 2022 in Sarajevo, is currently underway.

Capacity Building of the Women's Network of BiH



*Women's Network, October 12, 2022

On October 12, 2022, the BiH Women's Network addressed the public in a digital format via social networks after another horrific murder of a woman in Bosnia and Herzegovina. During the online reporting, we had the opportunity to hear reactions from the Organization Glas žene from Bihać - especially from the aspect of the local community where the murder was committed, then the reporting of colleagues Aleksandra Petrić from the Udužene žene Banja Luka, who shared with us information about the Regional Report on Femicide, Dr. Ivanka Marković who specifically referred to judicial practices in the imposition of sanctions for the murder of women, and Duška Andrić from the Centar za ženska prava Zenica, who spoke about society's attitude towards violence against women and femicide.

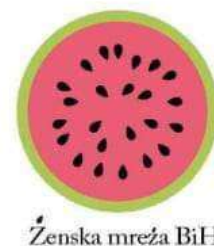
On this occasion, we invited the citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina to join the call of women's organizations from 19 local communities in Bosnia and Herzegovina to take to the street and send a clear message to the authorities that the time has finally come to respond to the problems of violence against women, especially killing of

women because of their gender, with the more severe sanctions.

In November 2022, the Women's Network of BiH, during its campaign to raise awareness about violence against women, and within the framework of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, awarded five small grants to member organizations for activities in their local communities. Funds for activities specifically related to raising awareness of violence against women and femicide were awarded to: Women's Association "ROMKINJA" from Bijeljina for the project "You were not born to suffer violence", Association "Ženska vizija" from Tuzla for the project "STOP violence - it is a step to femicide", Association "Inicijativa građanki i građana Mostara" for the project "I can't do it anymore", Association of Women "NERA" from Konjic for the project "Femicide through history - witches and angels" and Association of Women "DERVENTA" for the project entitled "By prevention to ZERO tolerance of violence against women and girls".



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*Peace with a Woman's Face Initiative - Marking the Day of Remembrance of Women Killed in War December 8, 2022, Sarajevo
*Round Table "Education of Disenfranchised Women as a Step Towards Economic Empowerment"

As part of the Peace with a Woman's Face Initiative, the CURE Foundation organized a street action on December 8, 2022, on the occasion of the Day of Remembrance of Women Killed in War. Marking this day points to the unfair attitude of society towards women who are victims of war, and who do not have an adequate place in collective memory, no monuments or days when we would remember them and save them from oblivion. The Day of Remembrance of Women Killed in War was marked this year in 12 cities of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Sarajevo is one of them.

The CURE Foundation as a partner in the project "Education of disenfranchised girls/women in Bosnia and Herzegovina" and the Konjic College of Tourism and Management with the support of the Embassy of the Republic of Slovenia in Bosnia and Herzegovina and H.E. Mr. Damijan Sedar as the host, organized a Round Table on the topic "Education of Disenfranchised Women as a Step Towards Economic Empowerment" on November 9, 2022. By organizing such a manifestation, we wanted to start with a serious and concrete solution to the problem of poverty and discrimination against women.

Gender Sensitive Local Policies of the Municipality of Centar Sarajevo in the EU Accession Process



*Let's remove invisible barriers – one of the billboards placed in Sarajevo, December 2022

Within the framework of the project Gender-sensitive Local Policies of the Municipality of Centar Sarajevo in the EU Accession Process, which is co-financed by the European Union and the Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA), an advocacy campaign has been carried out with the aim of informing the public about the importance of local gender action plans, as well as with the aim of promoting the Analysis of the GAP of the Municipality Centar with accompanying recommendations. The CURE Foundation has therefore published several messages that can be read on billboards in various locations in the Centar municipality including the most important message "Let's remove invisible barriers - include socially marginalized groups of women in all local policies". Furthermore, 3 digital events were held where experts in gender equality and gender action plans addressed the audience from the CURE Foundation digital studio. The digital advocacy events (in local languages) can be viewed at:

<https://fb.me/e/3KXmWj5XH>

As part of the advocacy campaign, four articles were written by authors who are experts in women's rights and EU integration.

Strategic partnerships of the public and civil sectors as a factor that contributes to the more efficient implementation of local policies for gender equality and the improvement of the position of women and girls, especially from marginalized groups by Sanja Dakić Petrović
What is a Vulnerability Without Data?
by Brahim Kajević
Introduction to a marginalized group and EU accession by Aida Mehdić
What does gender equality look like in the EU integration process of BiH? by Amina Dizdar

The articles (in English) can be accessed at <https://fondacijacure.org/en/gender-sensitive-local-policies-of-the-municipality-of-centar-sarajevo-in-the-eu-accession-process-2/>

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Women Citizens for Constitutional Reform Initiative



*Digital advocacy, October 26, 2022

*Street action in Sarajevo, December 2, 2022

In October, the "Women Citizens for Constitutional Reform Initiative" organized a meeting with Senada Hadžić, representative of the Assembly of Citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina. In cooperation with the BUKA portal, an article entitled "Bosnia and Herzegovina Is Ready for Gender Equality as a Fundamental Value of a Democratic Society" was published. Delila Hasanbegović Vukas and Sanel Hadžić presented the Initiative as part of an online digital advocacy event organized and broadcasted from the CURE Foundation's online studio.

On October 28, 2022, representatives of the Initiative attended the address of the President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen, who visited BiH as part of a regional visit to the Western Balkans. During the visit, President von der Leyen addressed political representatives in Bosnia and Herzegovina, representatives of civil society and representatives of the cultural and business community.

In November, the Initiative was presented at the

Faculty of Law of the University of Sarajevo, at the Department of International and Public Law - subject Theory of Gender. In cooperation with the portal fokus.ba, the article "27 Years Since Dayton: Will Women Finally Become a Constitutional Category in Bosnia and Herzegovina in the 21st Century?" was published. An Open Letter was also published on the occasion of the 27th anniversary of the signing of the Dayton Peace Agreement, and a round table and presentation of the Initiative was held in Modriča.

On December 2, 2022, a street action was held in Sarajevo organized by the CURE Foundation and the Network for Building Peace, during which Initiative activists talked to citizens and the media about the priorities of the "Women Citizens for Constitutional Reform Initiative".

More information about the activities of the Women Citizens for Constitutional Reform Initiative can be found at <https://gradjankezaustavnepromjene.wordpress.com/>

Global campaign 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence Against Women



*16 Days of Activism, street performance, November 25, 2022, Sarajevo
*ONLINE CAMPAIGN Stop femicide!, 16 Days of Activism, November 25 - December 10, 2022

We all want to have our human rights respected and live lives free from violence. Sadly, this is not the case for many women and girls around the world. The violence knows no borders. All around the globe, from Bosnia and Herzegovina the Dominican Republic women are fighting for their basic women's rights.

Fascism promotes authoritarianism, militarism and nationalism, values which have proven to incite violence and war. War disproportionately affects women and girls, both in the short and long term. Women and girls are the primary targets of sexual violence and trafficking during wars, and in post-conflict societies gender-based violence continues to spike.

Therefore, the CURE Foundation named the central theme of the Campaign: FEMINISM DID NOT WAGE WARS - CLEROFASCISM DID!

ONLINE CAMPAIGN as part of the 16 Days of Activism:

- ONLINE CAMPAIGN "Zero Tolerance For Violence" as part of the project "Advocacy for Women's Rights" financed by the European Union and implemented by the CURE Foundation and the Foundation for Women's Empowerment, which includes the publication of cards on zero tolerance to violence against women and educational material on breaking stereotypes related to gender-based violence;
- ONLINE CAMPAIGN "FEMINISM DID NOT WAGE WARS - Clerofascism did!" in which we promoted #NijePorodičnaTragedijaVe

Among the many activities carried out, we highlight the street performance "Stop femicide! Femicide - the killing of women simply because they are women", which took place on November 25, 2022, at 12:00 on the plateau in front of the Sarajevo City Center (SCC). With this action we drew attention to the victims of femicide and to the violence against women that happens every second on planets and which often ends in murder. In the period from January 1 to November 13, 2022, 11 women were killed, and the CURE Foundation obtained this data based on recorded media reports. A table with 11 empty chairs and 11 empty coffee cups set up on the square in front of the SCC in Sarajevo as part of the street campaign "Stop femicide!" represents the number of women killed in Bosnia and Herzegovina in 2022 (according to media coverage) and represents the shame of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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#16days #letsendfemicide #FondacijaCURE #16da-naaktivizma #stopfemicidu #rodnozasnovanonasilje

WE DEMAND:

Introduce a legal definition of femicide!
Prescribe femicide as a criminal offence in legal acts!



*EFI Network – Round Table, November 3 and 4, 2022, Beirut

* Women's Peace Meeting in Sarajevo, November 5, 2022

* IGLYO Annual Conference of Members, Brussels, Belgium, October 13-17, 2022

EuroMed Feminist Initiative

A member of the CURE Foundation attended the EuroMed Feminist Initiative EFI meeting and Round Table entitled "Women, Peace and Security Agenda (WPSA)" in the period from November 3 to 4, 2022, in Beirut where the WPSA was discussed and regional guidelines for its implementation were adopted. The Regional Index on WPSA and its adoption were also discussed. Members of the EFI network shared experiences and knowledge regarding the implementation of the WPSA in different contexts and presented the results of national consultations in seven countries of the southern Mediterranean, which provides the basis for the development of regional guidelines to support implementation. A short video from the Round Table can be viewed here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1di810EJX8d0nqjWBCKucdBv5TViB_Obp/view

Network for Building Peace

The CURE Foundation member Jadranka Miličević participated in the work of the Commission for the selection of the winner of the "Goran Bubalo" Peace Prize for 2022. The CURE Foundation posthumously nominated Stanojka Cana Tešić from Bratunac. The award ceremony took place on December 9, 2022, in Banja Luka, where Edin Ramulić was awarded for his long-term contribution to the fight for human rights. Sead Đulić also received an award in the same category for his contribution to the fight for truth and justice in BiH society. A special award was posthumously awarded to Stanojka Cana Tešić for her exceptional contribution to the fight for women's rights and contribution to the fight for reconciliation.

ERA - LGBTI Equal Rights Association for Western Balkans and Turkey

In the previous period, the member of the CURE Foundation participated in events organized by the ERA network, of which we single out the online Regional Conference on the Political Participation of LGBTIQ+ persons, which was held in the period from 3 to 5 December 2022 in Zagreb.

Initiative for Monitoring the European Integration of Bosnia and Herzegovina

At the end of November, we attended the conference "EU Candidate Status for BiH: Between Merits and Expectations" organized by the Initiative for Monitoring the European Integration of BiH and the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung in BiH. The conference was held on the occasion of receiving the European Commission's recommendation for granting BiH candidate status.

Women's Court Regional Organisational Board

On November 4 and 5, we attended the Women's Peace Meeting within the Women's Court organized by the Association of War Victims "Foča 92-95", Sarajevo and Women in Black. In addition to the organizers, the peace meeting was attended by feminist therapists, and witnesses of the Women's Court from Đulići, Sarajevo, Zagreb, Kotor, Tuzla, Pljevlja... We wanted to reflect together on women's participation in building peace and achieving justice, as well as on obstacles and challenges in satisfying justice and achieving a just peace. And of course, we wanted to convey the experiences of the Women's Court - a Feminist Approach to Justice. The goal of this meeting was to get to know each other better in order to strengthen cooperation, trust, mutual support and solidarity. The meeting took place in the form of workshops, screening of documentary films, socializing... and planning new joint activities.

IGLYO Network

The CURE Foundation is a member of the IGLYO network, the International LGBTQI Youth and Student Organization. IGLYO currently count over 100 amazing and hard-working Member Organizations based in more than 40 countries across the world, helping the #LGBTQI #youth movement to grow and evolve.

In the period from October 13 to 17, 2022, the CURE Foundation participated in the IGLYO annual meeting of network members as part of Conference 2022 in Brussels, which gathered over 70 LGBTQI young activists from more than 30 countries. During these three days, the conference where the General Assembly and the election of the board were discussed, workshops led by members and fun social activities, gave us a reason to think and brought our international family of LGBTQI young activists even closer.

We couldn't be more grateful for and proud to be a part of such an amazing network

CURE - ACTIVITIES



CURE Activities



*Commemoration of the massacre in Stupno Do, Vareš, October 23, 2022 *Training ZdružENE *Ženera, Konjic *Sarajevo City Hall, December 5, 2022
*The Women's Anti-Fascist Front, December 6, 2022 *The panel "Women, Men and Patriarchy" * Vrnjačka Banja, December 3, 2022
*Civilka conference, December 12, 2022 *Meeting at the Embassy of the Netherlands, December 12, 2022 *Western Balkans Fund in Tirana – signing the contracts

- October 8 – We attended "Pumpkin Days" in Istočno Sarajevo, organized by the Citizens' Association "Probudi se";
- October 12 – We attended the presentation of the Action Plan for the equality of LGBTI persons in BiH;
- October 19 - We attended the screening of the film "Invisible" by Slovak director Maia Martiniak and the panel discussion "Safe Childbirth is Our Right!";
- October 23 - We attended the commemoration of the massacre in Stupno Do, Vareš, at the invitation of the Women's Association for Rural Development, Sustainable Return, Reintegration and Resocialization of Returnees "Zvijezda"
- October 24 – We attended the reception of the Austrian Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina on the occasion of the Austrian National Day – October 26th;
- November 2 - We attended the workshop "Furthering Gender Equality through the EU Accession Process", organized by Prava za sve;
- We attended the presentation of the PRAGG project "Proactive citizens" which is implemented by a consortium consisting of HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation and NIRAS;
- November 3 and 4 – We attended the "ZdružENE communications" training organized by the TRAG Foundation on Igman;
- November 4 – 6 - We supported the ŽENERA planet festival that took place in Konjic. Congratulations Neras!;
- November 9 – We attended the webinar "Advancing anti-discrimination policies and LGBTIQ+ rights in the framework of EU integration process";
- November 20 – We attended a panel discussion on the topic "The role of non-formal education and lifelong learning in women's entrepreneurship in Bosnia and Herzegovina" within the project "Women's Entrepreneurship Days" at CEI Nahla;
- November 22 - We attended the online workshop "Capacity Building – Advocacy" organized by Reactor - Research in Action;
- December 1 - We attended the meeting "Narrowing the space for activities of associations and foundations in BiH" organized by OCDC;
- December 1 – We attended the conference "EU Candidate status for BiH: Between Merits and Expectations" organized by the Initiative for Monitoring the European Integration of BiH and the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung in BiH;
- December 5 – We attended the event "WE SPEAK FOR THE LEGAL RECOGNITION OF CHILDREN BORN DUE TO WAR" organized by the Association "Forgotten Children of War";
- On December 6, 2022, members of the CURE Foundation Team attended the commemoration of the 80th anniversary of the founding of the Women's Anti-Fascist Front (AFZ) of Yugoslavia - a mass, emancipatory, unique and unifying organization and one of the most important when it comes to the advancement of women's rights in the former Yugoslav state. The Women's Anti-Fascist Front had been formed in Bosanski Petrovac, where 80 years later a formal academy and work conference was organized to commemorate this important jubilee. The event brought together over 100 female delegates, partisans, anti-fascists, politicians, activists and many others who feel committed and obliged to continue advocating for women's rights and gender equality.
- December 9, 2022 – We attended a consultative meeting of non-governmental organizations regarding the FBiH Criminal Code and the FBiH Civil Procedure Law, organized by TRIAL International;
- December 9 – We were at the "Women's Human Rights" event organized by CFLI;
- December 12 - We attended the promotion of the documentary film "Bigger Than Trauma" in the field of

- human rights protection and a panel discussion organized by the Netherlands Embassy in BiH;
- December 12 - We attended the online workshop "Gender Analysis" organized by Reactor – Research in Action;
- December 15 -16 - We attended the workshop "Validation of tools for monitoring and reporting according to international and domestic normative obligations" organized by UN Women in Dobo;
- December 20 – "Eight conditions for the candidate status of Bosnia and Herzegovina - the voice of civil society" organized by Prava za sve;
- December 23 - 24 - Members of the CURE Foundation attended the workshop "Strengthening the capacity of non-governmental organizations dealing with issues of the position of women and gender-based violence" in Banja Luka, organized by the "Ujedinjene žene" Foundation from Banja Luka.

WE HOSTED AT THE CURE FOUNDATION:

- October 4 – We hosted high school students from the Second Gymnasium and talked about feminism, activism and economic empowerment of women;
- November 10 – We are very pleased that we had the opportunity to host Sabine Kernthaller, the director of the Austrian Cultural Forum in Sarajevo, and to discuss joint cooperation in the next year;
- November 25 - We hosted the Association of Citizens "SuperU" from Bratunac as part of the "Girl Power Bratunac" project, in which 20 girls aged 10 to 18 participate; they joined us at the street performance entitled "Stop femicide!" Femicide – the killing of women simply because they are women";
- December 2 – We were visited by evaluators from the Balkan Trust to discuss positive and successfully implemented projects, and to write an affirmative story based on the experiences and results of the "Speak Up About Violence" project, which was completed in mid-2022.

EVENTS WHICH WE SUPPORTED AND PARTICIPATED IN PROCESSES:

- October 19 - In the Parliament of Bosnia and Herzegovina, we held a meeting with Saša Magazinović, a member of the State Parliament, regarding the issue of amending the legislative in the direction of defining femicide as a special criminal offense with specially determined penalties;
- October 21 – We followed and were observers at the trial in the Dragičević case;
- November 9 – We participated in the writing of the Shadow Report on the implementation of the CEDAW Convention in the education segment;
- October 28 – We participated as speakers in the panel discussion "Human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina - are we pretending that they are important to us?" in Sarajevo organized by PROEDUCA;
- December 1 – One of the members of the CURE Foundation participated as a panelist on the panel "Women, Men and Patriarchy";
- December, 2 - 4 - A member of the CURE Foundation participated as a lecturer at the Feminist Spring School for Serbia and Kosovo organized by representatives of the Alternative Center for Girls Kruševac and Artpolis - Art and Community Priština;
- December 8 – In the premises of the Student Dormitory "Prof. dr. Fikret Hadžić" member of the CURE Foundation participated as a panelist at the Open Forum on the issue of violence against women organized by the "Izvor nade" Foundation in partnership with the TPO Foundation;
- December 12 - A member of the CURE Foundation participated as a panelist at the Civilka conference, which was designed as a new place for social dialogue, where a group of relevant actors from various sectors openly and courageously question the most sensitive and important issues related to the development and values of civil society in BiH, with the aim of strengthening and promotion of this important sector, which is often considered a pillar of the development of democracy in every country. The topic of the first Civilka is the efficiency and effectiveness of projects in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- A member of the CURE Foundation participated in a meeting with Dr. Bahia Tahzib-Lie, the Human Rights Ambassador of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands on December 12, 2022, organized by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in BiH. Equal rights for women and girls and equal rights for LGBTIQ+ people were discussed.
- Among more than 300 applications, 36 projects were selected to be funded by the Western Balkans Fund and one of them is the project of the CURE Foundation, which will be realized in partnership with the NGO Prima from Podgorica, Montenegro, CESI - Center for Education, Counseling and Research from Zagreb, Croatia and Alternative Girls' Center from Kruševac, Serbia.



And - last but not least

CURE FOUNDATION WOULD LIKE TO THANK ITS VOLUNTEERS

International Volunteer Day takes place every year on December 5, and on this occasion the CURE Foundation would like to thank its volunteers. We want you to know that your voluntary work is very visible in our Foundation, and we also want it to be visible both at the national and international level. Thanks to our volunteers, we managed to do a huge activism job, to organize the March for the 8th of March, the PitchWise Festival of Women's Art and Activism, 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, etc. Your ideas, your actions, your rebellion, your resistance are proof that the women's movement in BiH continue to live! Thank you for that!

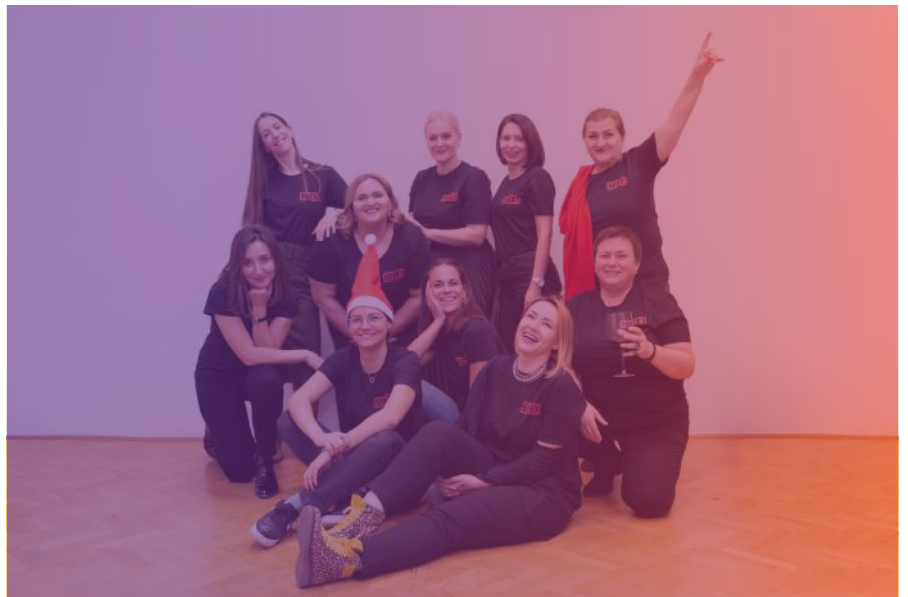
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TOWARDS 2023

THE CURE FOUNDATION WISHES YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR AND A SUCCESSFUL ACTIVIST 2023!

WE WISH YOU A LOT OF SUCCESS IN RESISTING PATRIARCHAL POLICIES!

WE SEND THE MESSAGE OF SOLIDARITY TO OUR SISTERS ACTIVISTS AROUND THE WORLD!



*The CURE Foundation Team, December 2022



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