

Community Development Support Program in the Russian Federation

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The Program is aimed at assisting communities in addressing environmental, economic and social problems, and will be composed of

the following core components:

1. Grant-making in the targeted communities
2. Dissemination of best community development practices
3. Training for development
4. Creation of new community development tools and practices

The Primary Program Goal is to design and disseminate both innovative and proven models of sustainable community development throughout the Russian Federation.

Key Program Objectives:

- to engage local citizens in addressing local needs and problems through a series of targeted grants focused on local economic development, waste management, public health, small business development, social assistance and natural resources management;
- to develop and introduce tools for energy savings and mechanisms to allow communities to reinvest saved resources into development programs;
- to promote multi-stakeholder participation in selected communities in identifying priorities for community development;
- to train community leaders, government officials, and business leaders to better address community needs through collective efforts;
- to replicate best community development practices in a selected region.

Grant funding decisions shall be passed by the Program's Advisory Committee (AC) founded to ensure transparency and equal opportunities for all organizations participating in grant contests. The main functions of the Advisory Committee are to approve funding for grant proposals, which have previously been reviewed by experts, and to oversee the targeted use of the Program's grant funds.

Two grant rounds have already been completed under the Program. All the projects of the third grant round are targeted toward supporting community development in the Northern Caucasuses.

The Program facilitates:

- an increased standard of living in the regions of Russia;
- the creation of a potential for future community development;
- citizen participation in decision-making regarding their communities through interaction with local government and business.



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Third CDSP Contest Statistics

Project proposals approved for funding by the Advisory Committee Working Group	11 projects by 4 consortiums
Total cost of project funding	\$353 972
Total amount allocated for the third contest	\$227 964
Total grantee contributions and other sources	\$126 008
Average grant	\$20 724

CDSP Third Contest Projects

Project Complex

A Step toward Developing the Social Infrastructure in Shalinsky Raion, Republic of Chechnya» (\$45 000)

Thematic projects included in the Project Complex:

1. Introduction of energy-efficiency techniques in the water supply system in Shalinsky Raion, Republic of Chechnya (\$25 000);
2. Clean water: modernization of the water supply system in Shalinsky Raion in the Republic of Chechnya (\$20 000).

Project Complex

Improving the Social Infrastructure and the Quality of Life in a Community Located in the Mountain Area of Prigorodny Raion in the Republic of North Osetia-Alania» (\$56 018)

Thematic projects included in the Project Complex:

1. Modernization of the municipal bakery in Dargavs Settlement in Prigorodny Raion (\$11 020);
2. Modernization of the water supply system in Lamardon Settlement in Prigorodny Raion (\$20 000);
3. Modernization of the power transmission line in Dargavs Settlement in Prigorodny Raion (\$25 000).

Project Complex

Youth Development and School Infrastructure Improvement as a Factor of Improving Education Services (\$61 946).

Thematic projects included in the Project Complex:

1. Improving living conditions in Residential School # 1 in Zavodskoi District, Grozny (\$24 938);
2. Installing a water supply system and improving sanitary standards in Middle School # 35 in Andreyevskaya Dolina Settlement, Zavodskoi District, Grozny (\$17 825);
3. Motivating youth to become active citizens with positive life attitudes (\$19 182).

Project Complex

Integration of Internally Displaced Persons from Mountain Areas in Chechnya into the Local Community (\$65 000)

Thematic projects included in the Project Complex:

1. Elimination of illiteracy and emotional rehabilitation of children from internal refugee families (\$20 000);
2. Organizing creative activities in the Children's Art School in Oiskhar Settlement» (\$25 000);
3. Integrating internal refugees in the community of Oiskhar Settlement through organizing after-school activities for children and creating employment opportunities for women (\$20 000);

Project Complex

A Step toward Developing the Social Infrastructure in Shalinsky Raion, Republic of Chechnya

Requested amount \$45 000 Grantee contribution \$94 114 Total cost \$142 114

Thematic projects included in the Project Complex:

3. «Introduction of energy-efficiency techniques in the water supply system in Shalinsky Raion, Republic of Chechnya»;
4. «Clean water: modernization of the water supply system in Shalinsky Raion in the Republic of Chechnya».



Municipal Profile

Shalinsky Raion is situated in the southeastern part of the plain land in the Republic of Chechnya and includes 12 populated centers with a total population of over 50,000 people, including internally displaced persons (refugees) who fled to this region as a result of armed conflicts in their former settlements. Unemployment in this group of the population exceeds 60%. These people subsist on pensions and unemployment benefits, keep cattle and grow their own vegetables.

Community problems addressed by the Project Complex:

- Inefficient energy consumption during the operation of water pumping devices of the system of supplying water to municipal institutions and the private residential sector;
- The need to reduce the consumption of produced water resources;
- The need in good quality water (meeting sanitary standards and not causing danger to human health) at municipal institutions and in the private residential sector.

Synergetic effect of the Project Complex:

All the projects of this complex are aimed at addressing topical social and economic issues. The project outcomes will noticeably improve the quality of life in the community and will help the municipal authorities to use the acquired experience in the future to seek solutions to local problems using their own resources. Another development feature will be the ability of municipal institutions to save funds and use them for their own needs. Community members will benefit from the improvement of the quality of services and also from the possibility to save money. Municipal institutions will reinvest savings in the following way: the budgets of these organizations are spent for paying for services provided by the state. The budgets include a line “Other

expenses” that are used for the needs of the organization. After the end of the projects, they will be able to save funds from the line “Services”, thus increasing the line “Other expenses” and using it for acquiring equipment, consumables, and visual aids to improve the quality of services.

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Title	Category	Profile
Nizam Regional Public Fund	Non-profit	Assistance to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • establishing peace and stability in the Republic of Chechnya; • forming a modern civil society; • reviving the economic, cultural, educational and public health systems in the republic.
Plastik-Profy LLC	Business	Assistance to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • filling the local market with goods and services; • business development; • the revival of the republic’s economy.

Duration (months) 9 **Start date** 01/04/ 2008 **End date** 30/12/2008

Project «Introduction of energy-efficiency techniques in the water supply system in Shalinsky Raion, Republic of Chechnya»

Organization:

Nizam Regional Public Fund

Type of organization:

Non-profit

Start date April 01, 2008

End date November 30, 2008

Project summary:

Project activities will include:

- Drilling a new water well and replacing the old pipeline;
- Installing an energy-efficient pump and replacing the out-dated electric transformer.

These activities will significantly improve the quality of drinking water used by the community of Belgatoi Settlement and, in particular, by the patients of the local hospital. After the end of the project, a presentation of its results will be organized for the community, local government and NGOs.

Location of dissemination:

Belgatoi Settlement, Republic of Chechnya, Shalinsky Raion

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Project coordinator:

Anzor Daudov, Program Manager of the Nizam Public Fund

Project objectives:

Belgatoi settlement is located in the center of the raion and is one of the suppliers of energy resources to the other settlements of this raion. This project will focus on:

- improving the quality of drinking water in the community;
- solving the problem of excess power consumption by the central pumping facilities;
- reducing power consumption in the community and, thus, lowering the burden on the settlement's transforming devices and neighboring settlements that are part of the same municipality.
- saving funds that were previously spent for urgent repairs of pumping equipment and payments for excess power consumption.

Anticipated results:

This project will reduce power consumption in the community and, thus, lower the burden on the electric transforming facilities in the community and other populated centers located nearby and included in the same municipality. Following guidelines from Vodokanal experts, an F3-16 pump will be installed with a capacity of P=0.55 kW that allows to save up to 1.5 kW/h. A transformer with a capacity of 40 kW will be separately installed at the water tower and will help save approximately the same amount of electricity. As a result, the local self-government will be able to save fund that are now spent for urgent repairs of the existing equipment (up to 1,500 rubles a month) and for paying for excess electricity (over 15,000 rubles).

The pressure of the supplied water will be sufficient for providing drinking water to over 4, 500 residents of the municipality, including 2,000 students. The water supply of the local hospital that services the whole raion will also improve, as well as the communal farm – both of which are the primary employers and sources of income in this community.

Total project amount
\$ 71 730

Grantee contribution
\$46 730

Awarded grant
\$25 000

Project «Clean water: modernization of the water supply system in Shalinsky Raion in the Republic of Chechnya»

Organization:

Plastik-Profy LLC

Type of organization:

Business

Start date April 1, 2008

End date December 31, 2008

Project summary:

This project is aimed at creating conditions to improve the quality of life in the community by involving citizens and local self-government into a waters supply project. Plans include:

- modernizing a 2,500-m pipeline;
- supplying water to educational institutions (with over 2,000 students), the raion hospital and to all community members (nearly 5,000 people).

Location of dissemination:

Belgatoi Settlement, Shalinsky Raion, Republic of Chechnya

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Project coordinator:

Suleiman Muzayev, Deputy Director.

Project objectives:

This project helps solve a priority problem facing both the community and municipal institutions: supply of clean and accessible water. Another important issue is the possibility to save funds that are presently spent for buying clean water.

Anticipated results:

The 2,500-m modernized pipeline will bring water to educational institutions with over 2,000 students and the raion hospital, which services the entire population of the raion (over 50,000 people), as well to the local community, where nearly 5,000 people live.

Total project amount
\$ 70 384

Grantee contribution
\$50 384

Awarded grant
\$20 000

Project Complex

Improving the Social Infrastructure and the Quality of Life of the Community Located in the Mountain Area of Prigorodny Raion in the Republic of North Osetia-Alania

Requested amount \$56 020 Grantee contribution \$8 500 Total cost \$64 520

Thematic projects included in the Project Complex:

1. Modernization of the municipal bakery in Dargavs Settlement in Prigorodny Raion
2. Modernization of the water supply system in Lamardon Settlement in Prigorodny Raion
3. Modernization of the power transmission line in Dargavs Settlement in Prigorodny Raion



Municipality Profile

Dargavs Settlement is situated at a height of 1,500 m above sea level in Dargavskaya mountain valley. The famous monument of outstanding universal significance, an ancient burial site “The City of the Diseased”, is located not far from the settlement. The local municipal administration is based in Dargavs and its authority extends to the settlements of Dargavs, Fazikau, Djimara, Lamardon, Kakadur, Khintsag, Akhsany and Naifat. There are 200 homesteads in Dargavs. The Karmadon municipal administration, which is located at a 10-km distance

from Dargavs, extends its authority to a group of settlements that include a total of 130 homesteads. In summer, the population in all the settlements increases 1.5-2 folds due to the arrival of students studying geology, seasonal agricultural workers, and vacationers. Every year, nearly 500 guests stay at the Kakhtisar Youth and Tourist Center. A modern motor road is now being built over the neighboring gorge that will reduce the distance to the republic’s capital, Vladikavkaz, by 40-45 km. This will make it much easier for local residents to deliver their agricultural products to farmers’ markets in Vladikavkaz.

Community problems addressed by the Project Complex:

Aim of project complex – to support activity of social organizations in remote mount area of Dargavs and Karmadon municipalities: school, two medical offices, bakery, summer sport camp and post-office.

- Year-round supply of bread and bakery products to the population of the mount area of Prigorodny Raion;
- Uninterrupted supply of drinking water to the population of the mount area of Prigorodny Raion;

Regular power supply to the population of the mountain area of Prigorodny Raion.

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Organizations, members of the Project Complex:

Project	Title	Category	Profile
CDSP3-2/1	Dargavs Municipal Administration, Prigorodny Raion, Republic of North Osetia-Alania	Government	Promotion of the social and economic development of the municipality.
CDSP3-2/2	Aluton-2 LLC	Business	A construction firm specializing in building infrastructure facilities and houses and structures of the I and II Criticality Ratings in accordance with government standards.
CDSP3-2/3	Standard LLC	Business	Modernization, construction and repair of trunk power networks in the Republic of North Osetia-Alania.

Synergetic effect of the Project Complex:

All three projects are closely interconnected and are aimed at improving living conditions in mountain settlements, which, in turn, will help decrease the outflow of the population from the mountain area of Prigorodny Raion. The Municipal Administration of this raion will keep the energy savings from the project modernizing the power lines in the budget of the municipality and will spend them on new energy-efficiency projects.

Duration (months) 6 **Start date** 01/04/ 2008 **End date** 30/09/2008

Project «Modernization of the municipal bakery in Dargavs Settlement in Prigorodny Raion»

Organization:

Dargavs Municipal Administration, Prigorodny Raion, Republic of North Osetia-Alania

Type of organization:

Government

Start date April 1, 2008

End date September 30, 2008

Project summary:

This project will commission a new bakery that will provide fresh bread and sweet rolls to the population of Dargavskaya and Karmadonskaya local self-government administrations. The following modern bakery equipment: dough-maker with a capacity of 250 loaves of bread an hour and consuming 1.1 kW; a 60-liter stainless steel dough trough; new bread molds; a water heater; modern electrical equipment; and a cabinet oven for baking 120 loaves of bread an hour. New jobs will be created in the bakery, where working conditions will be improved by replacing the old windows and modernizing the water supply system.

Location of dissemination:

Prigorodny Raion: Dargavs Local Self-Government Administration (8 settlements) and Karmadon Local Self-Government Administration (5 settlements). Total number of permanent residents – over 1,000.

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Project coordinator:

Valery Khapsayev, Deputy Director of the *Ossetia Mountains* Program

Project objectives:

This project will ensure an uninterrupted supply of bread products to social institutions (firstly, the local school and the Kakhtisar Youth Camp) and the community. The existing bakery in the Dargavs Settlement is morally and physically obsolete. It is operated by two workers who bake 50-70 loaves of bread during one shift. Bread is brought in to the settlement from other raions, but in winter this does not take place regularly, due to bad weather conditions.

Anticipated results:

The commissioning of a new bakery with new modern equipment will allow supplying fresh bread and rolls to the residents of Dargavskaya and Karmadonskaya local self-government administrations where over 310 families live. Eight new jobs will be created and from 550 to 600 loaves of bread will be produced during one shift.

Total project amount
\$13 020

Grantee contribution
\$2 000

Awarded grant
\$11 020

Project «Modernization of the water supply system in Lamardon Settlement in Prigorodny Raion»

Organization:

Aluton-2 LLC

Type of organization:

Business

Start date April 1, 2008

End date September 30, 2008

Project summary:

This project will provide water supply from source located at a distance of 3,000 m from Lamardon Settlement. It is the nearest source of good quality drinking water. A pipeline will be laid with the active participation of community members and a tank for accumulating water, as well as a concrete water conduit wells will be installed.

Location of dissemination:

Lamardon Settlement and 3 villages – Fazikau, Khintsag and Akhsany – in Prigorodny Raion, Republic of North Ossetia-Alania

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Project coordinator:

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Project objectives:

The problem of supplying drinking water to the population has still not been resolved in the settlements of Dargavaskaya Administration. Because of irregular water supply, especially in winter, a large part of the population is compelled to take water for household needs from an open water body (a river).

Anticipated results:

A polyethylene pipe pipeline (3,000 m with a diameter of 50 mm) will be laid and a steel tank holding 6 cubic m of water and several concrete water conduit wells (diameter 1,000 mm) with cast-in-place walls and a precast concrete covering will be installed. Each farmstead and social institution (bakery, school, outpatient clinic and medical and obstetrical center) will be supplied year-round with drinking water.

Total project amount	Grantee contribution	Awarded grant
\$25 000	\$5 000	\$20 000

Project «Modernization of the power transmission line in Dargavs Settlement in Prigorodny Raion»

Organization:

Standard LLC

Type of organization:

Business

Start date April 1, 2008

End date August 30, 2008

Project summary:

This project will install new power transmission lines and innovative self-supporting wires (cables), which will ensure an uninterrupted and stable power supply; and modernize equipment at the electric power substation and switchgear installations.

Location of dissemination:

Djimara Settlement and 4 villages with a population of 233 people, Prigorodny Raion, Republic of North Ossetia-Alania

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Project coordinator:

Kazbek Samayev, Director of the Standard LLC

Project objectives:

Uninterrupted and stable power supply to 5 settlements in Darganskaya Administration.

Anticipated results:

Additional modernization of power lines, reduction of power losses, and an interrupted and reliable power supply. Thirty concrete poles will be replaced and 1,000 m of self-supporting wires in 30 houses will be installed. As a result, the local social institutions – the bakery, school, outpatient clinic and the medical and obstetrical center - and 65 private houses will be provided with normal lighting. The expected power savings will reach 108, 007 kW a year, while the local self-government administration will be saving 140, 410 rubles a year.

Total project amount
\$26 500

Grantee contribution
\$1 500

Awarded grant
\$25 000

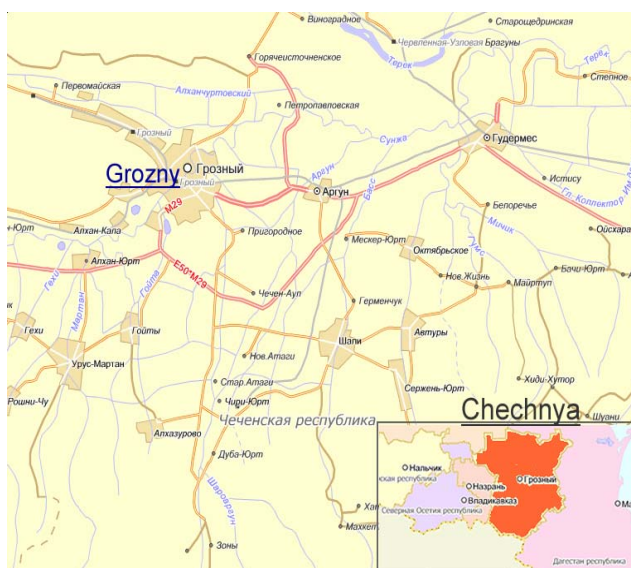
Project Complex

Youth Development and School Infrastructure Improvement as a Factor of Improving Educational Services

Requested amount \$61 946 Grantee contribution \$10 027 Total cost \$71 973

Thematic projects included in the Project Complex :

1. «Improving living conditions in Residential School # 1 in Zavodskoi District, Grozny»
2. «Installing a water supply system and improving sanitary standards in Middle School # 35 in Andreyevskaya Dolina Settlement, Zavodskoi District, Grozny»
3. «Motivating youth to become active citizens with positive life attitudes»



Municipality Profile:

Zavodskoi District in Grozny, Republic of Chechnya, where Residential School #1 and Middle School # 35 are located, is one of the city's areas that was most badly destroyed during military operations. Despite the current infrastructure restoration activities in the city, the raion still lacks water supply and the two schools have not yet been refurbished. The main reason for this is their location at the edge of the city. Such a location is also the reason of the inadequate involvement of local school pupils in the current educational, social and other processes now taking place in the Republic of Chechnya.

The community is still in a situation of information isolation. School #35 has 36 teachers, 20 support employees and 510 pupils. Residential School # 1 has 300 pupils, of which 84 stay their around-the-clock and 49 are orphans. There are 25 teachers in this school and 42 support employees (including night-shift attendants, library staff, cooks, etc.).

Community problems addressed by the Project Complex:

- Lack of a water supply system and a fire-prevention reservoir in School # 35, which is the reason of poor sanitary and fire-prevention conditions;
- The building of Residential School # 1 is not suited for life and study. During the heating season it is very cold in the classrooms, the dining room and in the dormitories, which leads, on the one hand, to an increase of respiratory illnesses among the pupils and, on the other hand, to excess and inefficient power consumption;
- The youth living in the city outskirts does not have access to personal development opportunities and is not involved in addressing local socially significant issues – this gives young people a feeling of needlessness and social isolation.
- The low social involvement of the youth leads to an increase of delinquency and forms negative attitudes and false stereotypes; municipal management principles are not understood by the community, including the youth;
- The lack of effective forms of interaction between the municipal government and local residents is considerably hampering community development. Neither the local government, nor the residents strive to cooperate or to delegate rights and obligations to each other.

This situation prevents all the sectors of the community to properly prepare for the introduction of Federal Law # 131 “On the General Principles of Local Self-Government” in the Republic of Chechnya, which, in turn,

makes it impossible to form effective local self-government structures that are essential for community sustainable development.

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Contact person of the Project Complex:

Vasily Yerkiyev, chairman of Stimul, a regional NGO.

Synergetic effect of the Project Complex:

- Develop a model for resolving problems facing educational institutions in Zavodskoi District in Grozny by means of consolidating the efforts of local government, the community and the school management;
- Utilize the capabilities and resources of non-government organizations to further interaction between the local self-government of Zavodskoi District and government authorities at the level of the city and the republic, as well as with youth from the educational institutions;
- Attract additional investment for dealing with the most critical problems; promote energy efficiency and install a water supply system in local general education institutions; and create mechanisms for reinvesting energy savings;
- Enhance the quality of public health measures in educational institutions; educate youth to become socially responsible; and identify and train youth leaders as one of the key factors of sustainable community development.

In accordance with an agreement reached with officials from the Republic of Chechnya Ministry of Education and the City of Grozny Department of Education, funds saved by the Project Complex on heating, lighting and supplying water to educational institutions will be redistributed for the needs of School # 35 and Residential School # 1. The specific use of these moneys will be decided taking into account the opinions of organizations, members of the Project Consortium, as well as of schoolchildren and their parents.

Organizations, members of the Project Complex

Project	Title	Category	Profile
CDSP3-3/1	Stimul, a regional NGO	Non-profit	Assistance in the sphere of health protection of educators; support to educational, scientific and sports activities; and aid to educators, whose social and legal rights are violated.
CDSP3-3/2	Dialogue, a regional youth public movement	Non-profit	Engaging youth in civic activities; ensuring an observance of civil rights; and promoting the health of citizens.
CDSP3-3/3	Regional Public Philanthropic Fund for the Support of NGOs	Non-profit	Pooling the efforts and resources of legal entities and individuals for the implementation of charitable, educational and social training programs; facilitating a greater influence of NGOs on the government's social policy and assisting them in promoting citizen awareness.

Duration (months) 9 **Start date** 01/04/ 2008 **End date** 31/12/2008

Project «Improving living conditions in Residential School # 1 in Zavodskoi District, Grozny»

Organization:

Stimul, a regional NGO

Type of organization:

Non-profit

Start date April 1, 2008

End date September 30, 2008

Project summary:

This project will replace 14 windows (in the school's cafeteria, 2 bedrooms and 2 classrooms) with plastic multiple glass units. In the rooms of Residential School # 1, old lamps will be replaced with new energy-efficient ones. The students will take an active part in project activities. The old wooden window frames and glass will be used for other purposes.

Location of dissemination:

Zavodskoi District in Grozny with a population of 15,000.

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Project coordinator:

Vasily Yarkiyev, Chairman of Stimul Regional NGO

Project objectives:

The school building of Residential School # 1 has not been renovated for over 10 years. The building is not fit for the educational process. During the heating season, it is very cold in the classrooms, cafeteria and bedrooms, which causes, on the one hand, an increase of colds among the pupils, and, on the other hand, an inefficient use of electricity (for example, when the electric stove in the kitchen is turned on, a power failure occurs at the entire school). Considering that 350 children attend Residential School # 1 (84 of whom live there permanently and of these 60 are orphans) and there are 25 teachers and 42 general staff members (including night attendants, librarians, cooks, etc.), this critical problem requires immediate attention.

Anticipated results:

- 30% of heat will be saved after 14 new windows are installed;
- The 150 new energy-efficient lamps will allow to save, on the average, 50% of electricity – the saved funds will be used for addressing the priority tasks of the school;
- The health of the pupils will improve (at present, 30% of them are ill constantly);
- The living conditions of 84 children who stay at the school year-round will improve; and the general conditions in the school and in the cafeteria, in particular, will improve for all the children and staff (417 people);
- 20-25 high school students will be taught, in the form of business games, to monitor and analyze price formation on the economic market in Chechen Republic; to negotiate and cooperate with the administration of Zavodskoi City District and NGOs; and to take part in volunteer activities.

Total project amount
\$ 26 180

Grantee contribution
\$1 242

Awarded grant
\$24 938.

Project «Installing a water supply system and improving sanitary standards in Middle School # 35 in Andreyevskaya Dolina Settlement, Zavodskoi District, Grozny»

Organization:

Dialogue, a regional youth public movement

Type of organization:

Non-profit

Start date April 1, 2008

End date September 30, 2008.

Project summary:

This project will carry out a set of measures to provide the school with a standard water supply system that will involve installing a water storage tank and acquiring and installing a water supply system and service lines for supplying water to the school's cafeteria.

Location of dissemination:

Andreyevskaya Dolina Settlement, Zavodskoi District, Grozny. Number of beneficiaries – nearly 600 people from the school. There are 3,200 residents in the settlement.

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Project coordinator:

Laila Aubova, Chairman of Dialogue, a regional youth public movement

Project objectives:

School # 35 in Andreyevskaya Dolina Settlement lacks a water supply system. Water is delivered and stored in a plastic container that is kept near the school building in summer and is brought into the cafeteria in winter. There is no system supplying water to the cafeteria. This water storage practice violates existing sanitary and health standards. Water is delivered to the school once or twice a week and because of a lack of a stationary water storage tank there is always a shortage of water for preparing food, washing and for other needs.

Anticipated results:

As a result of installing a water supply system in School # 35:

- Nearly 600 people will be provided with water at all time;
- The school's fire security system will be improved;
- The quality of food in the school's cafeteria will improve;
- The infrastructure of the school will be upgraded: a water storage tank with a capacity of 15 tons will be installed; over 25 m of pipes will be laid; water will be supplied to the cafeteria; and a pump, kitchen sink, a geyser and a washstand for the children will be put in place.

Total project amount
\$ 19 015

Grantee contribution
\$ 1 190

Awarded grant
\$ 17 825

Project «Motivating youth to become active citizens with positive life attitudes»

Organization:

Regional Public Philanthropic Fund for the Support of NGOs

Type of organization:

Non-profit

Start date April 1, 2008

End date December 31, 2008

Project summary:

This project will organize a series of activities in School # 35, Residential School # 1, School # 6, School # 47 and School #39 in Zavodskoi District in Grozny aimed at:

- Educating youth and acquainting it with the principles of interacting with the government and non-government sectors;
- Identifying and developing youth leaders;
- Forming sustainable multi-sector cooperation mechanisms (pupils, educational institutions, NGOs, government authorities of Zavodskoi District, the Public Chamber, and the Commissioner for Human Rights in the Republic of Chechnya);
- Increasing youth participation and legal awareness and involving it in local decision-making.

Location of dissemination:

Zavodskoi District in Grozny

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Project coordinator:

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Project objectives:

Local children and youth are unable to become engaged in recreation and sports activities due to a lack of relevant facilities in schools and residential schools. There are no after-school activities centers in Zavodskoi Raion. Residential School # 1 does not have a gym, but there is a sports ground in the schoolyard that needs improvement. In School # 35, a gym was built but it has not been equipped with athletic equipment. These two schools are located in the outskirts of the city and, thus, are not properly involved in educational, social or other processes that are taking place in the Republic of Chechnya.

The low social activity of youth results in growing juvenile delinquency, dissemination of negative notions and perpetuation of false stereotypes. Both the local authorities and the community have no inclination to cooperate or delegate rights and obligations to each other. The principles of governance on a raion level are unclear to the local population, including the youth. The lack of effective interaction between local government and the community significantly curtails the prospects of future development.

Anticipated results:

Nearly 125 graduates of five local schools (Residential School # 1 and Schools #3, 35, 39, 6, and 47) will:

- receive new knowledge in various spheres (education, governmental and municipal governance, volunteer work, NGO activities, etc.);
- obtain experience in negotiating and interacting with local administrations and other government and non-government organizations; and
- work as volunteers in addressing local socially significant concerns.

Sports equipment will be acquired for the gym in School # 35 and for Residential School # 1, which lacks a gym. In the yard of School # 35, a sports ground will be built.

Total project amount
\$ 26 777

Grantee contribution
\$7 595

Awarded grant
\$ 19 182

Project Complex

Integration of Internally Displaced Persons from Mountain Areas in Chechnya into the Local Community

Requested amount \$65 000

Grantee contribution \$10 367

Total cost \$75 367

Thematic projects included in the Project Complex :

1. Elimination of illiteracy and emotional rehabilitation of children from internal refugee families
2. Organizing creative activities in the Children's Art School in Oiskhar Settlement
3. Integrating internal refugees in the community of Oiskhar Settlement through organizing after-school activities for children and creating employment opportunities for women



Municipality Profile:

This municipality includes the settlements of Novyi Shuani and Oiskhar in Gudermessky Raion, which is the second largest in the Republic of Chechnya. During the past two decades, the population of this raion almost doubled because of an inflow of internal refugees from mountain areas feeling from the inhumane actions and abuse by the military and guerillas. Over 128,000 people live there now. During the war, local government authorities were based in this raion, which made it a safer and less destroyed place. Its close proximity to peaceful Dagestan made it still more attractive from the economic point of view.

The entire population of Novyi Shuani consists of migrants from Shuani Settlement in Nozhai-Yurtovsky Raion (11,000 people). During the past two years, 50 families have moved here from mountain villages. Over 1,500 migrants relocated to Oiskhar from Nozhai-Yurtovsky and Vedensky raions (the total population of the settlement is 16,000 people). The two settlements are located at a distance of several kilometers from each other and from the raion capital Gudermes.

Community problems addressed by the Project Complex:

- Internal refugees from mountain areas lack sources of subsistence in their new place of residence and live below the poverty line.
- Almost 100% unemployment among the internal refugees who are unable to compete on the local employment market. They are not supported by the state because they have not been granted the official status of “migrants” (which was only granted to those who left Chechnya or lived in refugee camps). They receive only a fraction of humanitarian aid for the same reason and also because they are living in the private sector and not in temporary residence centers.
- Children and adolescents from these families fall behind their local peers by their level of education and economic situation and feel withdrawn and isolated. In Novyi Shuani, over 20 children and adolescents who do not know how to read and write were identified. The many years of living in a state of fear and humiliation has

affected their emotional state. These children easily come under the influence of extremist forces. Many of them have dropped out of school because they were ashamed to attend classes with younger children and without proper clothes and textbooks.

Synergetic effect of the Project Complex:

The successful integration of internally displaced persons into the life of the community and the creation of conditions for their development and professional growth will help lower social tension and improve the economic situation of their families. Creating conditions for leisure, athletic and art activities for the children will keep them out of mine danger. The positive changes in the lives of these people will prompt them to finally realize that the war is over and peace is back on our land. Following an agreement with the Department of Culture of Gudermessky Raion Administration, energy savings at the cost of replacing regular illumination with daylight illumination, replacing old wooden windows with plastic ones, and saving gas on heating the Children’s Art School will be used for renovating the school and running the summer Sunday Club at the school.

Contact person of the Project Complex:

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Organizations, members of the Project Complex проектов:

Title	Category	Profile
Sozidaniye, a regional NGO	Non-profit	Implementation of peacekeeping and children’s cultural and education programs; and emotional and social rehabilitation of children and women. Special attention is focused on internal refugees from mountain areas of the Republic of Chechnya. During the past 4 years, the organization founded 4 Sunday Clubs and 2 classes for eliminating illiteracy among children and adolescents.
Chechnya Regional Branch of the Russian Child Aid Fund	Non-profit	Implementation of cultural and educational programs; emotional and social rehabilitation of children; and support to talented children.
Art-Serlo, a regional NGO	Non-profit	Organization of after-school activities for children; support to talented children; emotional rehabilitation by means of art therapy; and preservation of traditional national crafts.

Duration (months) 9 **Start date** 01/04/ 2008 **End date** 31/12/2008

Project «Elimination of illiteracy and emotional rehabilitation of children from internal refugee families»

Organization:

Sozidaniye, a regional NGO

Type of organization:

Non-profit

Start date April 1, 2008

End date December 1, 2008

Project summary:

Project activities will include organizing an accelerated literacy course for 20 children and adolescents aged 12-19 at the school in Shuani Settlement. The one-year primary-school course will be taught by an experienced primary-school teacher together with an assistant and with the help of volunteers, high school students. Art-Sinten Sunday Club will be opened at the local Leisure Center with the participation of volunteer high school students. In summer, children from problem families, orphans, and semi-orphans will undergo an art rehabilitation course at the Club. The children will plant trees and shrubs in the schoolyard that presently lacks a single plant.

Location of dissemination:

Novye Shuani Settlement, Gudermessky Raion, Republic of Chechnya (population 11,000). The local secondary school (459 pupils).

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Project coordinator:

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Project objectives:

As a result of monitoring conducted by our organization, we have identified 20 illiterate children and adolescents in Shuani Settlement, whose residents are internal refugees that have relocated from the mountains. These children do not know how to read or write – this being a result of prolonged military actions. The project will also involve emotional rehabilitation and social adaptation activities for children from internal refugee families. Shrubs and trees will be planted in the yard of the local school.

Anticipated results:

20 children and adolescents will receive a primary education and, thus, will become full-fledged members of society; seven high-school students will acquire experience in volunteer work; 25 children with post-traumatic disorders will undergo an art therapy course that will cure them emotionally. During the summer, trees and shrubs will be planted in the schoolyard of the local school that presently does not have a single plant. Project experience in art rehabilitation and elimination of illiteracy will be summarized in a brochure and offered to 200 NGOs and schools.

Total project amount
\$24 125

Grantee contribution
\$4 125

Awarded grant
\$20 000

Project «Organizing creative activities in the Children’s Art School in Oiskhar Settlement»

Organization:

Chechnya Regional Branch of the Russian Child Aid Fund

Type of organization:

Non-profit

Start date April 1, 2008

End date September 30, 2008

Project summary:

This project will replace wooden windows and doors with plastic ones that are heat and sound insulating; replace glow lamps with special energy-efficient lamps that will improve the level of illumination and save electricity; and build a fence around the school that will secure the trees and shrubs from cattle and will create a convenient environment for the student’s art studies. In accordance with an agreement reached with the Department of Culture of Gudermess Administration, all energy savings will remain at the disposal of the school and will be used for renovating its building and organizing Sunday Clubs in the future.

Location of dissemination:

Oiskhar Settlement, Gudermessky Raion, where over fifteen hundred internal refugees from Nozhai-Yurtovsky and Vedensky raions reside currently (the total population of this settlement is 16,000)

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Project coordinator:

Oyub Titiyev, Chechnya Regional Branch of the National Public Fund “National Children’s Fund”.

Project objectives:

The children’s art school in Oiskhar Settlement is one of the best in the republic. The creative works of its students have repeatedly won prizes at national and international exhibitions. The director of the school, Adem Ilyasov, is an Honored Worker of Culture of the Russian Federation. However, in the school building, which was built in 1946 and has never since been refurbished, the teachers are unable to realize their creative potential. The project will lay a foundation for a steady creative process in the school and will turn it into a center for assisting children from families of internal refugees.

Anticipated results:

Over one hundred students of the children’s art school will study in warm classrooms with good lighting. They will also attend nature drawing lessons right in the school yard - because of the danger of land mines these lessons cannot be conducted in other places. The saved funds will allow 25 adolescents to study at the Sunday Club at an art rehabilitation group during the summer. The planned energy-saving activities (replacement of 12 windows and two doors and the use of energy-efficiency lamps) will reduce energy consumption in the school by four times.

Total project amount
\$29 362

Grantee contribution
\$4 362

Awarded grant
\$25 000

Project «Integrating internal refugees in the community of Oiskhar Settlement through organizing after-school activities for children and creating employment opportunities for women»

Organization:

Art-Serlo, a regional NGO

Type of organization:

Non-profit

Start date April 1, 2008

End date September 30, 2008

Project summary:

Art-Serlo will build a sports ground and a playground in the yard of School # 2 in Oiskhar Settlement and a running track in the yard of the local children's art school. Sewing courses will be organized for women from internal refugee families who after graduation will be able to provide for their families.

Location of dissemination:

Oiskhar Settlement, Gudermessky Raion, Republic of Chechnya. The population of the settlement is 16,000 people, of which 5,000 are children, including 3,500 of school age and 1,500 of pre-school age.

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Project coordinator:

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Project objectives:

The goal of this project is to strengthen the health of young children and adolescents, to create suitable recreation sites for them and shield them from land mine danger. There are no recreation or sports facilities in the settlement and it is dangerous to play outside the settlement because of the presence of mines. The rate of unemployment among the settlement's 1,500 internal refugees is nearly 100% (90% in the republic); and the majority of these people live on the poverty line.

Anticipated results:

The new sports ground and gym will give nearly five thousand children a chance to rest and go into sports without endangering their lives. At the sewing courses organized by the project, 30 women will learn a vocation and will be able to provide for their families.

Total project amount
\$21 880

Grantee contribution
\$1 880

Awarded grant
\$20 000