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I. PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED DURING 2015

Project 1: “Enhancing the reintegration efforts for victims of trafficking in Albania”

Donor: Pro Victims

Duration: 1 October 2014 – 30 September 2016

Project 2: “Providing Sustainable Reintegration Assistance for Albanian Victims of Trafficking and those in risk of being trafficked”

Donor: UNODC

Duration: April 2015 – March 2016

Project 3: “Anti-Trafficking in Persons: Training of Trainers and Community Education Program”, in collaboration with US Peace Corps Albania Anti-Trafficking in Persons Committee (ATIP).

Donor: American Embassy in Tirana

Duration: 2014 – 2015 (12 months)

Project 4: “Center for educational activities for Victims of Trafficking”

Donor: Mary Ward Loreto

Duration: 2 years (ongoing)

Project 5: “Coach for employment”

Donor: Swiss Contact

Duration: ongoing

Project 6: “Enhancing the reintegration efforts for victims of human trafficking in Albania and Awareness training for people in need and professionals”

Donor: Renovabis

Duration: November 2014 – October 2017 (3 years)

Project 7: “Informing the community about the trafficking of women and girls and the alternative options”

Donor: UN WOMEN

Duration: September 2015 – February 2016

Project 8: “Our Voices”

Donor: University of Bedfordshire

Duration: 2013-2016

II. BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROGRAM

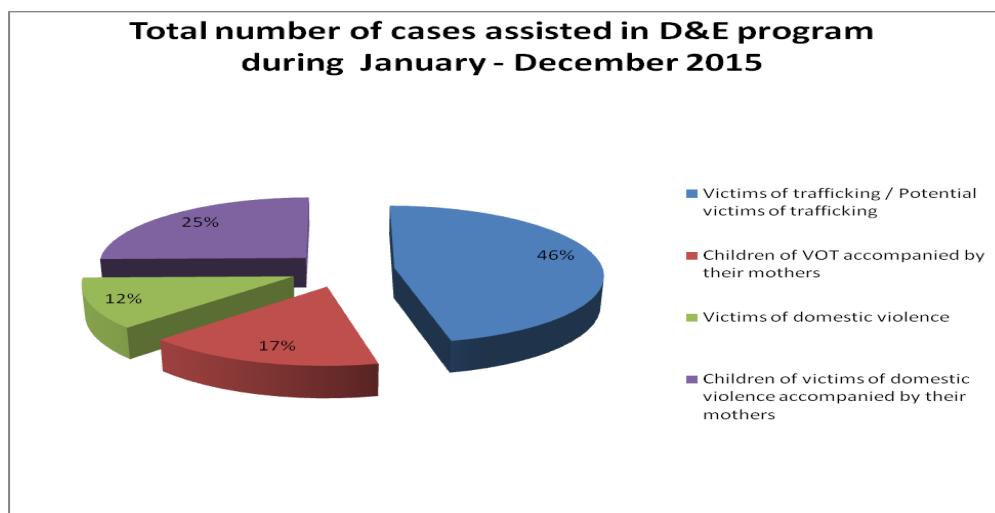
During the period, January – December 2015 have been assisted in the reintegration program of the organization 113 beneficiaries and 81 children of theirs, from which 56 cases and 45 children have entered in D&E program for the first time. The other cases have been carried from the last year and have continued to receive assistance according to their individual reintegration plan.

From the total beneficiaries, 90 cases assisted in D&E program have been victims / potential victims of trafficking and 32 their children. From these cases, 41 of them and 16, their children, have been new cases VoT / PVT entered in the program during this period.

23 other cases assisted by D&E program have been victims of domestic violence and abuses and their 49 their children.

Categories of beneficiaries assisted in program

Category	Total number of cases assisted in the program during January - December 2015	Casies carried from December 2014	New cases entered in the program during January – December 2015
Victims of trafficking / Potential victims of trafficking	90	49	41
Children of VOT accompanied by their mothers	32	16	16
Victims of domestic violence	23	8	15
Children of victims of domestic violence accompanied by their mothers	49	20	29
Total	194	93	101



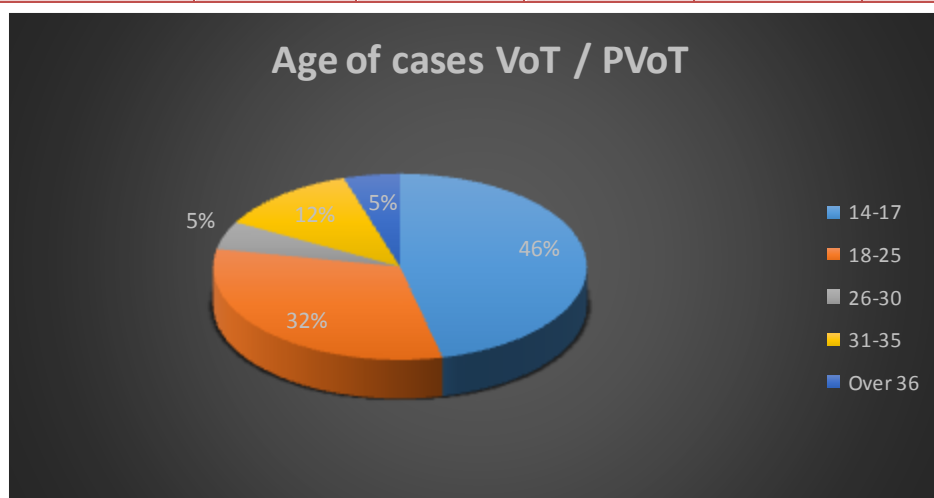
- **PROFILE OF CASES VICTIMS / POTENTIAL VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING**

Gender

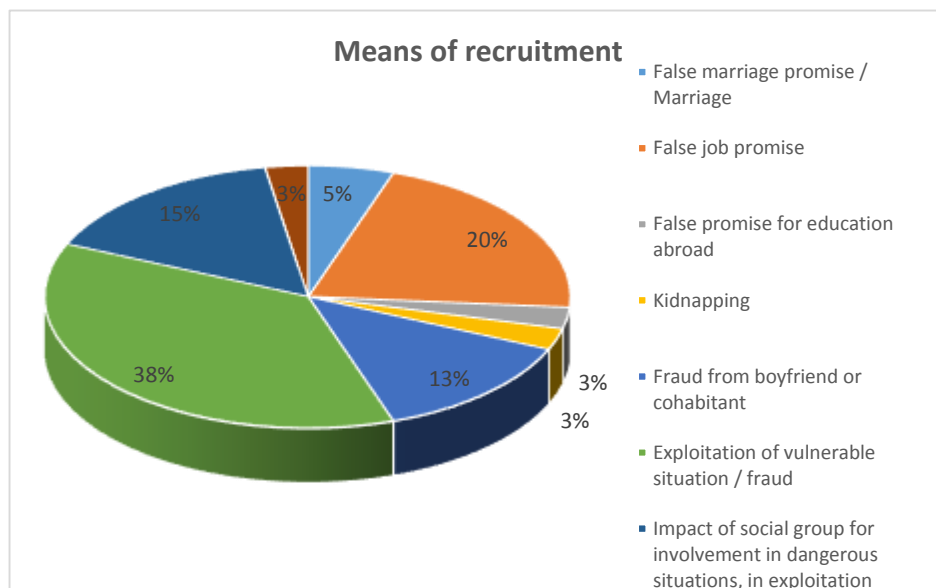
Gender	Number of ongoing cases	Number of new cases	Total
Females	32	35	67
Males	17	6	23
TOTAL	49	41	90

Age

Age	14-17	18-25	26-30	31-35	Over 36	Total
Number of cases	19	13	2	5	2	41
Percentage	46%	32%	5%	12%	5%	100%

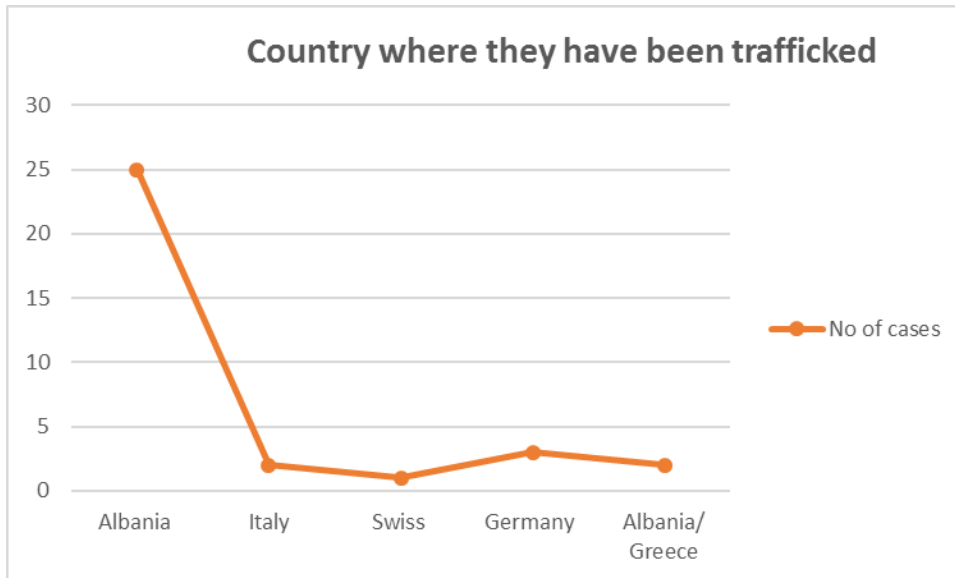


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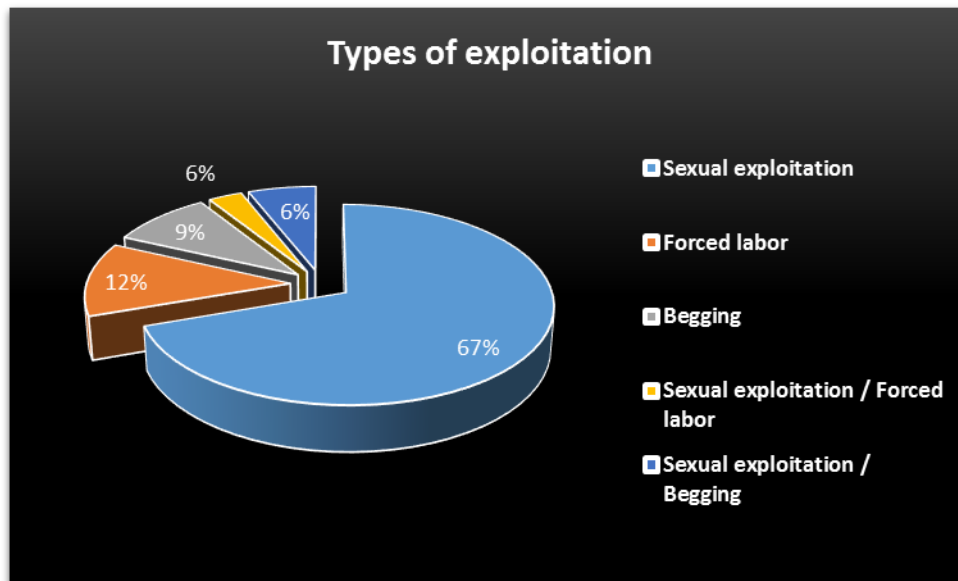


Country where they have been trafficked

Country where they have been trafficked	No. of cases
Albania	25
Italy	2
Swiss	1
Germany	3
Albania/ Greece	2



Type of exploitation



Referrals of cases by months

41 cases VoT / PVoT and 16 their children have entered in the program during this period.

Month	No. of referral cases	No. of children
January	2	2
February	3	1
March	5	2
April	4	3

May	1	0
June	2	1
July	4	0
August	1	1
September	6	3
October	7	2
November	4	0
December	2	1
Total	41	16

Source of referrals for new cases assisted during January – December 2015

Source of referrals	No. of cases
General Police Directorate	2
Police Directorate - Tirana	2
Police Directorate - Berat	1
Police Directorate - Durrës	2
Police Directorate, Municipality Rrëshen	2
Regional Directorate of Border and Migration	1
Police Commisariate no.2	1
Police Commisariate no.3	1
National Reception Center for Victims of Trafficking	3
Association “Tjetër Vizion”, Elbasan	2
Psycho-social center “Vatra”, Vlora	3
Child Protection Units (Tirane, Kucove)	2
ARSIS	1
Religious Institutions	2
SHKBSH	1
Children Institution, Saranda	1
National center for treatment of victims of domestic violence	2
IOM Tirana	1
Mobile Unit, Tirana	6
SOS Children’s Village	1
Save the Children	1
Organisation “SOLWODI”, Germany	2
Self-referred	1
TOTAL	41

- PROFILE OF VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ABUSES

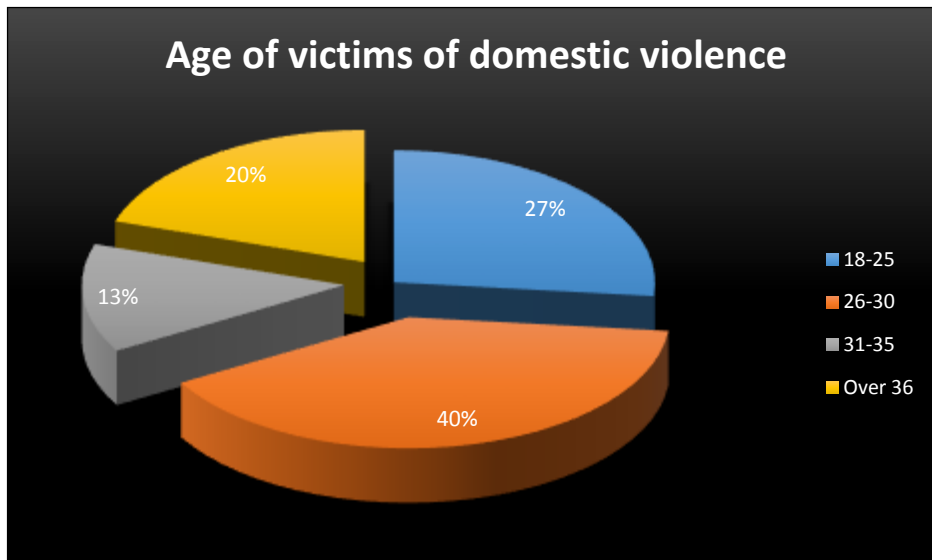
Gender

Gender	No. of ongoing cases	No. of new cases	TOTAL
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Females	8	14	22
Males	0	1	1
TOTAL	8	15	23

Age

Age	18-25	26-30	31-35	Over 36	Total
No. of cases	4	6	2	3	15
Percentage	27%	40%	13%	20%	100%



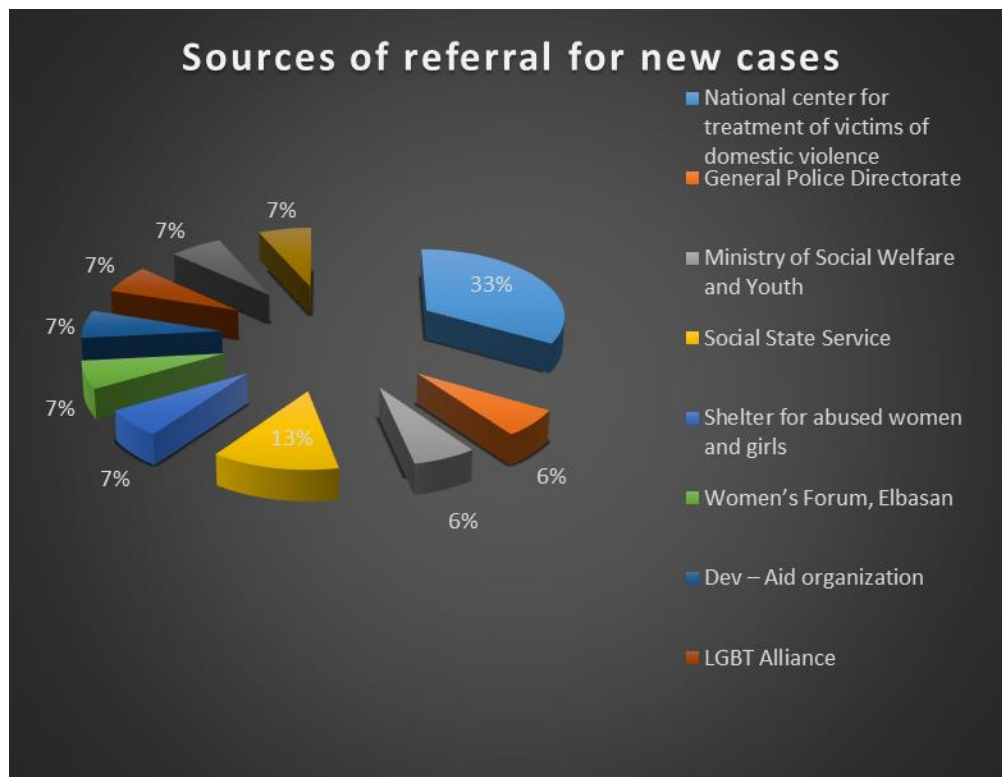
Referrals of victims of domestic violence cases by month

15 cases and 19 children have entered in the program during this period

Month	No. of referred cases	No. of children
January	2	6
February	1	3
March	2	3
April	1	2
May	1	1
June	3	6
July	2	2
August	0	0
September	1	3
October	0	0
November	1	0
December	1	3
Total	15	29

Source of referrals for new cases assisted during January – December 2015

Source of referrals	No. of cases
National center for treatment of victims of domestic violence	5
General Police Directorate	1
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	1
Social State Service	2
Shelter for abused women and girls	1
Women's Forum, Elbasan	1
Dev – Aid organization	1
LGBT Alliance	1
IOM Switzerland	1
Self-referred	1
TOTAL	15



III. THE MAIN PILLARS OF D&E WORK DURING 2015

The main activities implemented by the organization “Different & Equal” for the period January - December 2015:

- a. Direct assistance for girls and women victims of abuses, trafficking and domestic violence
- b. Contribution in assisting returned victims of trafficking, potential victims of trafficking or victims of domestic violence
- c. Direct assistance for males victims of abuses, trafficking and domestic violence
- d. Increasing the efforts for identification of victims / potential victims of trafficking
- e. Increasing the efforts for economic empowerment of victims of trafficking
- f. Advancing the cooperation with service providers and local institution
- g. Awareness raising activities on trafficking issues
- h. Activities to prevent sexual violence and trafficking

a. DIRECT ASSISTANCE FOR GIRLS AND WOMEN VIKTIMS OF TRAFFICKING

During 2015, D&E has continued to provide reintegration assistance for victims of trafficking in three phases of the program:

Faza #1: Preliminary assistance and accommodation

Faza #2: Transitional phase – semi independent living

Faza #3: Riintegration and social inclusion

A full package of reintegration services is provided to beneficiaries of the D&E:

Safe accommodation and reintegration plan; Immediate medical assistance; Family mediation; Evaluation and psycho – social counselling; Legal assistance; Assistance for enrolment/continuation of the school system; Vocational training; Social activities; Counselling and support for employment; Financial support for housing; Information on the services available in the community and the necessary contacts; map of services; Income generation programs; Assistance and support for the children of victims of trafficking ; Monitoring and follow-up of the beneficiaries of the program.

Beside the direct assistance provided for the beneficiaries, *D&E has also supported the victim’s family* – e.g. the children of the beneficiaries; assistance to find a job placement for the family members of the beneficiaries, accompany them to be registered at the Regional Employment office, help with food packages, involvement in programs or services offered by other service providers in the community, registration in vocational trainings, family counselling, etc.

Psychological and social services

A psycho-social evaluation is done for each new case that entered in the program during 2015. According to the beneficiaries needs, psychological counseling is offered for all the cases who are assisted in the reintegration program during this year. The following activities are conducted referring to the psycho-social services:

- ***Individual Counseling***- psychological and psycho-social counseling in the Residential Center and Educational Center
- ***Group Counseling***
- ***Art Therapy***
- ***Occupational Therapy***

“ I was feeling so bad when I first came here. I was having bad dreams, I cried a lot and felt sad for no reason. I was yelling at people all the time” – O . (15 years old, sexually abused at age 11 and trafficked when she was 14)

“I cry frequently and have bad thoughts. And when I think that I have had a life full of sufferings I don’t think that I will have good days. Sometimes I think to give an end to my life because I am not strong enough. - U. (21 years old, abandoned by the parents since in childhood and trafficked when she was a minor)

“I am nervous all the time, with every one, I have some sleep problems also” - T. (14 years old, sexually abused and trafficked)

1082 individual counseling sessions are offered through which the beneficiaries were helped to manage the symptoms of anxiety, depression, post traumatic stress disorder, social anxiety, sleep problems, anger and stress management, and conflict resolution.

Nr	Psychological Assistance	No. of sessions
1	Psychological individual counseling sessions	1082
2	Art Therapy Group	53

3	Play and Art Therapy (secondary beneficiaries)	7
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„ I am calm now and happy with what I am doing and everyone can notice my change.“ - E. (A victim of systematic violence and sexual abuse, after 6 months of psychological treatment)

„ Nobody has listened to me and I didn't talk to anyone for what happened to me. I feel relieved“ H. (Victim of Trafficking and abuse)

Art Therapy Group

Ana was sexually abused when she was 11 and later she was trafficked and was rescued from that experience only when she was 14 years old. She had just turned 15 when she started to frequent the Art Therapy Group. She was withdrawn, distrustful and had difficulties to be involved in discussion with others.

The only way she could engage with the group without being bothered by the group, was through art therapy. She liked how she could be part of the group and at the same time not being bothered by it, because this activity allows her to follow her own rhythm, express herself without needing words, and above all this helps her to feel worthy and creative.

Beside the counseling sessions, Art Therapy is part of Ana's treatment plan and helped her recovery.



Like Ana, there are 25 other beneficiaries who have been part of this experience in 53 group sessions during 2015. Sessions have been facilitated by the psychologist and assisted by two volunteers.



Some of the techniques that are used during this period:

- My dream ;
- Draw a bridge;
- Create your own world ;
- The future ;
- The best of me;
- The window of life;
- My freedom ;
- The recourse ;
- The path of life;
- The stress painting ;
- Painting the anger;
- Painting a secure place ;
- You are a tree ;

How I am, How I am seen, how I want to be;



Art course and handicrafts



„I like things that I make here. My family couldn't believe that the card I sent to them was made by me“ - E.

The beneficiaries created cards for special events. Some of them were sent to the relatives by the beneficiaries and some were sold in the fairs.

„ I gave my sister the earnings that I made at the course. It is a meaningful gift , I made them with love and with my own hands. I felt very happy that I could do something for her. - D.

The beneficiaries make bijou, some of them are sold in fairs and others are used by them. In the same way they work with T-shirts, personalizing them with writings and paintings. Other artistic works made by the girls are pots, canvas, art with recycled materials, tools for everyday use as bijou box, pencil holder, etc.

Art and Play Therapy (secondary beneficiaries)

During the reported period, the children of the beneficiaries are assisted as well. There are provided individual counseling sessions for the children and the interventions were done through Art and Play. The children are referred by their mothers because of the anxiety symptoms. According to the evaluation, the children complain about physical pain, sleep problems, difficulties in peers' relationship, academic problems and ongoing concerns as a consequence of the exposure to violence.

Medical assistance

D&E staff has addressed all the medical needs of the reintegration program beneficiaries. These kinds of services are offered primarily for the beneficiaries accommodated in the Reintegration Centre but also for those who are actually in the second phase of the program. After the medical assessment carried out by D&E doctor, the new cases entered in the program are supported to make the routine tests (complete blood tests, urine, STD examinations, etc.).

6 pregnant beneficiaries have been supported with the proper medical assistance needed during all the pregnancy period.

Medical diagnosis

Diagnosis	Urinary infections	Gastro-intestinal	Dermatological problems	Colic abdominal and renal	ORL problems	Allergic problems	Gynecological problems	Anemia	Dental problems	Oculist
No. of cases	6	7	6	4	17	5	18	8	9	7
No. of children		1		1	10	1		2		

Medical examinations

Examinations	STD		HIV/AIDS	
	Examined	Positive	Examined	Positive
No. of cases	27	12	27	0

Mental health problems

Mental disorders	Beneficiaries	Children
PTSD	3	2
Epilepsy		1
Borderline	1	
Depressive disorder	2	
Schizophrenia	1	

The beneficiaries who have resulted with STI, the diagnoses were mostly: Candida, Gonorrhea and Trichomonas vaginalis. No cases have resulted positive in hepatitis or HIV (+).

Finally after a continuous lobbying by the Ministry of Interior Affairs with Ministry of Health and the Health Insurance Institute, beneficiaries assisted in D&E program have been equipped with Health Cards. The beneficiaries have the opportunity to receive free health care at their family doctor in Health Center No. 9 in Tirana. This service will be offered for a period of 1 year, and also it will be renewed.

D&E has continued the collaboration with *Albanian University- Stomatology Branch*, *"Community Mental Health Centre No. 2"* and *Public Health Institute*. Through *Albanian University- Stomatology Branch* are provided free dental services to beneficiaries of the program.

The medical staff has organized group discussions on health issues such as: sexually transmitted infections, breast-feeding to the children 0-12 months, personal hygiene, how to protect themselves during the summer season or protection from the low temperatures, etc.

Legal assistance

During this period, D&E has provided assistance and legal advice to its beneficiaries. Legal assistance is provided to each beneficiary according to their needs and specifics of the case. For special occasions that require a more professional expertise D&E has collaborated with other organizations with expertise in the field of representation and legal assistance such as: Centre for Legal Civic Initiative (CLCI) and Association and free legal service "TLAS".

Legal assessments

Legal assessment needs proceeds all legal assistance process offered during the cases treatment within and outside the shelter. The lawyer of the D&E is the responsible person for legal evaluation assessment of all beneficiaries referred to the shelter. Usually, legal assessment process is organized at the beginning of the assistance through a direct interview of the case conducted in the presence of the case manager.

Cases assisted in the court

27 beneficiaries of D&E program have been continuously informed for their court processes against their traffickers through direct meetings with the respective prosecutors. The most part of the cases have been attended by the Prosecution of Serious Crimes District.

Developing legal topics

During the period January – December 2015 there were conducted regular meeting groups with beneficiaries in order to discuss various legal topics. These sessions served to inform and advise the beneficiaries for various topics and legal situations. The selected topics are related to practical problems faced by the beneficiaries, but also informative on the legal framework and different procedures. During these meetings, beneficiaries have had the possibilities to address different questions and to clarify their legal situation according to their cases. Based on a default graphic, during January – December 2015 have been organized in total 17 sessions on legal topics as below:

1. Human rights focusing on the fundamental human rights sanctioned in the Constitution of the Republic of Albania and other laws;
2. The legal framework against trafficking in persons, in particular the provisions of the Criminal Code that punish trafficking in persons;
3. The legal framework against domestic violence – Protection order and rights of victims of domestic violence;
4. Children's Rights seen in the context of the law no. 2010 "On protection of children's rights" – care and assistance for the children of the beneficiaries;
5. The legal framework for the registration in the civil status (birth registration, transfer of documentation from one resident place to another and other issues related to the civil status data);
6. Open discussions related to family (the family as law concept, marriage, divorce, division of property after the divorce, commitment of legal custody, legal

Support for foreign beneficiaries

During 2015, D&E has assisted two foreign beneficiaries (British and Congolese citizenship). The two beneficiaries have been assisted in different procedures related to the provision of documents or different applications, for ensuring services and document in institutions. For the beneficiary from UK is provided information from the local unit district for her civil status registration and is made possible the registration of her child in civil state. Also, she has been assisted for receiving the Temporary Residence Permit and lately the Work Permit. During 2015, for her children has been initiated the procedures to execution office in order to execute the decision of the court for the right to meet her other 3 children. During September 2015 she has also been assisted in the procedure of applying for British passport for her child. The beneficiary from Congo is under the process of insuring the temporary residence permit.

6 beneficiaries have applied for ID card. In order to ensure the ID card and other documents, D&E has collaborated with the local unit district, in which the shelter is located. For facilitation the process of the registration of civil status including insuring birth and family certificate D&E has collaborated with origin district Police Directorate in Albania.

Job training, professional courses

31 beneficiaries have attended professional courses during this year. Some beneficiaries have attended more than one course based on their individual skills and desires.

Professional courses / Vocational training

No	Courses	Provided by	No. of cases
1.	Italian Course	Professional training Center Volunteers of D&E	1 8

2.	Receptionist Course	Proffesional training Center	1
3.	Hairdressing & Aesthetic	Proffesional training Center Private Salon	6
4.	Cooking Course	Proffesional training Center Private vocational training Center	4
5.	Tailoring /Styling	Private Atelier Salon	1
8.	Computer Course	Educational Centre D&E	22
9.	English Course	Volunteers of D&E Proffesional training Center Private language Center	10 3 2
10.	Guitar Course	Educational Centre D&E	20
12.	German Course	Course Centre Univers	1
13.	Fashion Design Course	Private Atelier Salon	1
14.	Photography Course	Privat Photograph Studio	1

Parenting Classes – There are organized parenting classes for new mothers and pregnant women to help them in the process of parenting in order to increase parenting skills and to raise healthy children. 5 cases (mothers or potential mothers) have participated in this workshop.

Even during this period, the trainings and the educational activities for D&E beneficiares in the Education Centre have been essential. To enhance the life skills of beneficiares, D&E staff has organized various activities, trainings on various topics, group discussions, reading artistic books, support in teaching school or courses materials etc.

Education and Schooling

For the new cases entered in the program a careful assessment is done by D&E teacher to determine their level of education, and after that it has been developed an educational - learning plan as part of the individual reintegration plan of each beneficiary.

- 30 beneficiares have attended the school during this period, 3 of them have attended University.
- The beneficiares are regularly assisted by D&E teacher to be prepared, especially for those subjects where they have gaps from the past.
- All the beneficiaries are provided with books and other educational tools necessary for a better academic consistency.
- For new cases accommodated in the Reintegration Centre who didn't attend any school classes, individual work has been made, mainly in writing, reading, math, etc.
- Various information sessions are conducted by D&E teacher on various topics.
- D&E has collaborated with the Responsible Authority, the Ministry of Education and Sports and the Regional Education Directorate of Tirana for registering specific cases in the school system.

- Topics discussed:

Various information sessions are conducted by D&E teacher on topics such as:

- EU and the members
 - Earthquakes
 - Seasons and Equinox
 - Appropriate clothing for different occasions
 - How to make an announcement, a story, how to make a complaint, a request, an invitation
- a) *Teaching Subjects:*
- How to understand the content of an article, how to express it in the third person;
 - Mathematical operation with two-three digit numbers;
 - How to prepare the project of an apartment;
- b) *Funny themes:*
- Puzzle problems,
 - Suggestive exercises,
 - Imitations of humour actors,
 - Puzzle, ect
- c) *Historical Events:*
- 17 January – The death of Skanderbeg
 - 17 February- Kosovo ‘s Indipendence Day
 - Congress of Lushnja
 - 7 March- Teacher’s Day
 - 8 March – International Women’s Day
 - May 1 – Workers Day
 - May 5 – Day of Martyrs
 - 1 June – International Children Day
 - 18 October – Beatification of Mother Teresa
 - 28 November – Independence Day of Albania
 - 29 November – The liberation Day
- d) *Recreational and relaxing activities:*

- 14 February (Velentin’s Day)
- 7-8 March
- 103 Anniversary of Indipendence
- 71 Anniversary of the liberation of Albania
- Birthday celebrations of the beneficiaries and their children
- Free conversation about life in the shelter
- Polite communication -the key to success

Family mediation

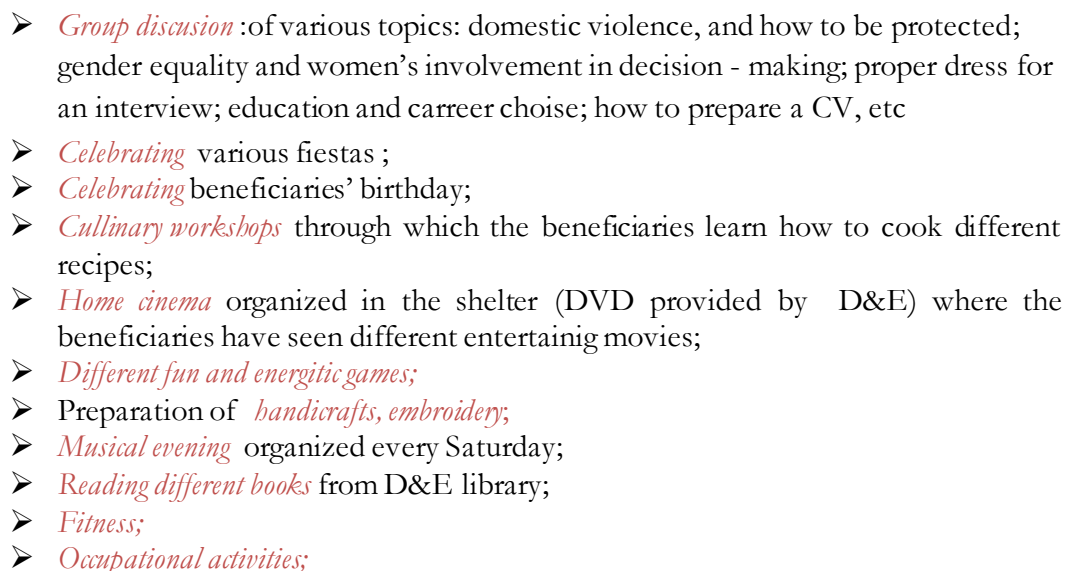
Case managers organize counseling sessions not only with the cases accommodated in the centre but also with their parents, sisters and brothers.

- 31 beneficiaries are assisted in the families of origine.
- 10 cases entered in the program during this period are assisted direct in the families.
- 4 cases joined their families during this period, and continue to be supported by D&E.
- Cases accommodated in the RC are supported by D&E staff to stabilize the relationship with their families.
- Cases are accompanied to meet with their family members by the social workers and psychologist in Tirana, but also they are accompanied to meet with their relatives in towns or villages where they live.
- D&E has collaborated with the police and other local organizations for establishing the contacts with their families and also organizing meetings at the premises of the Police Directorate especially for beneficiaries who have had security problems.
- Telephone calls are constantly realized with their families as well.

Socio – cultural activities

During this period, several social activities for the beneficiaries have been organized. The activities were organized both inside and outside the center.

- Indoor social activities:

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- *Group discusion* :of various topics: domestic violence, and how to be protected; gender equality and women's involvement in decision - making; proper dress for an interview; education and carriere choise; how to prepare a CV, etc
 - *Celebrating* various fiestas ;
 - *Celebrating* beneficiaries' birthday;
 - *Cullinary workshops* through which the beneficiaries learn how to cook different recipes;
 - *Home cinema* organized in the shelter (DVD provided by D&E) where the beneficiaries have seen different entertainig movies;
 - *Different fun and energitic games*;
 - Preparation of *handicrafts, embroidery*;
 - *Musical evening* organized every Saturday;
 - *Reading different books* from D&E library;
 - *Fitness*;
 - *Occupational activities*;

- **Outdoor social activities:**

There are organized different entertainment and informative activities outside of the shelter.

Some of the activities organized are:

- Visit to Dajti mountain, nearby Tirana;
- Coctail in a bar in San Valentine's Day and Women's Day;
- Picnic in Tirana Artificial Lake;
- Going to Laci Church;
- Visit to Durres Amphitheatre;
- Children of beneficiaries accompanied with their mothers in local playground;
- Going to the beach / swimming pool 4 days in June
- Visit to Kepi i Rodonit Church
- Going to Gjiri i Lalzit Beach
- Swimming pool two weeks in Summer, August

Entertainment activities outside of the shelter



The National Anti – trafficking Coordinator has distributed several gifts during the holiday seasons for the beneficiaries and their children.

Asistance for the children of beneficiaries

During this period, there were assisted in the D&E program 81 children accompanied with their mothers, from them 5 children have been assisted in the Reintegration Center and 76 from them have been assisted with their mothers in the second phase of the program.

- 20 children of the beneficiaries have regularly attended nursery and kindergarten, 12 from them are children of VoT/ PVoT
- 35 children have regularly attended school, 7 from them are children of VoT/ PVoT;
- All the children are immunized based on the vaccination scheme and are regularly followed by a pediatrician;

D&E has collaborated with the Center of Economic Development and Children Education for enrolment of children in kindergarten and nurseries.

Financial and long term assistance

- 99 cases and 73 children are assisted with services in the community in the second and the third phase of the reintegration program during the reported period.
- From these, 63 cases and 55 children are assisted in the rented apartments, 31 cases and 16 children are assisted in their families, 9 beneficiaries and 2 children are assisted in alternative placements.
- 23 new cases and their 32 children entered in the program assisted directly in the apartmentenets, 10 cases and their 4 children entered in the program assisted directly in the families, 2 cases and one child is assisted directly in another alternative placement.

- 7 cases after sheltering are assisted in the rented apartments, 6 cases and 1 child after sheltering are assisted in the family of origine.
- 1 case and her child after sheltering is assisted in another alternative placement.
- D&E has financially supported the beneficiaries covering the rent of their apartments in the second phase of the Reintegration Program, considered as a very important element in the process of thier empowerment, as well as towards the successful reintegration in the society.

Information on the services in the community

Case managers of D&E provide ongoing support for the cases that are helped in the second and third phase of the reintegration, providing with the necessary information for existing services offered in the community.

Community service map was distributed to beneficiaries, but also they are accompanied by their case managers to recognize places and addresses of these services.

- The beneficiaries are infromed about the right of getting their economic assistance as VoT and are supported to complete the necessary documents.
- The beneficiaries, single mothers with children are informed and supported for obtainig orphan status for their children in cooperation with DRSHSSH.
- The beneficiaries that are in the second and third phase of the program are informed by the doctor of D&E about the procedures how to obtain free medical services in state health institutions. They are also helped to prepare the relevant health documentations in their cities of origin and how to transfer these documents to the family doctor in Tirana.
- The families of the victims / potential victims of trafficking are informed and supported about the possibility of getting the economic assistance in cooperation with DRSHSSH.
- The beneficiaries are informed and supported for performing of the procedures and completing of the documents related to the enrollment of children in nurseries, kindergartens and schools as well as preparation of documents for free nursery and kindergarten for the children of single mothers.

Monitoring and follow up of the cases

The beneficiaries of the second and the third phase of D&E program are supported with all community services mention above based on their needs.

The monitoring continues to be done through direct meetings as well as through regular telephone calls.

Regular counseling sessions are offered by psychologist of D&E for the beneficiaries in the program, who are currently in the second phase of reintegration. Beneficiaries of the second phase of reintegration program have regular contacts also with the case managers. During this period, staff has monitored and has done direct meetings with beneficiaries who live in their cities of origin, Dures, Berat and Kucova, Fier, Vlora, Elbasan, Korca, Pogradec, Lezha and Shkodra.

b. CONTRIBUTION TO THE ASSISTED RETURN OF VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING OR POTENTIAL VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING

D&E has assisted in the voluntary assisted return of two cases of potential victims of trafficking.

D&E has collaborated with "SOLWODI" organization in Germany to return, support and assist in the country of origin two cases that according to the information sent by the organization have resulted to be victims of exploitation. One of the cases has been assisted in the family with her child and the other case has been assisted in a rented apartment with her baby getting all the necessary help in collaboration with SOLWOLDI organization in Germany. Both cases continue to be assisted in the Reintegration Program of the organization. D&E has continued collaboration with an organization in Spain "SICAR cat Serveis" which continues to assist an Albanian girl, victim of trafficking exploited for sexual purposes who constantly wanted to connect with her children in Tirana, with the concern that they have been used for begging. D&E cooperated with ARSIS organization in order to give to her children the possibility to attend the day center, to be equipped with school textbooks and also to employ people who would take care for her children.

For the returned and assisted cases, organization has cooperated with the responsible authority. They have been informed for the mentioned cases.

c. *DIRECT ASISTANCE FOR MALES VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING*

Since 2012 D&E has assisted 24 men and boys victims/potential victims of trafficking. The last year 6 victims/potential victims of trafficking and one case victim of sexual abuse were identified. In collaboration with the case managers of D&E, each of the beneficiaries has built a plan for the reintegration and they have been supported to achieve the goals foreseen in the plan.

Boys and men VoT and PvoT have been supported with psycho-social counseling, legal assistance, medical assistance, assistance to find a job, financial support for paying the rent of the apartment; trainings for increasing life skills; mediation to other community services, monitoring and follow up etc. The psychologist of D&E has offered individual counselling for each beneficiary of the program.

During 2015, 6 men and boys victims of trafficking and 1 case victim of sexual abuse have been helped with the payment of the rented apartment. From all the beneficiaries entered in the program since 2012, in 17 cases the most urgent and basic need was sheltering. This is an indicator that sheltering is one of the most important needs to be fulfilled by the assistance program. Being in a street situation and the lack of a stable shelter has been one of the most important factors for young boys of ages 15-21 to fall into situations of exploitation.

During 2015 many of the boys and men have been assisted with job mediation or economic empowerment. The project "Counselling towards employment", which offers training over the important components of the employment process has been of a great help. One of the beneficiaries has successfully completed the course "Counselling towards Employment". Another beneficiary has been helped to buy some materials for commerce. One of the boys has started an internship in one of the restaurants of Tirana. Another beneficiary has been

assisted by the organization buying him a motorcycle in 2014 or he still uses it for work. Now he is self employed with stable incomes. Two of the beneficiaries work as waiters.

From all of the cases assisted during this year (that still are in the help programe or in monitoration phase), six of them are working in stable jobs are self-employed, one of them has been helped with a small grant for economic empowerment, four of them continue the school, on of the benefeciciaries recieve the disability payment because he is not able to work due to some physical problems, while the others work in unstable jobs or are in the process of proffessional formation.

One of the main challenges that are related to the employment of males, victims/potential victims of trafficking is that most of them have low levels of education and not sufficcient job experience. These factors make their employment sustainability very difficult. Some of them should try two or three jobs before they find themselves suitable for a certain job. Furthermore the actual job market in Albania is relatively poor in offering suitable job possibilities for this target age. Usually the only job profiles available in the market are as waiters or as bartenders.

Having in mind the experience of the previous years, one of the main needs showed for the young boys of the category from 16-18 years old is the fulfillment of their social needs. These activities can increase their self-esteem, increase their social skills and their leissure time can be used in a healthier way compared to the activities that they have learned when they were in a street situation such as gambling, tobacco or other drugs consuming etc. As a result of this, the boys of these ages have been helped to take part in different activities related to their field or their social enviroment.

One of the most challenging parts of the work and at the same time one of the most important part in bringing a change in the situation of the beneficiary is the work with their families. Although the main focus of our work are the benefeciciaries of the program, still the work with their families is crucial to their success especially for minors, as a result of the work done with the family the situation of the case can change. In this context, 9 of the families of males, victims of trafficking have been mediated for jobs and have been helped to be registered at the employment officces as unemployed, job seekers. Three of them have been helped with basic needs (clothing and food) because of the extreme poverty of the family. One of them was helped and informed to apply for the economic aid.

d. INCREASING THE EFFORTS FOR IDENTIFICATION OF VICTIMS / POTENTIAL VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING

During 2015, as part of the work for the identification of victims/potential victims of trafficking, D&E has been involved in the street work of the mobile teams that are implementing the initiative of the National Agency for the Protection of the Rights of Children and the Social Services. The aim of this initiative is to identify and include in the system of protection children involved in beging and working. As a result of this 11 street work teams have been based in each of the administrative regions of the city of T rana. These 11 street work teams were composed by the Child Protection Unit and a social worker from the organizations involved in the protection of children. During January, D&E was involved in

periodic work in helping the mobile street teams with ongoing support three times per week and during the weekend. Starting in March, D&E has assisted the Child Protection Unit nr.3, in the street work, once to twice per week. During this work 14 children in street work situation have been identified, they were begging, selling things or dealing with recycling materials. These children have been referred in the Child Protection Units with the aim of receiving the services needed. Four of these cases have been managed by the Child Protection Unit nr.3, while the other cases have been referred to the other Child Protection Units.

The main challenge of the work with the children in a street situation is the lack of a referral system that can change substantially the situation of the children and families involved in begging or other street activities. The needs of this group are much bigger than the resources. Usually they belong to families that have been into this cycle of poverty for many generations. The parents of these children are themselves involved in begging. Meanwhile the services offered are not enough to ensure the empowerment of the family. Also, the Child Protection Units do not have any budget to efficiently manage the cases and all their case managing work is based on the collaboration with other stakeholders (mostly organizations of civil society). In many cases the children has been returned in a street situation even after identifying and assisting them, especially when they live in very poor families such as the families of Bregu i Lumit and Shkoze communities.

“Different & Equal” has also participated in many multidisciplinary meetings organized by the Child Protection Units of Tirana. During this time the staff of D&E has participated in 5 multidisciplinary technical roundtables organized by the Administrative Units Nr. 3, 5, 8, 9, 11.

- D&E has realized 2 informing sessions on trafficking and exploitation issues with the young people with the youth group of SHKEJ organization. The youngsters were from poor families of “Jordan Misja” Street and Laprake.

e. INCREASING THE EFFORTS FOR ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING

Counseling and support for beneficiaries' employment

During this year, 42 beneficiaries were employed as tailor, cooker, cooking assistants, dishwasher in restaurants, cleaner, hairdresser assistant, call centre operators, bartenders, food deliveries, waiters, furniture employees, fish seller etc.

D&E staff continues to orient beneficiaries in choosing professions required in the labour market, adapting naturally in any case with their personal skills.

10 beneficiaries of D&E have participated in the training program “Coach for Employment”. The purpose of this training is to help the beneficiaries in increasing their skills in finding and keeping the job. Through this program, the beneficiaries are supported to attend vocational courses, job trainings, to be part of internship programs in private companies and also opening micro businesses opportunities is given.

The trainer of “Coach for employment” has worked with the relevant group to create a consolidated team, to identify the personal strengths of each beneficiary, aiming at long terms assistance, to enhance their skills and abilities in finding and keeping jobs; encouraging initiatives and research skills of the participants; developing of social competence of the group; knowledge acquisition and preparation for short-term internships. The participants in the training program are familiar with professions and new businesses, being prepared for possible inclusion in long-term internships in these businesses. In group meetings, participants had the opportunity to exchange experiences with each other; meanwhile Individual Development Plans are developed.

D&E continues to have regular contacts with the Regional Employment Office and all the beneficiaries who are ready to start working are registered in this institution as jobseekers.

Supporting the beneficiaries to open small businesses

During this period, 5 beneficiaries of D&E have managed their own businesses.

Beneficiaries are monitored regularly and are provided with technical support based on their needs.

Piloting internship programs with private companies

During this year 10 beneficiaries are involved in internship program. Three beneficiaries were involved in social business, two of them as cook assistants and the other one as grocery delivery.

Except this, three beneficiaries are involved as cook assistant at three different restaurants; one beneficiary as an office assistant at a Christian Association; one case involved in a plaster work company, another one involved as a hairdresser assistant and one case involved in agriculture work.

Internship	Business	No. of cases
Cook Assistant	New York Tirana Bagels (social business)	2
Grocery distributor	New York Tirana Bagels (social business)	1
Cook Assistant	Restaurant	1
Cook Assistant	Restaurant	1
Cook Assistant	Restaurant	1
Office Assistant	Christian Association	1
Assistant for gypsum works	Plasterboard takeovers	1
Hairdresser Assistant	Beauty salon	1
Work in agriculture		1

f ENHANCING COOPERATION WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS AND STATE INSTITUTIONS

In order to offer a full package of reintegration services, D&E continues the collaboration with different state and non state actors and other services providers in the community.

- *Collaboration with state institution (central and local)*

- ✓ In collaboration with the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Health and **ISKSH**, the beneficiaries assisted in the D&E are provided with the health cards. These beneficiaries will have the possibilities to receive free health care at their family doctor in HC No 9, in Tirana. This service will be offered for a period of 1 year, to be renewed. Currently 16 beneficiaries were provided with health card and 69 other beneficiaries are in the process;
- ✓ Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth through the Municipal Unit No. 7 and the Central Municipality provided financial support covering food expenses for VT, VMT that are accommodated with their children in Reintegration Center of D&E.
- ✓ **Ministry of Education and the Regional Education Directorate in Tirana** facilitated the registration of beneficiaries of D & E in the school system, part time, taking into account their security issues;
- ✓ **Vocational Training Center** provided trainings and various professional courses for the VMT VT;
- ✓ **Regional Employment Offices**;
- ✓ **Regional offices of the State Social Service** in Tirana, Durrës, Lezha, Berat except of being as a source of reference and monitoring of VMT and VT cases, they also facilitated the process.

- *Partnerships with non-state institutions, NGOs, religious institutions*

D&E has collaborated with **SHKBSH** and **Eagle Wings** for the identification of suitable alternative placements for minors, victims of trafficking who have lost parental care; **ARSIS**; **CARITAS Albania**; legal center **TLAS** and **QNLQ** for providing free legal services to victims of trafficking or other persons in need; **"Human Rights Democracy" centre** , **"Centre for Population and Development"**, which have provided health services for victims of trafficking group.

As part of the identification and management of cases a very important process is the consolidation and expansion of different collaborators. Besides consolidated collaborator such as ARSISS organization, this year "Different & Equal" has also cooperated with other stakeholders focusing on identifying and managing the cases. During this period, other actors are involved in identification, such as **Child Protection Units** (Unit 11 Child Protection), or residential institutions for children (Orphan's Home Preschool and School, Saranda).

Also Unit 11 Child Protection and Unit 1 Child Protection are also involved in co-managing and monitoring of cases.

During the year 2015 we have collaborated with the organization **"Meridia"**, which has in its focus the minors that have legal problems, for offering a certain job training period for one of our beneficiary.

We are also collaborating with the organization **"Terre des Hommes"** for supporting of economical empowerment for 2 of the beneficiaries of our program.

D&E and KKSAT organized on the 9th of June 2015 the Conference **"Reintegration of trafficked persons in Albania"**, after completion of the project financed by KBF. The main goal of this conference was the discussion on longterm social-economic inclusion of victims of human trafficking through the presentation of main achievements of "The programme of the reintegration of victims of trafficking in Albania".

g. AWARENESS RAISING ACTIVITIES ON TRAFFICKING ISSUES

During this period D&E has organised a number of activities in raising public awareness to prevent trafficking in persons. A considerable number of activities have been conducted in the framework of the project:

Community education on issues of trafficking in persons funded by “Grants Program, Democracy Commission of the US Embassy in Tirana.

In the framework of this project, D&E in collaboration with National Coordinator Office, Combating Trafficking in Persons and the Peace Corps Albania, on 11 and 12 of February, 2015, organised Training of Trainers (ToT) with the participation of 48 local professionals from different areas of Albania. The goal of these two days Training of Trainers (TOT) was training of professionals to raise community awareness about the phenomenon of human trafficking, forms of trafficking, causes and consequences of trafficking, risks factors and systems built in order to offer protection as well as services for the victims of trafficking, presentation of the Strategy for Fight against trafficking in persons and Action Plan where special room was dedicated to the field of prevention as a guide for identification and referral of victims and potential victims of trafficking.

After ToT each participant drafted a plan for conducting at least one educational activity/training in the community where they live and work, aiming at raising awareness of the public opinion on Trafficking in Persons phenomenon.



In the frame work of this project “The Manual/Guide- Keeping children safe from trafficking”, was prepared and published. It is a guide for professionals that work with youth and advisory people in Albania.

This Guide was developed with the aim of equipping the young people with the necessary information and skills that they need to be safe and active members of their communities. Among the main activities within the group organized educational trainers are as follows:

No.	Date of the awareness raising activity	City/ Distrit	Number of participants
1.	18. 03. 2015	Lezhë	27 social stakeholders of the Municipality of Lezha
2.	10. 04.2015	Durrës	43 students of the High School “Frrok Nikoll Kacorri”
3.	27. 04.2015	Delvine	34 students of the High School “Sulejman Delvina”
4.	28. 04.2015	Fushë – Krujë	20 students of the High School “Shote Galica”
5.	11.05.2015	Elbasan	25 students of the High School “Arianiti”
6.	13.05.2015	Peshkopi	16 representatives of the offices of the local government, NGO representatives, participants of the Evangelic Church in Peshkopi etc.
7.	14.05.2015	Elbasan	46 students of the High School “Dhaskal Todri”
8.	20.05.2015	Fushe -Kruje	20 students of the High School “Adem Gjeli”
9.	22.05.2015	Fier	21 young people of the Youth Centre Epoka
10.	23.05.2015	Durres	13 students of the High Schools
11.	25.05.2015	Kavajë	24 teachers of the secondary school “Rilindja”
12.	11.06.2015	Përmet	16 students of the Multifunctional Center of Culture in Permet
13.	06.09.2015	Balldre/ Lezhë	13 students of the secondary school and high school
14.	25.09. 2015	Përmet	15 persons from the Adiminstrative Unit of Piskova
15.	25.09. 2015	Tiranë	50 students of the High School “Myslym Keta”
16.	28.09. 2015	Përmet	25 students of the High Schools
17.	29.09. 2015	Përmet	23 students of the High Schools
18.	29.09. 2015	Kucovë	23 proffessionists of the mainly local institutions
19.	30.09. 2015	Nikël/ Tiranë	27 students of the High School “Ramazan Kara” Nikel
20.	30.09. 2015	Përmet	23 students of the High School
21.	02.10. 2015	Kukës	18 specialists of the Administrative Units of the District of Kukes

22.	6.10. 2015	Berat	22 representants of the local institutions, activists of the civil society and students of High Schools
25.	9.10. 2015	Kucovë	24 students of the High Schools
26.	13.10. 2015	Sukth/ Durrës	32 students of the High Schools
29.	15.10. 2015	Lezhë	30 students of the High School “Karl Gega”/ Balldre
30.	18.10. 2015	Kukës	100 persons were part of the sensibilizing marching
35.	25.10. 2015	Tropojë	18 students of the secondary school “Ali Podrimja”
36.	27. 10. 2015	Shkodër	25 students of the High School “28 Nentori”
37.	28. 10. 2015	Gjirokastrë	18 students and 3 teachers of the secondary school ‘Cajupi’
38.	28.10. 2015	Pogradec	52 students and teachers participated in the theatretical act on trafficking at the theatre “Pirro Xeci”
39.	28.10. 2015	Lezhë	50 students of the non public High School “Ragacionistet”
40.	29.10. 2015	Vlorë	22 students of the industrial High School “Pavaresia”
41.	29.10. 2015	Kavajë	Unitd School of Gose
44.	29.10. 2015	Peshkopi	40 students of the High Schools
45.	30.10. 2015	Bulqizë	27 students of the High Schools
46.	30.10. 2015	Gjirokastrë	15 students of the High School “Fermi Ibrahim”
47.	30.10. 2015	Ura Vajgurore/ Administrative Unit of Kutalli	55 students and teachers of the High Schools

D&E is actively involved in all of the campaigns initiated by the National Coordinator Office for Combating Trafficking in Persons.

On July 30, International Day against Human Trafficking, D&E joined the activity “*Speak for those who cannot! Report Human Trafficking! Call for free on 116 006!*” Other following activities that D&E has been engaged with are:

➤ **Painting Exposition during the Month Against Trafficking in Persons**

In the frame work of the activities organized during the month Against Human Trafficking, the Office of National Anti-trafficking Coordinator organized the Painting Exposition called “Trafficking through the eyes of children” realized by the 9- Year Schools and the High Schools in the country, as well as by the beneficiaries who are assisted in the centres of KKSAT.

“Different & Equal” took part in this activity with about 10 works with paintings, made by the beneficiaries who were honored with 3 awards by the Anti-Trafficking National Coordinator Office.



➤ **Awareness March on the European Day Against Human Trafficking**

On October 18th, the European Day against Human Trafficking, “Different & Equal” staff and beneficiaries joined awareness march organized by Anti-Trafficking National Coordinator Office.





➤ *Awareness Campaign through FaceBook*

“Different & Equal” is active in its official facebook website, continuously sharing useful awareness information on human rights, trafficking, slavery and violence.

The Organisation becomes part through joining in awareness campaigns on social networks, on the international and european remembrance days related to human rights and raising awareness on the matter, including beneficiaries indirectly in the campaigns, sharing assistance activities that the organisation provides, reflecting its activity and community organised activities.

➤ *The involvement of beneficiaries in sensitization and awareness for the fight against trafficking in persons*

On July 30th, the World Day Against Trafficking, the beneficiaries became part of the #igivehope campaign in social networks. This poster is made by the victims of trafficking all over the world. “HOPE, for all of those like us whose freedom has been stolen...”



- In the framework of the project “**Informing the community on trafficking of women and girls and the alternative solutions**” implemented by D&E and the other members of NCCSAT, with the financial support of UN Women, organized raising awareness activities focused on three main target groups:

1. *Forums with the high school students in 12 districts of Albania*

No.	Date of the forum	City/ District	Number of participants
1.	6.10.2015	Tiranë	20 students of Shkolla e Baletit
2.	8.10.2015	Tiranë	28 students of the high school “Abdulla Keta”
3.	13.10.2015	Elbasan	30 students (representatives of the students government) of the high school “Dhaskal Todri”
4.	14.10.2015	Elbasan	27 students (representatives of the students government) of the high school “Mahir Domi”
5.	14.10.2015	Fier	27 students of the high school “Janaq Kilica”
6.	14.10.2015	Shkodër	28 students of the high school “28 Nëntori”
7.	15.10.2015	Gjirokastër	17 students of the high school “Siri Shatlo”
8.	16.10.2015	Gjirokastër	19 students of the high school “Hasim Zeneli”
9.	16.10.2015	Durrës	51 students (representatives of the students government) of the high school “Gjergj Kastrioti”
10.	16.10.2015	Berat	31 students of the high school “Bab Dud Karbunara”
11.	20.10.2015	Vlorë	30 students of the high school “Halim Xhelo”
12.	20.10.2015	Shkodër	26 students of the high school ‘Jordan Misja’
13.	20.10.2015	Lezhë	45 students of the school “Lezha Academic Center”
14.	21.10.2015	Korcë	54 students (representatives of the students government) of the high school “Themistokli Gërmenji”
15.	21.10.2015	Vlorë	31 students of the high school ‘Ali Demi”
16.	21.10.2015	Peshkopi	31 students of the high school “Maqellarë”
17.	22.10.2015	Peshkopi	27 students of the high school “Seit Najdeni”
18.	22.10.2015	Rrëshen	34 students of the high school “Shën Jozef Puntori”
19.	26.10.2015	Korcë	27 students (representatives of the students government) of the high school “Raqi Qirinxhi”
20.	26.10.2015	Korcë	26 students (representatives of the students government) of the non public high school “Malteze”
21.	27.10.2015	Durrës	35 students (representatives of the students government) of the high school “Naim Frashëri”
22.	27.10.2015	Fier	30 students of the high school ‘Perikli Konomi”
23.	29.10.2015	Berat	27 students of the high school “Kristaq Kapo”
24.	29.10.2015	Kukës 38	35 students of the high school “Havzi Nela”
25.	29.10.2015	Kukës	21 students of the high school “Ahmet Voka” Gostil

2. Focus groups with vulnerable women and girls in 12 districts of Albania

19 focus groups were organized with vulnerable women and girls in the districts of Tirana, Durres, Elbasan, Berat, Korce, Vlore, Fier, Shkoder, and Lezhe.

No.	Date of focus groups	City/ District	Number of participants
1.	23.11.2015	Elbasan	20 girls and women
2.	24.11.2015	Vlorë	20 girls and women
3.	25.11.2015	Tiranë	15 girls and women
4.	26.11.2015	Elbasan	31 girls and women
5.	26.11.2015	Lezhe	31 girls and women
6.	01.12.2015	Durrës	18 girls and women
7.	03.12.2015	Tirane	35 girls and women
8.	04.12.2015	Berat	23 girls and women
9.	04.12.2015	Shkodër	33 girls and women
10.	09.12.2015	Lezhë	21 girls and women
11.	10.12.2015	Korcë	18 girls and women
12.	10.12.2015	Fier	24 girls and women
13.	14.12.2015	Durrës	14 girls and women
14.	15.12.2015	Korcë	18 girls and women
15.	16.12.2015	Vlorë	24 girls and women
19.	26.12.2015	Berat	20 girls and women

3. Social dialogues with students and professors in the Universities of Albania

8 social dialogues were organized with students and professors in the University of Durres, Elbasan, Vlore, Shkoder, Korce, Gjirokaster and Tirana.

No.	Date of the social dialogue	City/ District	Number of participants
1.	22.10.2015	Durrës	76 students of psychology, law and nursing/ University "Aleksander Moisiu"
2.	30.11.2015	Elbasan	150 students of social work, psychology, nursing and pedagogy/ University "A. Xhuvani"
3.	8.12.2015	Gjrokastër	45 Students of the University "Eqerem Cabej"
4.	11.12.2015	Vlorë	69 students at the University "Ismaël Qemali"
5.	15.12.2015	Tiranë	61 students from the Faculty of Social Sciences/ University of Tirana
6.	15.12.2015	Korçë	85 students of "Fan Noli University"
7.	17.12.2015	Shkodër	51 Students of "Luigj Gurakuqi University"
8.	18.12.2015	Berat	38 Students of "Albanian University"

During these informative activities, anti-traffic experts used interactive methods such as: brainstorming, short lectures about the dangers and implications of the phenomenon of trafficking in persons, causes, dynamics, risks, as well as existing services for VoT / PVoT; electronic presentation of photonovela, questions and answers during sessions etc.

h. ACTIVITIES FOR PREVENTION OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND TRAFFICKING

University of Bedfordshire in the UK, supported by the Council of Europe and the OAK Foundation, is implementing "Our Voices" project (2013-2016). This European Project aims to promote youth involvement in efforts to prevent sexual violence in Europe, based on the ideas and experience of Youth Advisers who come from different backgrounds.

"Different & Equal" is one of the regional organizations, which was invited to become part of the project and in 2014 was involved in holding three consultations with Youth Advisers. The young people involved, beneficiaries of the organization, have been exposed to different forms of sexual violence. After the first phase of the Project, Youth Advisers were part of the project through their ideas of how they could be involved in the prevention of sexual violence. At the end of the first phase it was published the report which can be found in the link below:

<http://beds.staging.squizedge.net/research-ref/iasr/centres/ourvoices/neës/2015/they-dont-talk-about-it-enough-report-on-young-peoples-vieës-on-sexual-violence>

Currently the project is in the next stage, where Youth Advisers ideas on the prevention of sexual violence will be put into practice. Youth Advisers of "Different & Equal" have proposed several awareness activities in this regard. Youth Advisers, supported by the staff of

the organization, will conduct 15 meetings with young people in secondary schools, youth centers, and Universities, sessions in which will be shown a short film and information on sexual violence will be shared. Part of the project is also the distribution of posters designed by Youth Advisor in schools, youth centers and universities.

IV. PRESENTATION AND TRAININGS PROVIDED BY D&E.

D&E in collaboratin with KKSAT organized the conference “Reintegration of trafficked persons in Albania ”, after the implementation of the project financed by KBF. The aim of this conference was to discuss long- term socio-economic inclusion of victims of human trafficking through the presentation of the main achivements of the reintegration program for victims of trafficking in Albania.

Some of the presentations offered by D&E during this year in international activities are :

- The Third World Conference of Woman’s Shelters, organized in Hage, Netherland in 3-6 November: Presentetion entitled : ***“Reintegration of victims of frafficking: What we can do better?”***
- The conference organized in Bedfordshire University for inclusion of youth in sexual violence prevention, in London, England 29-30 September 2015; presentation entitled ***“Stigma and representation”*** in which were discussed ideas on how participatory project may increase stigma and what kind of strategies can be implemented to minimize the risk.
- EU Workshop for reintegration of victims of trafficking, Brussels/Belgium- in July 2015 was organized the last meeting of partners network of the program for reintergration of victims of trafficking established with the support of KBF. Presentetion entitled: ***“Reintegration assistance for victims who have suffered various types of exploitation”***.
- Conference against trafficking of human beings organized in Bled. Slovenia; Presentation entitled: ***“Situation of trafficking and reintegration of victims of trafficking in Albania”***.
- Regional conference ***“New generation of social enterprises”*** where was presented the social business “ New York Tirana Bagels”.
- Conference “ Improving social services , provided by Civil society organizations in Albania. Presentation entitled: ***“Service and assistance provided by Coalition of Anti-trafficking shelters”***.
- Conference ***“Addressing the long shadow, sexual violence against men and boys”***, South-South Institute, Cambodia; Presentation entitled ***“Sexual abuse of boys in Albania”***.
- ***“Conference on human trafficking”*** organizet by Renata network Spain. Presentation intitled: ***“Exploitation and trafficking of men in Albania”***.

V. PARTICIPATION OF D&E STAFF IN TRAININGS

- ***“First Aid”*** training, organized by D&E in collaboration with Red Cross Albania;
- ***“Empoving the skills for professional evaluation of the beneficiaries skills and interests, increasing knowledges of the beneficiaries on services related to existing economic empowerment scheme”*** organized by IOM Tirana and UN WOMEN;
- Training ***“Social Services in South-East Europe,”*** organized by IRIS ACAMEDY in Croatia;
- Training ***“The consultation process and the validation of the guideline package for Case managers”*** organized by IOM Tirana;
- Conference ***Addressing the long shadow, sexual violence against men and boys”, South-South Institute, Kamboxhia;***
- ***“Conference about human trafficking”*** organized by RENATE network, Spain;
- ***“ Conference about human trafficking in persons”*** organized by Medaille Trust, Slovenia;
- Seminar on ***“The prosecution of trafficking in persons, the exploration of new approaches”,*** organized by ICMPD in Vienna, Austria;
- Training ***“Helping the violence survivors and their children”***, organized by UNDP;
- Study tour of actors working against trafficking from Albania to Kiev, Ukraine organized by IOM, UN.WOMEN. The main objective of the study visit was ***“Increasing of knowledge about economic empowerment activities in support of the sustainable reintegration of victims of trafficking ”;***
- ***“Interviewing in the legal context of children, victims of sexual abuse”,*** organized by TdH, Albania.

VI. COORDINATION WITH OTHER ANTI-TRAFFICKING ACTORS

- D&E has actively participated in all the activities organized by the Office of the National Anti – trafficking Coordinator:

- NRM meetings, Task Force
- Responsible Authority meetings
- Coordination meetings for activities done in the frame work of Anti-Trafficking Month.

- D&E has actively participated in all the activities organized by the “Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth” and Child Rights’ Protection Agency.

- Consultative meetings on the Protection of Children, in street situations;

- D&E has participated in all meetings of the National Coalition of Anti –trafficking, that in this period it has had coalition presidency.

- D & E has participated in several activities organized by partner institutions and are prepared several materials with suggestions for improving the legal framework. More specifically comments and suggestions on the draft are provided as below:

- The draft for the National Council of Civil Society;
- The draft law on social services;
- The draft law on social enterprises;
- Consultation on women's rights under the Law Reform:

Additionally D & E has worked hard this year to increase the business and media relations.

Cooperation with business

D & E has increased cooperation with business companies in Albania in terms of support for the economic empowerment of cases supported in the program of reintegration, through programs of internships and the possibility of their employment in these companies as well.

D & E has also cooperated with the business for financial or in-kind support, especially for the charity concert which was organized in November 2015, where many businesses donated products from their companies that were sold during the silent auction.

Cooperation with media

D & E has collaborated with some of the print and electronic media this year in terms of public awareness about trafficking and information how to provide assistance. Also, through the co-operation with "UN Women " and " Ministry of Interior ", D & E together with members of KKSAT participated in the forum of media , the annual conference organized by " UN Women " and " Ministry of Interior " where the director of D & E was also the member of the jury in theselection of professional articles.

The event of the year for fundraising - Piano concert

D&E for the third consecutive year organized a fundraising activity. The event organized this year was a concert piano where Elham Payman, German composer, pianist has performed. The concert was held at the German Embassy which supported D&E for the second year in organizing such an event. In the framework of this activity D&E was also supported by several businesses offering different products to be sold during the silent auction.



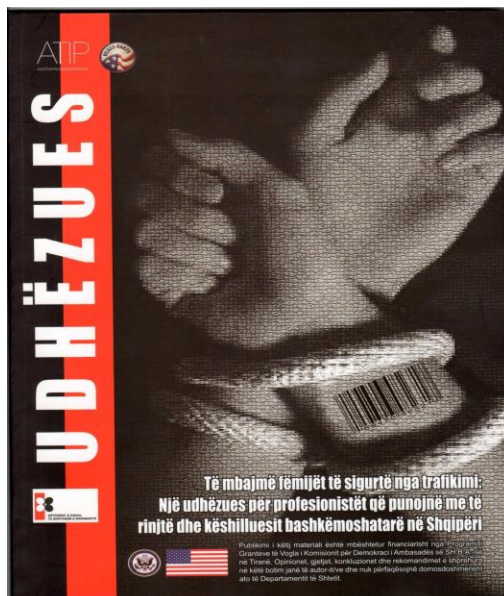
VII. PUBLICATIONS

- ❖ *“Keep children safe from trafficking: A guide for professionals working with young people and peer counselors in Albania”.*

This guide was published in the framework of the project "Education of the community to the issue of trafficking in persons " implemented by D & E and " Peace Corps " with the financial support of Program Grants Commission for Democracy of the USA Embassy, in Tirana.

This guide was developed to equip the youth with information and abilities for which they are in need to be safe and active members in their community. This Guide can be used by

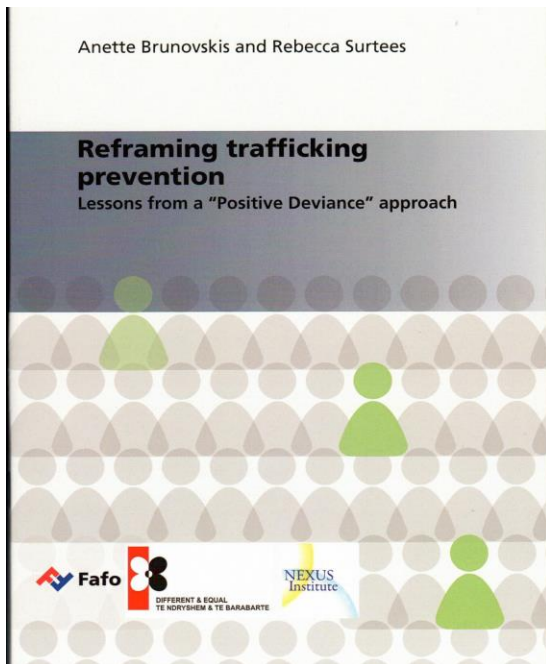
professionals working with youth, Peace Corps volunteers and mentors in Albania. The guide is an informative source that allows engaging and empowering the youth in entertainment and meaningful ways.



❖ *Reframing Trafficking prevention: Lessons from a Positive Deviance approach*

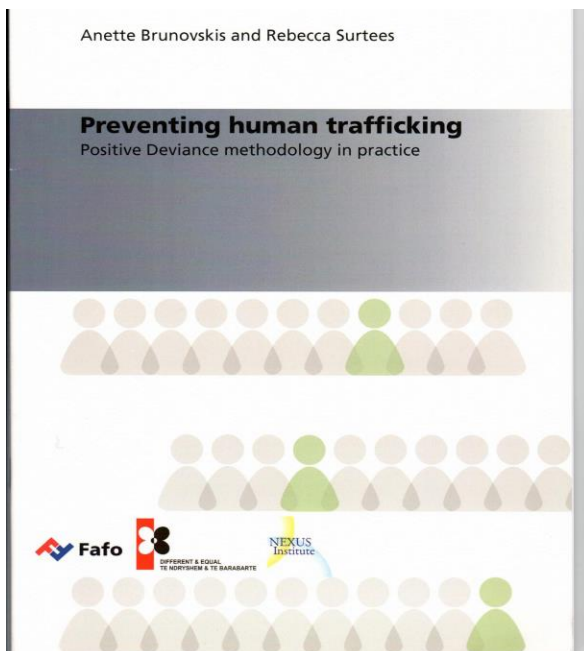
This publication was realized in the frame work of the project: "Vulnerability to trafficking and risk factors, prevention of trafficking and support safe migration in communities of Albania, Bosnia, Kosovo, Macedonia and Serbia " implemented by D & E in collaboration with Fafo Norway and NEXUS Washington Institute.

The main goal of the project was the adaptation and assessment methodology of Positive Deviance (PD) for the prevention of trafficking and promotes safe migration. Positive deviance methodology identifies and mobilizes the community aiming at achieving social change.



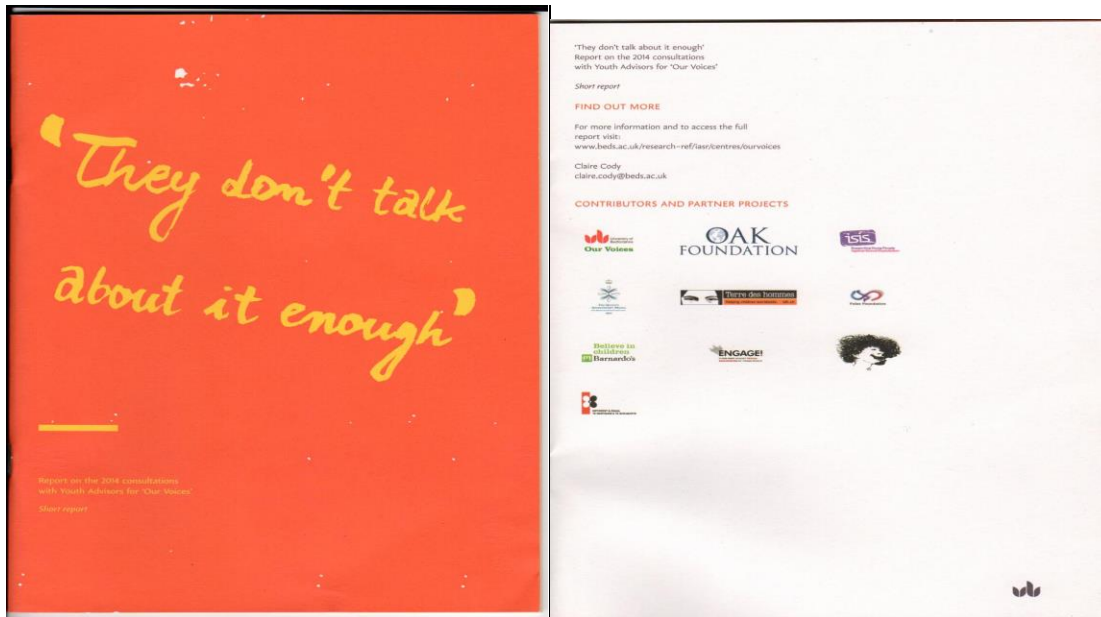
❖ *Preventing Human Trafficking: Positive Deviance methodology in practice*

The current edition was realized in the frame work of the project " Vulnerability to trafficking and risk factors: Prevention of trafficking and support safe migration in communities of Albania, Bosnia , Kosovo , Macedonia and Serbia " implemented by D&E in collaboration with Fafo Norway and NEXUS Institute Washington.



❖ *“They don't talk about it enough”*

This is a brief report of consultations done with youth counselors from all countries and partners of the project “Our Voices” where Bedfordshire University is the leader and D&E is one of the project partners.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

On **December 7th, 2015** OSCE Presence in Albania awarded the HUMAN RIGHT DEFENDER AWARD to the National Coalition of Anti-Trafficking Shelters (Different & Equal” is one of the forth members organizations of this coalition), for their outstanding contribution to fulfilling the broader humanitarian and for their heroic contribution to combatting human trafficking in Albania and in being on the front line defending the human rights of the victims of this heinous crime.

