

## Aim



To engage 20 young people in Tirana region, Albania, who were willing to learn about the European Values, active citizenship, youth democracy, and are willing to get active by designing and implementing small scale activities in the communities where they live.

## Profile of participants



 **15-25 years old**

coming from rural areas; passionate about youth activism and volunteerism and are motivated to continue the great work in the selected areas, as part of the YPN

## ACTIVITIES DEVELOP:

1

### CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM ABOUT:

- Active citizenship, concrete examples of action and crowdfunding platforms ;
- Local Democracy, legal instruments and local self-government:
- European values, Eu Integration and communication

2

### DESIGN THINKING WORKSHOP FOR LOCAL ACTIONS

- Forming the working groups and Team building
- Learning about financing projects and ideas to turn them to life
- Design of local small-scale activities & presentation with the YPN mentors

3

### “YOUTH FRIENDLY MUNICIPALITY”

Baseline active citizenship needs assessment through a questionnaire tailor made for these young people who live in these areas (the baseline will not be budgeted as it will be a contribution of YPN and will guide us to our future actions). 500 Young people were part of it.

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### WORKING GROUPS AND LOCAL INITIATIVE

During a 3-month period, the teams implemented the designed activities. YPN mentors assisted the team leaders throughout the whole process.

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## LOCAL CIVIC ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN



### LIGHT OUR VILLAGE!

**Location:** Muçaj, Vore

**Problem Description:** Lack of infrastructure in the village lights and road

**Actions undertaken:**

- Developing a petition and collecting villagers' signatures where they requested the municipality to - invest on village infrastructure;
- Meetings with businesses and residents of Muçaj village;
- Handing the documents of the petition in Vora Municipality;
- Social media campaign;
- Meeting with municipality representatives.

### FLOWER AND BUTTERFLY

**Location:** Kombinat, Tirana

**Problem Description:** For mental health, social services and youth

**Actions undertaken:**

- Questionnaire for youth of Tirana municipality, with it's focus of youngsters from Astir and Kombinat;
- Developing a factsheet with main findings from the questionnaire;
- Presenting the findings during an Open hour with stakeholders such as representative from the Ministry of Health, UNICEF, World Health Organization, youth and different entities for the importance of mental health of young people;
- Presenting the idea to The National Assembly of Solidarity Day and Social Activism in Albania 2021!



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# LOCAL CIVIC ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN

## DI-RA:TIRANA CLOSER TO THE CITIZENS

**Objectives:** To add more bicycle holders at least in one of the problematic areas in Tirana & Raising public attention tied to pollution and the need for recycle bins in problematic areas in Tirana

**Actions undertaken:**

Developing a monitoring assessment of the problems tied to bicycle holders and recycle bins by identifying the most problematic areas;

Sending request for information to Tirana Municipality;

Developing a short report with all the identify problems and information gathered;

Developing a round table discussion with representatives from Tirana Municipality, experts and city councils member where the group present the problems and requested solutions of them.



## 4 GOOD REASONS TO BE PART OF TRACTION HUB

1

Mentoring from YPN experts during project timeframe and beyond

2

Personal Growth and Professional Empowerment

3

New information about projects design and means to turn them to life

4

Being member of the Young Professionals Network

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