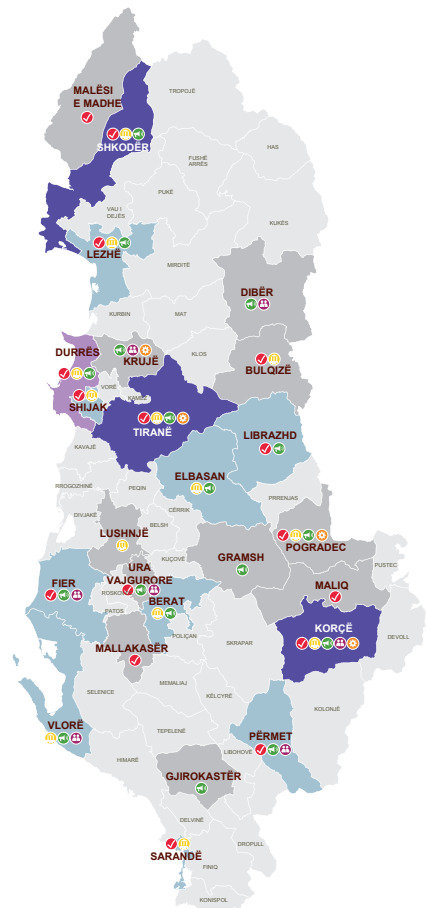


Leave No One Behind UN Joint Work Overview of LNB support

Our interventions contribute to advance social inclusion in Albania by providing better social services across the country. We have currently prioritized 24 municipalities across Albania: Berat, Bulqizë, Dibër, Durrës, Fier, Fushë-Krujë, Korçë, Lezhë, Lushnje, Përmet, Pogradec, Prrenjas, Sarandë, Shijak, Shkodër, Tiranë, Ura Vajgurore, Elbasan, Gramsh, Maliq, Mallakastër, Malësi e Madhe, Librazhd and Vlorë.



UN Joint presence in Albania



Interventions at Municipality Level

- Social Policy (design/planning/monitoring)
- Institutional Development
- Advocacy & Awareness
- Community Social Care Services
- Capacity Building Beneficiaries

2019-2020 in Focus

Provide **capacity building for vulnerable groups** and their representative organizations on rights and inclusion.

Support municipalities to **deliver community – based integrated social services**.

Support **development of local social care plans** and their implementation.

Build the capacities and skills of municipal social services units and service providers to **plan, budget, deliver and monitor social care services**.

Support **policy development and legislation** in the area of social inclusion.

Support **Social Impact Assessment at local level** to inform municipal investment and social service provision.

Support INSTAT in carrying out longitudinal **analysis of all SILC-compliant data**.

Establish the methodology for **assessing and mapping the social care services** in 61 municipalities

Support Ministry of Health and Social Protection in **establishing standards, protocols and monitoring methodology** of social care service provision.

PARTNERS



ALBANIAN LINE MINISTRIES AND GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS
CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING MEDIA AND ACADEMIA



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"LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND"

Programme to date



1 WORKING WITH DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

GET THE FACTS

At LNB, we work to empower all vulnerable communities with a focus on persons with disabilities, Roma and Egyptians, to request and access social services, as a human right and entitlement. We do this through organization of advocacy, public awareness and information sharing events.

230 INFORMATION AND AWARENESS RAISING WORKSHOPS AND FORUMS HAVE BEEN ORGANIZED

5668 vulnerable people are better informed about social services, inclusive education and inclusive budgeting.

BETTER SPECIALIZED SERVICES are provided to **166** CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH DISABILITIES in the community centers of five municipalities.

300 SCHOOL-AGED ROMA AND EGYPTIAN CHILDREN and 190 families in three municipalities benefitted from an inclusive package of integrated social services

THE INSTITUTE OF BLIND STUDENTS in Tirana is supported with assistive technology and capacity building to provide accessible school materials to **67** STUDENTS with visual impairments.



Programme Objective

'Leave No One Behind' (LNB) Programme aims to improve the social services system in Albania by increasing participation of vulnerable groups in public decision-making that affect their lives. Our support contributes to the holistic vision of an inclusive Albania working to meet Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and European Union integration.



The Ministry of Health and Social Protection was supported to **ENHANCE ITS WEBSITE** with a set of additional features to make it **MORE ACCESSIBLE** and user-friendly for people with disabilities (PWDs).

A **COMMUNITY-BASED MODEL** of integrated Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) services is established in **11** REGIONS and 68 health education teams have been set-up to increase demand for SRH services for young persons in need.

NETWORKS AND FORUMS OF ACTIVISTS IN 12 MUNICIPALITIES (Local Social Dialogue Groups, Forums of Persons with Disabilities, Youth Voice Network, and Young Reporters in the Field) are established to ensure dialogue between local stakeholders to address issues of vulnerable groups in local plans and budgets.



Progress

LNB completed its second year of support to Government of Albania, and concrete results are achieved at several levels:

- **at community level:** vulnerable groups are empowered on their rights and entitlements to social services, and are mobilized for a meaningful participation in advocacy forums and public consultation mechanisms;
- **at local government level:** municipalities (16) have developed and costed social care plans tailored to vulnerable persons' needs and have strengthened their capacities in service delivery;
- **at policy level:** Social Enterprises Fund and Social Care Fund are operational, and resourced from public funding. Ministry of Health and Social Protection and Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth are supported in reviewing their existing policy frameworks and action plans to better align them with the EU accession agenda.



At local level, we work to enable municipalities to effectively manage the provision of rights-based social services and promote social inclusion.

At central level, we work to strengthen capacities of national institutions to implement their policy framework and monitor the provision of inclusive social services.

11 MUNICIPALITIES have developed social care plans through participatory processes.

839 PROFESSIONAL STAFF from 16 municipalities have better knowledge and skills on planning and implementation of the new social care legislation and policy, and social services provision.

600 TEACHERS, SCHOOL HEAD MASTERS, AND PSYCHOLOGISTS from 30 schools in 7 municipalities are trained on inclusive education.

5 MUNICIPALITIES benefited from participatory and YOUTH-responsive budgeting practices.

1,483 WOMEN engaged in the participatory practices for gender responsive budgeting in 3 municipalities.

4 DECISIONS OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS for the implementation of the Law on Social Care Services are approved.

4 REGULATORY ACTS on the Law on Social Enterprises are approved.

20 DECISIONS OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS on the implementation of the Law on Social Housing are designed, and **3** CURRENTLY APPROVED.