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### **Needs Analysis**

of disabled youth in Pernik District and Nisava District. Screening in 5 schools in Pernik for spinal distortion and flat foot; Youth unemployment situation; Available social services

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#### 1.1. Pernik District

The Needs Analysis has a goal to explore the environment of youth with disabilities and unemployed in terms of legislation, state/municipal measures, services for social integration and access to labour market. Until end of 2018, in Bulgaria the Law on Integration of People with Disabilities was in force. It was repealed by § 2 of the Transitional and Final Provisions of the Law on People with Disabilities, which entered into force on 01.01.2019. In 2019, the Executive Director and the team of the Agency for People with Disabilities participated in the working groups

responsible for the preparation of basic regulations. As the most important was the following: Law on Social Services, Law on Personal Assistance, Law on Sign Language, Rules for implementation of the Law on People with Disabilities, Ordinance № RD-07-6 of 20.06.2019 on the procedure for control over the spending of the funds from reimbursed social security contributions of employers, respectively appointing authorities, specialized enterprises and cooperatives of people with disabilities and occupational health facilities, Ordinance № RD-07-8 of 24.07.2019 on the terms and conditions for implementation and control of the activities for provision and repair of equipment and medical devices for people with disabilities, National Program for Employment of People with Disabilities (NAPH), which is approved by order of the Minister of Labor and Social Policy and is implemented by the CAA and the Methodology for financing project proposals of employers/appointing authorities, an integral part of the NAPA. Agency for people with disabilities (APD) also took part in: the development of an Action Plan for the period 2019 - 2020 in implementation of the National Strategy for People with Disabilities and in the preparation of a new National Strategy for People with Disabilities 2021 - 2027; assessing the impact of existing policies and legal provisions and the monitoring carried out in terms of providing an accessible architectural environment in existing buildings and facilities; participation in the evaluation of the European Strategy for People with Disabilities 2010 - 2020, as well as the Draft Questionnaire for the Census of Population and Housing in the Republic of Bulgaria in 2021, in projects for amendment of the local municipal authorities.

Only three sports sites have access to people with disabilities: Triaditsa Hall – Sofia ( 23,8 kms from Pernik), Dobrotitsa Sports Complex, Dobrich and Osogovo Sports Complex in Kyustendil ( 56,5 kms from Pernik). No available free services for health and rehabilitation - mainly for finding a job and accessible environment. Projects have as a rule maximum 6 months duration and own participation in cash 5%, which makes it very difficult for applicants. Accessible environment measure - Order Nº 0023-2512 / 11.06.2019 of the Executive Director of the Agency for People with Disabilities – open Methodology for financing projects for construction of an accessible architectural environment for people with disabilities of cultural, historical, sports sites. Applying for funding from the Agency for People with Disabilities to build an accessible architectural environment for people with disabilities on cultural, historical, sports sites. Employers under Article 49 of the PIA Order Nº 0023 - 2511 / 11.06.2019 of the Executive Director of the Agency for People with Disabilities follow the Methodology for financing target projects of specialized

enterprises and cooperatives of people with disabilities under article 49 of the law on people with disabilities.

# **Rehabilitation and integration projects for people with disabilities** - Order $N_{0}$ 0023-2513 / 11.06.2019 of the Executive Director of the Agency for People with Disabilities follow:

Methodology for financing projects for rehabilitation and integration of people with disabilities for projects for rehabilitation and integration of people with disabilities;

Sheltered Employment Center - Order № 0023 - 3534 / 09.08.2019 of the Executive Director of the Agency for People with Disabilities. Methodology for financing projects for the establishment of sheltered employment centers activities for the provision of **medical devices and aids, devices and equipment for people with disabilities** - 336 SMEs are in the list providing those services. Contracts available with NGOs under PPZIHU under Art. 53a of PPZIHU with: the Association "Bulgarian Association of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities"; Association "Union of the Disabled in Bulgaria"; Association "Center for Psychological Research"; Association "Union of the Blind in Bulgaria"; Association "Union of the Deaf in Bulgaria".

#### Financing projects for rehabilitation and integration of people with disabilities

The methodology regulates the terms and conditions for preparation, structure and content of tenders proposed by non-profit non-governmental organizations to and for people with disabilities for the purpose of social inclusion and isolation of people with disabilities, as well as the manner of their evaluation and ranking in the competition for funding from the Agency for People with Disabilities (APD). The methodology is considered as a tool for realization of the priorities of the APD in the implementation of the state policy for rehabilitation and integration of people with disabilities through the active role and purposeful activity of the non-profit organizations from the non-governmental sector. Only legal entities registered under the Non-Profit Legal Entities Act (Non-Profit Legal Entities Act) for performing public benefit activities, as well as nationally represented organizations of people with disabilities registered under the Cooperatives Act. According to their founding act and according to the activity carried out, the organizations must be permanently committed to solving the problems of people with disabilities. Participation in the competition for funding is related to the preparation of a proposal consisting of a completed form and budget of the tender. Direct beneficiaries of the results expected from the implementation of the tender proposal can be only persons with more than 50% reduced working capacity/type and degree of disability and children with 50% and more than 50% certain type and degree of disability,

incl. and foreigners with permanent residence in the Republic of Bulgaria (foreigners with granted humanitarian status) and foreigners with granted refugee status, as "persons/people with permanent disabilities. For evaluation in the competition are submitted proposals aimed at increasing the social capital of society through integration and reintegration of people with permanent disabilities, to overcoming their social isolation and achieving their lasting social inclusion, leading to increasing their social significance and personal self-esteem, to their inclusion in contemporary cultural values, as well as and to the achievements of science, culture and sports. The subject of the proposal is expressed in: raising the educational, professional, qualification and cultural level of the people with permanent disabilities; inclusion of the people with permanent disabilities in the process of creation of cultural values through development of their gifts and artistic and creative talents with a view to overcoming the existing restrictions for them in this field; creation of a favorable environment in the community and development of opportunities for full life of people with permanent disabilities through their active involvement in public events, forums, celebrations, cultural events, sports competitions, tourist trips; development and implementation of specialized aids for overcoming the isolation and difficulties experienced by people with permanent disabilities in finding a job, in making social contacts, in interacting with and adapting to their environment, in stimulating their active participation in various public events; direct participation of people with permanent disabilities in the holding of regional, national and international public events such as: fairs, exhibitions and bazaars of their products, festivals of amateur ensembles and individual performers, plein airs and art exhibitions, car rallies with adapted cars, marathons with wheelchairs, competitions in other sports, as well as other similar events; change of the public perceptions for the people with permanent disabilities as full-fledged citizens through their placing in the center of the public attention, through their direct participation in socially significant events, in which they can personally declare and defend their rights and their due place in the modern community.

#### **Eligible framework:**

1. Activities aimed at individual and group work with the target group - training, acquisition of skills for independent living, rehabilitation, art therapy, acquaintance with the cultural heritage and achievements of the homeland, visits to cultural events and others. Tender proposals, the realization of which the benefits for the direct beneficiaries would have a random, probabilistic character and would require additional implementation of a special advertising campaign shall be evaluated with zero points;

2. Events with public cultural and/or sporting events: festivals, concerts, performances, plein airs, art exhibitions, sports competitions and car rallies and the like, in which the direct beneficiaries are active participants in the respective event. The financing of the tender proposal allows covering the costs for preparation of the public event.

3. Development of various materials, aids, manuals and others, supporting the work of and with people with permanent disabilities, their adaptation, labor and social integration and reintegration. When developing such a proposal, the applicant must justify its innovative endeavor, indicating the new moments in its development, differing from or supplementing what has already been done in the given area within the financial resources of the APD and other sources;

4. Activities aimed at changing public perceptions of people with permanent disabilities as full citizens, who give publicity and demonstrate their active public position, achievements in their employment, incl. and through their organized participation in fairs, trade fairs, charity and trade bazaars, specialized labor fairs and other social and economic forums and events. Competitive proposals, in which it is planned to carry out a PR-campaign, which aims to influence public opinion, but without direct, active and decisive participation of people with disabilities in it, are evaluated with zero points.

Training (Component 1) may only be provided by applicant organizations that have an appropriate license issued by the National Agency for Vocational Training and Education. The appropriate license may also be held by/or by a partner who may carry out training. Each candidate may participate in the announced competition with only one proposal. The duration of the tender may not exceed 6 months.

#### Purpose and structure of the funds allocated for financing

In order to achieve the results envisaged in the tender proposal, the candidate also provides his own participation, which is an integral part of the proposal and is subject to control and verification during its implementation. The candidate's own participation may not be less than 5% of the total value of the tender. Own participation is provided only in cash and is used to cover only direct costs; for persons entitled to foreign assistance, it is allowed to bear the costs of the escort of any such person; in the cases of persons with visual impairments, injuries of the musculoskeletal system or intellectual disabilities, who have more than 90 percent reduced ability to work / type and degree of disability without the right to assistance, it is allowed to bear the costs of use of one companion

for two people with disabilities; the costs related to the use of the escorts (for business trips, tickets for visits to organized events) are defined and reported as direct costs.

#### **1.2. Nisava District**

Professional rehabilitation measures and activities aimed at raising levels of competitiveness of persons with disabilities in the market, acquisition, development and improvement of personal and work and social skills, increasing the number of employees with disabilities in the open market are: training for active job search, training for a well-known employer, search club job, job fair, labor market training and internships. Employment programs for the employment of persons with disabilities aimed at Encouraging and increasing the number of employed persons with disabilities are as follows: subsidy of earnings of persons with disabilities without work experience; subsidy of self-employment; subsidy for job creation; public works.

Support measures aimed at increasing the number of employed persons with disabilities under special conditions, namely: Refund of appropriate costs of adjusting the workplace of persons with disabilities who are employed under special conditions; Refund of the costs of providing professional support to persons with disabilities who employ under special conditions-work assistance. NES-Branch Nis performs the procedure of assessing the remaining working capacity of persons with disabilities ("Official Gazette of RS", No. 36/09) and the Rulebook on the detailed manner, costs and criteria for assessing working capacity and employment of RS", No. 36/10).

#### Activity of city municipalities on improving the position of person with a disability

Pantelej city municipality - President, Bratimir Vasiljevic. Municipality with established forms of support to associations of persons with disabilities and their members living in the municipality.

As a socially responsible local government, the City Municipality of Pantelej is practically on its own established, committed to systematic, efficient and effective care for this vulnerable social

group, within the real needs of persons with disabilities and their budgetary and structural possibilities. Such a policy of the municipality first received the support of EXCHANGE program, and thanks to European funds, the basic preconditions for systematically addressing the problems of persons with disabilities and improving their status in this local community. Initially, a database

of all disability associations was created of their members and that base enabled regular communication and two-way exchange information on all major issues and activities that are important to this civic population. The municipality of Pantelej is one of the first institutions to build a ramp provided unhindered access to municipal services and their services, and subsequent interventions also ensured the use of elevators for these purposes.

By opening the Handicap Center within the municipal building, as a gathering place for people with disability and their Associations, the municipality of Pantelej has practically opened much wider space for strengthening reciprocity and solidarity, as the best achievements of civil society and a way of directly building partnerships/instead of mostly paternalistic ones /with Associations of persons with disabilities. These new relations were recorded by agreements on cooperation with the most agile associations, such as the example of the District Association suffering from multiple sclerosis, which is provided with a permanent exhibition and sales space under under the auspices of the House of Old Crafts, for handicrafts that they persistently make and thus earn for the spa treatment of its members. Using the capacities of the House of Old Crafts, the municipality has established cooperation with the School for primary and secondary education "Carica Jelena" Nis and enabled children, to the students of this school, to demonstrate their skills through public educational workshops weaving and related trades for which they are educated through teaching. Cooperation with the Primary School and secondary education "Empress Jelena" Nis, continued with the inclusion of Women's Activities, which brings together women who lost their jobs in the transition process, using the capacity of the school. The cooperation between the Municipality of Pantelej and the CDP association resulted in the provision of a van vehicles donated by PHILIP MORIS, which are available to all associations, according to the expressed needs in the daily mode of transport or for organized intercity travel, with the obligation of the municipality to service this vehicle and provide transportation services. Adaptive swimming project intended for children with disabilities and strengthening their motor skills function, which was initiated by the municipality in cooperation with the club for adaptive swimming "Dolphin", from initial pilot variants has grown into a long-term activity which, as an example of good practice, expanded to other city municipalities in Nis, to be later accepted in more cities throughout Serbia, which led to the establishment of the Association of Adaptive Swimming Clubs on republic level in Nis. Among the numerous individual examples of direct support, the municipality of Pantelej stands out.

#### 2. Screening in 5 schools in Pernik for spinal distortion and flat foot

#### 2.1. Spinal distortion.

Screening in 5 schools in Pernik showed that many (~70%) of today's children have problems with the spine, which hinders the proper development of organs - mainly the heart and lungs. These problems are treatable, but the sooner the better. Immobility and underdeveloped muscles are thought to be the main causes of the situation - children do not play sports, spend hours in front of the TV or telephone, get to school, drive cars, physical education classes are often used to catch up on other subjects, do not have time and they are not stimulated to play outside and train. The study covers 25 indicators, the results of some of which are: 11.29% of children have scoliosis (curvature of the spine to the side); 29.03% have kyphosis (distortion that causes bending of the back); 54.84% have L-lordosis (excessive forward bending); 47.58% of children have an inclined pelvis; shortening of the sciatic-crural (affecting the lower limbs) muscles was observed in 29.03% of the subjects; 72.58% of those examined suffer from some form of flat feet.

**Spinal distortion.** Significance of the problem: 15-25% of children aged 7-14 years have an incorrect physique, vicious posture, scoliosis, kyphosis, chest deformities. Spinal deformities are of 2 types: Functional - without changes in the structure of the spine. Causes: rickets, acceleration, immobility, leading to hypotension, "overloaded" bags of students from 1st to 4th grade, improper seating at school desks and the workplace at home, irrational eating. They are corrected after eliminating the cause that led to this condition. Structural - they are subject to treatment by orthopedists. Treatment: vicious posture and first degree spinal curvature - conduct treatment by organizing groups for exercise therapy and corrective gymnastics; II to IV degree are consulted and classes are held in the kinesitherapy salon by preparing an individual program for appropriate motor and hygienic-dietary regime.

**Degrees of obesity** (more than 35%). An increase of 10% to 15% of the ideal weight is considered overweight. from 15-30% - first degree from 31-50% - second degree from 51-100% - third degree over 101% - fourth degree. Consequences: Prerequisite for the development of: cardiovascular disease and high blood pressure; gastrointestinal disorders; biliary-liver diseases; endocrine diseases - primarily diabetes; flat feet; emotional and nervous disorders. Lack of health education of children and parents and therapeutic response, to reduce the degree of obesity and weight loss. Report is on the basis of 9 indicators: data on muscle mass, current weight, percentage of adipose

tissue, water and dry bone in the human body, daily calorie needs and the amount of work, after which prepares an individual motor and diet regime with the possibility for its practical implementation in the gym. All these services are absolutely free for children and students from the region of Municipality of Pernik.

#### 2.2. Flat foot

Flat feet and foot deformities in childhood lead to acquired flat feet in old age - according to Friedland Whitman 35-45% of the adult population. Free diagnostics of all deformities of the foot concerning the transverse and longitudinal arch and provides appropriate advice on proper walking, hygiene of the lower limbs, proper choice of shoes and if is necessary the use of orthopedic aids. 72.18% of those examined with spinal distortion suffer from some form of flat feet.

#### **3.**Youth unemployment situation

#### 3.1. Pernik District

Unemployed persons and unemployment rates of the population of 15 and over years during the second quarter of 2020 By gender Men 6.2 % Women 5.5%; By place of residence In cities 5.0 % In the villages 8.9%; By age 15-24 - 22.3 17.0 ;25-34 46.0 6.9. By level of education: higher 3.1%; secondary 5.9% including with acquired professional qualification 6.1%: primary school - 12.6 %.

Unemployed persons and unemployment rates of the population of 15 - 64 years of age in the second quarter of 2020 - 6.0%

By gender - Men 6.3%; Women 5.6%

By place of residence - In the cities 5.1%; In the villages 8.9%; By level of education: higher - 3.2%; secondary - 6.0%; Including with acquired professional qualification - 6.3 %; primary - 12.8%. Duration of unemployment - Total men and women - 84.1%; Up to 5 months - 46.3%; 6 - 11 months -11.9 %; 12 - 23 months - 11.5 %; 2 and more years -14.4%.

Long-term unemployment ratio by sex in the second quarter of 2020.

Gender Long-term unemployment rate - Men 2.6%; Women 1.7%

Unemployed persons and unemployment rates of the population of 15 years and over in the second quarter of 2020 in the Southwest region (including Pernik District) -3.9%.

#### 3.2. Nisava District

From result for second quartal of 2020, that rate of employment is 48.2%.

Rate of Unemployment of young people between 15 to 24 years old is 20.7%.

There is also category they are inactive population, they are 48%. There was a decrease in employment in the informal sector (-35,400). It's in the formal sector recorded a slight increase in employment (+2,200). The employment rate is lower by 0.5 percentage points (p. P.) And amounts to 48.2%, while the unemployment rate is reduced by 2.5 p. p. and amounts to 7.3%. The inactivity rate increased by 2 p. p. and reached a level of 48%. According to the definition of the International Labor Organization, Unemployed are persons who did not perform any paid work in the observed week, actively sought employment during the four weeks preceding the observed week and in the possibilities are to start working within two weeks after the end of the observed week. So, someone who did not actively look for a job is not considered unemployed but inactive. Inactivity increased the most among the population with secondary education (+147,300 people), as well and in the age group 25–34 years (+50,000 people).

The region of Southern and Eastern Serbia is the only region in the Republic of Serbia that records an increase in employment in the second quarter compared to the first quarter of 2020 (+22,500), which also led to it being the only region in which inactivity was slightly reduced

(-1.4%). While the decline in unemployment was evenly distributed among both sexes, there was a decline in employment exclusively in women (-34,700). Comparison with the same quarter of the previous year, basic indicators: According to the Labor Force Survey for the second quarter of 2020, the population aged 15 and over for several years there was a decrease in employment (-72,300) and unemployment (-111,100) at the expense of the increase inactivity (+153 800) compared to the second quarter of 2019. The largest decline in total employment was recorded in the sector of Agriculture, forestry and fisheries (-44,000), and observed according to the educational structure, in the category of persons with the most completed primary school (-33,100). The number of employees decreased the most in the Belgrade region (-31,500), and the least in Region of Southern and Eastern Serbia (-9,300). Within total employment (+60 100). The largest year

- on - year growth in formal employment was recorded in sector of construction (+16 600). The informal employment rate was 15.2%, which is 4.2 p. p. less than in the same period last year. The long-term unemployment rate was 4.1%, which is 2.0 percentage points. p. less than in the second quarter 2019. In the population of young people, 15–24 years of age, there was a year - on - year decrease in activity (-41,400 persons) and increase in inactivity (+30 600 persons). The number of employees aged 15 to 24 has been reduced by 25,200, while the number of unemployed at that age is lower by 16,200 compared to the same period last year.

NEET ("Not in Education, Employment, or Training") rate, which represents the share of young people aged 15 to 24 years who neither work nor are in the process of education in the total youth population, amounted to 15.9% and, in compared to the same period last year, it is higher by 1.8 points. p. In the population aged 15 to 29 years, NEET the rate was increased by 2.5 p. p. and in the second quarter of 2020 it was 20.1%.

#### COVID-19 and additional indicators on labor market developments

The Labor Force Survey is the most comprehensive and the only internationally comparable instrument for monitoring labor market trends, which register demographic and socio-economic characteristics population aged 15 and over. The main goal of the Survey is to assess the volume of the workforce, ie. employed and unemployed population, at which means employment in both the formal and informal sectors. In addition, this research deals with the characteristics of employment (professional status employed persons, their activities, occupations, rights they exercise at work) and unemployment (acquired education, length of job search, previous work experience), as well as characteristics inactive population - education, age, source of income and willingness to engage in job market. The Labor Force Survey conducted during the second quarter of 2020, due to a corona virus pandemic, has undergone some changes in the way data are collected. Namely, unlike the regular way of working, when the survey is conducted partially by telephone (for households that were previously surveyed) and partly in the field by visiting households (for those who are surveyed for the first time), for during the state of emergency. The active population (labor force) consists of all employed and unemployed persons aged 15 and over.

Potential labor force includes two groups of inactive population, namely 1) persons who can work but are not looking for a job and 2) people who are looking for a job but cannot start working immediately. Activity rate (labor force participation) represents the share of the active population in the total population aged 15 and over. Persons who performed a paid job for at least one hour in

the observed week (in cash or in kind), as well as persons who had a job, but who were absent from work that week (with a guarantee return), are considered employed persons.

The employment rate represents the share of employees in the total population aged 15 and over. Informal employment is considered to be work in unregistered companies, work in registered ones companies without employment contracts, as well as the work of assisting household members. The informal employment rate represents the share of informally employed in total employment. Unemployed persons are those persons who did not perform any paid work in the observed week, they have been actively looking for work during the four weeks preceding the observed week and are able to start working within two weeks after the end of the observed week. Unemployment rate represents the share of the unemployed in the labor force (employed and unemployed) ages 15 and up. The long-term unemployment rate represents the share of the unemployed for more than a year in employment in force (employed and unemployed) aged 15 and over. The NEET rate implies the participation of persons aged 15 to 24 who are not employed, not at education, nor are they in training in the total population of that age.

The inactive population consists of all persons aged 15 and over who are not classified as employed or unemployed population. Inactive people include students, pensioners, and homeworkers jobs, as well as other persons who did not perform any paid work in the observed week, are not active sought a job or were unable to start work within two weeks of the end of the observation weeks. The inactivity rate represents the share of the inactive population in the total population aged 15 and over several years. In the second quarter of 2020, changes in the labor market were more affected by the COVID19 pandemic and the Government measures introduced in the first quarter of 2020 to maintain economic stability. In such situation of the classical definition of employment and unemployment (according to the definition of the International

labor organizations - ILO) are not enough to describe all the changes that have taken place in the labor market. In the beginning, Government measures to mitigate the effects of the pandemic have prevented job losses. An increase the percentage of employees who were absent from work or worked from home. The emerging economic crisis has led is also to reduce unemployment because there are individuals who could not look for work or were not able to start working because of measures to prevent the spread of the virus are not considered unemployed (according to the concept of the ILO) but inactive. Labor market slack represents the participation of 1) the unemployed; 2) employees who they work shorter than full time and would like to work more; 3)

those who are looking for a job but cannot work and 4) those who can work but are not looking for work, in an expanded workforce, being under an extended one labor force means all employed, unemployed and potential labor force (those who can work but not looking for a job and those who are looking for a job but cannot start working immediately). The stagnation in the labor market in the second quarter of 2020 amounted to 19.9% and, compared to the same period last year, is higher by 0.4 p. p., which suggests that the labor market has grown so-called. unmet needs for employment, regardless of the fact that the unemployment rate was significantly reduced in the mentioned period. In these categories of the expanded workforce, the number of those who can start working has increased the most although they are not looking for a job, at the inter-annual level by 153,100 and at the inter-quarterly level by 84,500. Absence from work is measured by the share of employees who are absent from work in the total number of employees. In the second quarter of 2020, 11.4% of employees were absent from work, which is 2.4 pp. p. more in relation in the first quarter of 2020, and by 6.0 p. p. more compared to the same period last year.

#### 4. Available social services

#### 4.1. Pernik District

Social services are available temporarily under projects of the following organizations:

- 1. Association of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Faith, Hope, Love Pernik
- 2. Youth Association "Chance" Pernik
- 3. Union of Military Invalid Cooperatives in Bulgaria Pernik
- 4. Foundation Positive skills of the individual in society Pernik
- 5.We the European youth Pernik
- 6.Center for Social Initiatives "PROACTIVE" Pernik
- 7.EURO IMPULSE Pernik
- 8. Youth Association "Chance" Pernik
- 9. Union of Military Invalid Cooperatives in Bulgaria
- 10.Union of the Disabled in Bulgaria Pernik
- 11. Territorial organization of the National Association of the Blind and Deaf in Bulgaria Pernik
- 12. Center for Social Initiatives "PROACTIVE" Pernik
- 13.Health and Future Association Pernik
- 14.Bulgarian Red Cross Pernik
- 15.Municipal Youth Council Pernik

16.Regional association for democratic development alternatives / radar /Pernik

- 17. Association of medical paramedics bachelor of medicine in Bulgaria Pernik
- 18. Union for Pernik
- 19. Union of the Disabled in Bulgaria Pernik
- 20. Aleko Konstantinov school board of trustees Pernik

#### 4.2. Nisava District

List of organizations and associations of persons with disabilities whose program activities are financed from the budget of the city of Nis:

- 1. Inter-municipal organization of the Alliance of the Blind of Serbia, Svetozara Markovića 7
- 2. City organization of the deaf and deaf Nis, Barska 8 591-248
- 3. Association with the mental disability "MI" Nis, Jovana Ristića bb 4560-894
- 4. Association of Dystrophic Patients Nis, Bul.Nemanjića bb MK Filip Kljajić
- 5. Association of Paraplegics of Nisava district Nis Bulevar Nemanjića 26
- 6. City Civil Organization war invalids Nis, Obilicev Venac 10
- 7. Association of cancer patients and with stoma "NILKO Serbia" NisTPC Kalča sn. 64 Lam. B
- 8. Association of Multiple Patients sclerosis of Nis district Bulevar Nemanjića26
- 9. City Association of Cerebral and Children's paralysis Nis, Knjazevacka 2A
- 10. Nis Student Association with handicap, Šumatovačka, no. 252-010
- 11. Association of Disabled Workers of the City of Nis Hajduk Veljkova 40a
- 12. Association of Citizens " Dragana Rodić "TC " Kalča " II floor, Lam.- C no.85
- 13. Center for independent living of persons with disability Nis TPC Kalcha Lam. B-I / 65
- 14. Association for Assistance to Persons with Down syndrome 4560-894
- 15. Organization for the Protection of Rights and support for women and children disability of Serbia
- 16. "From the Circle ..." Nis, Episkopska72b / 3

- 17. Association of Persons with Amputations and injury at work, Bulevar Nemanjića 26
- 18. Association of War Invalids City of Nis, Sindjelicev Trg 2/2
- 19. City Association for Assistance to Persons with autism Nis, Bulevar Nemanjića 85, Zone 2

Persons with disabilities by type of problem, by municipalities and cities, Census 2011

Society / International Day of Persons with Disabilities: In Serbia, close to 730 thousand people live with some kind of disability. International Day of Persons with Disabilities: In Serbia, close to 730 thousand people live with some kind of disability. Globally, it is estimated that about 15 percent of the world's population has some form of disability. That's almost a billion people. In Serbia, that percentage is between 8 and 10 percent, and it is said that somewhere around 560 to 730 thousand of our fellow citizens have some kind of disability. That is an impressive number and those people should definitely be helped, it was heard, among other things, at the tribune "Socialmedical aspects of disability" which was held on the occasion of December 3, the International Day of Persons with Disabilities in the SNS City Board. Professor Dr. Miško Živić, Commissioner of the Council for Science and Technology, Dr. Bobana Milojković, specialist in general surgery and Jasmina Barać Perović, president of the organization for protection of rights and support of persons with disabilities "Iz kruga" and president of the Nis Association of Students with Disabilities: Statistical data show that only 13 percent of people with disabilities are employed and that a large number of people with disabilities live in poverty. That is why the state has a special obligation to help these people, and this forum is just one step towards pointing out what has been done, but also what still needs to be done. It is necessary to apply the law that has already been passed. Every company that has 20 to 25 employees must employ a person with a disability. It is necessary to set up ramps to make it easier for institutions and institutions to access people with disabilities, whether the institution is state-owned or belongs to local self-government. What is most important, in addition to employment, it is necessary to provide personal assistance to people who are not able to take care of themselves," The City Assembly of Novi Sad adopted a decision to provide all persons in the city who need a personal assistant. It is certainly necessary to change some decisions of the RHIF, because only 12 percent of MS patients receive biological therapy. When it comes to deafness, the rulebook should be changed as well, because only the tertiary level of health care can prescribe hearing aids. Imagine an elderly person who is from another city and

who has to come to the Nis Clinical Center for Hearing Aids several times, and he lost his hearing working for the state, in some random place where noise is present. In the end, our fellow citizens with disabilities have the same rights as everyone else. There are many problems related to people with disabilities, but a lot has been done in the previous period. This year, 67 ramps have been set up in 34 local governments, and about 5,200 people with disabilities have been employed. That is good, but there are still problems, socio-economic, architectural barriers, personal assistance, employment, education. We should also talk about that to young people, because they should also hear us because they are the ones who will one day solve the problems we are facing.

International Day of Persons with Disabilities, December 3, has been marked since 1992, when the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution calling on all countries to mark the day in order to promote and enable persons with disabilities to enjoy equal human rights and participate equally. with friends. This day is an occasion to draw attention to the problems that people with disabilities face, and those are primarily poverty, high unemployment and exclusion from society.

**The conclusions** from this report are that the services for youth people with disabilities are not enough. In the context of increasing youth unemployment training for youth instructors is very relevant and on time. The analysis will be forwarded to the competent authorities with the aim of improving the social life of people with disabilities and youth in the community.

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