



# MONTENEGRO



## OVERVIEW

Highly motivated to qualify as a potential EU candidate state, Montenegro has made numerous steps to contribute to and implement programs for Roma inclusion. Meanwhile, the need for sustainable change in the education sector remains high. Roma and Egyptian (RE) children generally enroll late and drop out of school early. While 98.2% of primary school age children attend primary school, just 64.5% of RE children do. Furthermore, Montenegro faces the problem of many so-called invisible RE children, i.e. those who have never attended or enrolled into school (Statistical Office of Montenegro, 2014).

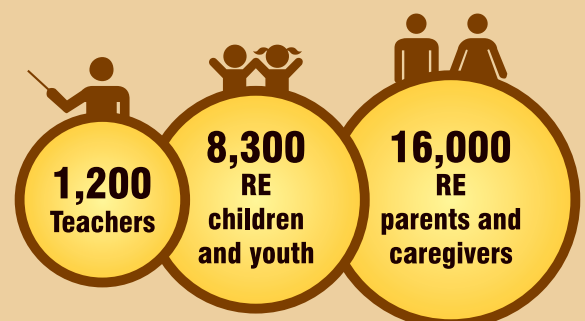
Since the cessation of violence in Kosovo in 1999, in which many RE were driven from their homes, Podgorica has housed more than 3,000 RE individuals at Konik Camp. RE residents have lived in substandard housing with little or no public services until recently.

REF has aspired since 2013 to close the segregated branch school in Konik Camp and provide a systemic solution for the inclusion of RE children at all levels of education. The REF representative office in Montenegro aims to support the local implementation of projects in line with the mission of REF, namely supporting

desegregation, quality education, early childhood education projects and also establishing a Secondary and Tertiary Scholarship Fund for RE students with financial support, investing in professional capacities of professors, mentoring and academic tutoring for RE students.

## SINCE 2005

**Roma Education Fund has supported**



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# ROMA EDUCATION FUND IN MONTENEGRO

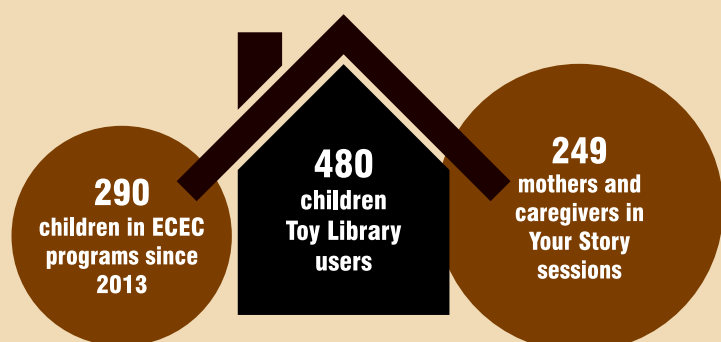
## PROJECTS SUPPORTED AND FINANCED IN 2017–2018

Educational level	Project	Grantee / Implemented by
Secondary education, Tertiary education	Roma and Egyptian Scholarship Fund for the Support of Secondary and Tertiary Education of Roma/RE Youth in Montenegro, phase II Donors: Roma Education Fund and Ministry of Human and Minority Rights	Bureau for Education and REF Montenegro Representative Office, in cooperation with Ministry of Human and Minority Rights

## PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED IN 2017–2018

Project	Financed by
Promotion and protection of human rights of Roma, Egyptians and other vulnerable groups (implementing in partnership with Help e.V)	European Union Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance

### Early childhood education and care



### Secondary education



### Tertiary education



### Primary education



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