



Newsletter

Covering January 2019

Main Activities:

- Training of the 2nd group of CPOs of Durres LPD delivered
- Command and control room of Elbasan LPD inaugurated
- Coaching of the sector of strategic analysis, monitoring, planning and evaluation as well as of the CPOs of the Elbasan Police Commissariat continues
- Activities in the frame of Grant Scheme go on.
- Awareness meetings on the DV and gender based violence.

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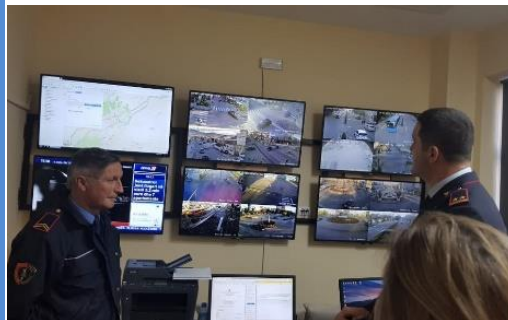


During 22-25 January 2019, was delivered in Durres the training of the second group of 21 CPOs of LPD Durres (CPOs of the commissariats of Durres, Kruja and Shijak) with the aim of increasing their capacity on community policing.

The SCPA program experts in cooperation with the Academy of Security addressed the theoretical themes on Community Policing such as Community Policing like the philosophy, system and elements of Community Policing etc.

A substantial space was dedicated to the practical handling of CPO's role, tasks, competencies and responsibilities, as well as to prevention and public safety maintenance, proactive action rather than reaction, cooperation with citizens and other community actors. The participants appreciated the commitment, the exchange of experience and the methodology used, and expressed the will to have such similar training in the future, especially with regard to conflict management.

Command and Control Room of Elbasan LPD inaugurated.



On the 24th of January 2019 it was held the inauguration of the Command and Control Room of the Elbasan LPD, which underwent a complete reconstruction and refurbishing as well as a significant upgrade of its technical capacities. Currently, this room meets the requirements to perform its tasks as a managerial and coordinative tool for this Police Directorate. Elbasan Municipality in the frame of the law on supplementary

safety measures, has installed about 200 cameras in the main roads of the city and nearby schools. Now, due to the new technology and equipment installed in this room, the police can supervise in real time the major part of the city. This helps the police on the operational dimension and the preventive one.

The inauguration took place after the annual performance evaluation of the LPD Elbasan. On this occasion, participated ASP representatives and other local law enforcement institutions, who expressed their gratitude for the funding and support of the Swedish government to facilitate their joint efforts in improving safety and security situation



Couching of the sector of strategic analysis, monitoring, planning and evaluation as well as of the CPOs of the Elbasan Police Commissariat continues.

Following the ongoing training of the new Sector of Strategic Analysis, Monitoring, Planning and Evaluation (AMPV), the EMP experts during January continued couching the experts of this sector for the TLPD Elbasan.

SCPA's experts have largely assisted the experts mainly in drafting the Progress Reports of 2018 and the Strategy and Work Plan for year 2019 as well as drafting specific questions to be sent to police commissariats and public safety sectors in order to utilize the data from the recent LSMS survey conducted in the Elbasan regions and reflect them in their work plans.



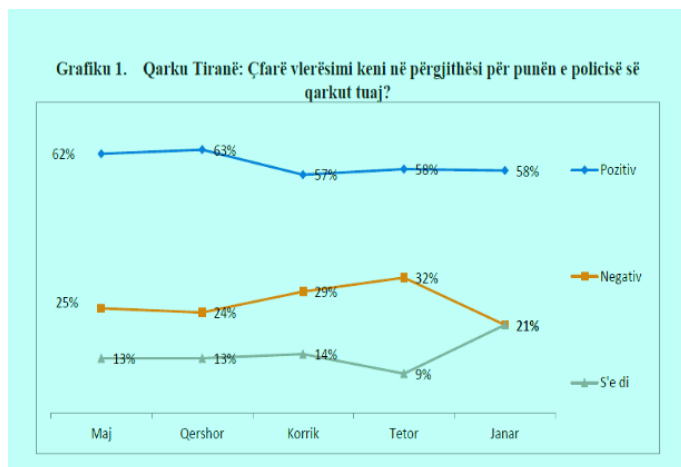
In parallel with this activity, the SCPA Experts have continued couching the CPOs Elbasan Police Commissariat. The training consisted of patrolling of CPO + expert (both in urban and rural police zones), examining in a case by case mode different activities as well as implementing good practices dealt with during previous CPO training or peer experience within the sector. This training will continue in the coming months.

Activities in the frame of Grant Scheme.

January has marked a significant number of activities under the of grants scheme. The heaviest weight in volume of activities, lays to activities which started in the previous months and continued during December 18 –January 19. Below some of the most depicted ones:

“AGENDA Institute conducted the next survey on the role of police.

In the framework of the project "Monitoring of public opinion in the region of Tirana (compared with other regions) on the role of police in the daily life of the community" funded by the SCPA Program, AGENDA Institute conducted the next survey, in the series of periodic surveys anticipated within the work plan of this project. The survey was technically carried out by statistician Eduard Zaloshnja, PhD. Two of the main findings of the survey are



- In January, there was a stability of the positive opinion of Tirana residents (16 years and over), for the work of their local police (58%). Meanwhile, there has been a decrease in negative opinion (down to 21%). Various results are observed at a country wide level; there is a statistically significant decrease in the positive opinion for local police (compared to 6 months ago), down to 51%, while the negative opinion has remained stable.
- About 64% of Tirana residents (aged 16 and over) think that police work affects the prevention of road traffic violations. More than a quarter of Tirana residents think that road police work does not affect them. Significantly worse results are noticed in the rest of the country

Advisory Community Group: Admin. Units no. 4 & 8

On 18th of January at the social center "Gonxhe Bojaxhi" it was held an informative meeting in the frame of the project "Advisory Community Group- a tool to enhance cooperation between Police and Community", which is being implemented by the organization ARSIS.



In the meeting, participated representatives of the community living in the Administrative Units no. 4 and 8, community leaders, representatives of the Community Policing Section of the Commissariat no.4 and the project team from ARSIS.

More on the activities of the grant scheme can be found on the link in the SCPA program:
<http://www.cp-project.al/web/en/grants-events/>

Awareness meetings on the DV and gender based violence.



The GADC Association, during January 2019, has organized a number of closing meetings within the project "Creating Police-Community Groups Against Domestic Violence". The meetings were a retrospective of the entire project implementation process at the Local Government Units as well as at schools where these activities were organized during the second half of 2018.

The meetings were held in 4 administrative units of the Municipality of Tirana, Peza, Baldushk, Farkë, and Administrative Unit 7. Present were the representatives of administrative units, community liaison officers, school head masters, teachers and representatives from respective communities. These meetings were also attended by 8th and 6th grade students and Community Policing Officers in these areas.

In conclusion, all stakeholders were of the opinion that these meetings increase future cooperation opportunities and were a meaningful indication of establishing a fruitful and solid cooperation between the key stakeholders within the Police-Community-Local Bodies cooperation.



On 29 January, Center "Focus on Child Assistance" in cooperation with the Association of Women with Social Problems and representatives of the Local Police Directorate of Durres, in the framework of the project "Together for Sustainable Communities and Education" held a meeting about establishing Police- Community partnership as well as on Preventive Approaches to Domestic

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Violence. During the meeting were discussed difficulties in addressing the dynamics of domestic crime, maximizing the security of the victim, bringing the perpetrator to justice and changing public



perception of violence against women and girls, the role of educational institutions and students as part of a coordinated response

Following the implementation of awareness-raising activities against domestic violence within the project "Enable violence, break off silence" The National Center for Community Services organized a meeting with women and girls on January 30, 2019 in Velipoja.

In the meeting were present women of different age groups, representatives from local police, administrative unit, etc. The issues addressed during the meeting focused on the topic of domestic violence and gender-based violence, preventive measures, the issue of protection warrants for DV victims etc.

The awareness raising activities will continue during February in the municipality of Shkodra.

During January, the organization of meetings and discussions was underway in the framework of the project "Strengthening the Police Partnership - Community to Combat Domestic Violence and Gender Based Violence in the Municipality of Kamza", which is being implemented by the Center for Development and Social Initiative.

The topics of the meetings and discussions were domestic violence and gender-based violence, the consequences that violence leads to the development of a society and what the students can do to become more active and engaged in their community in combating violence-based gender.

Among the participants were also the community policing officers of Commissariat No 5 (Kamza), who spoke about the support and contribution of the police in preventing this phenomenon, and about measures taken in cases of domestic violence, and what is required of students in preventing this problem of Albanian society. The meetings were organized in the schools of "Kamza e re ", January 23, "100 Anniversary", January 14 and "Sulejman Elezi".



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