SUMMARY OF THE REPORT OF THE CENTRE OF CIVIC ADVOCACY 2016 FULL VERSION (IN UKRAININAN)

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In 20016 the Centre of Civic Advocacy worked with actual challenges and reforms in Ukraine both national and local levels.

After 9 years of activities meeting new challenges in the country the organization changed and adapted own strategy and activities.

Only one of legal program on charity help was remained at the Centre – the program of legal support for civic organization in Ukraine. The Centre worked with issues of implementation principles of Law on state legal help at local levels and more sufficient legal help is providing through state system. It not covered Human Rights defense issues and legal monitoring so these activities are remained at the Centre work.

The Organization takes into consideration decentralization reforms and using own experience and knowledge worked with support of communities and communities leaders.

The component of increasing capacities of civic activists are actual at the Centre, the organization works with different social vulnerable groups and their organizations also with increasing capacities of CSOs at different scopes of civic participation. For example, issues of participation at budget process were interesting as for youth also other categories. On the other hand state and local authorities leader also must be educated and motivated to engage citizens into decision making process.

In 2016 the Centre's team defined objectives that will help to work with actual challenges in Ukraine:

- promotion development of free of charge legal aid;
- giving legal aid not guaranteed by the state or at priorities defined by the Executive Board;
- realization of other forms of legal aid and Human Rights defence;
- advocacy of legislation reforming with taking into consideration of needs of target groups, solving problems, best foreign experience;
- promoting integration to European Union and other international communities, establishment of partner relations between institutes of civil society, territorial communities, business;
- assistance to development of civil society and increasing possibilities of NGOs, forming and promotion of successful practices;
- increasing transparency and accountability of bodies of public power and actors, partnership with civic society actors, implementation of mechanisms of involvement of citizens and institutions into forming, realization and monitoring decisions and policies;
- implementation of informational technologies, innovations in activity of institutes of civic society, institutes of public power and business for fostering openness of activity, increasing of possibilities, involvement more activists;
- assistance to development of territorial communities, infrastructures, social and other scopes, activities and engagement of local communities to forming and realization of local policy, participation in improving well being and solving local problems;
- assistance to conservation, renewal and promoting of cultural, hystorical, natural objects and values;
- promoting development of enterprising among social business, farming, cooperation, local crafting, recreation and tourism, fostering well being of communities and their promotion;
- fostering of development of institutions of public services, government, support of reforms in scope of public services, management of human resources, fostering of implementation of good governance;
- engagement of youth to civic participation, promotion of social establishment and development of youth.

Activities of the Centre of Civic Advocacy in 2016

Transparency of power, civic engagement and increasing competence

Youth leaders were educated on haw to understand the budget and advocacy needs of youth at local level

The seminar took place at Ivano-Frankivsk, on June, 30 – July, 1. Two- day seminar.

Participants: youth representatives of civic organizations, youth activities from different regions all over Ukraine with strong motivation to participate at local policies and budget initiatives.

Main topics: haw to understand complicated information on budget and budget process; haw to find information on issues interested youth at decisions and activities of state and local authorities; what instruments we can use on monitoring and influence on situation; haw to advocacy interests of youth into decisions and activities of local authorities and local budget; haw to elaborate own initiatives and campaigns.

Support of the activity: Democracy Foundation, USA Embassy in Ukraine

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Forum "Practices and challenges of civic activities participation at budget process"

The activity took place at Lviv, October 6-7. Two day forum.



Participants: civic leaders, representatives of civic organizations, local authorities implemented "civic budget", media representatives from different regions of Ukraine.



Objectives of the forum were forming effective communicative platform for common revising existed practices of civic participation

budget process used in Ukraine, analysis of their success and challenges, also problems of using.

Support of the activity: Democracy Foundation, USA Embassy in Ukraine More information http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1450

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Exchange experience seminar "Increasing capacity of civic activities to take part at budget process"

At the activity representatives of non governmental organizations from different regions took part.

Main topics of the activity: public procurement and possibilities of civic leaders to realize monitoring and find



violations, new methods of increasing transparency and openness of budget process, new instruments



of civic participation at budget process.

Support of the activity: Democracy Foundation, USA Embassy

in Ukraine

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Seminar for organizations worked with patients on instruments of participation at forming and realization of the budget at health protection scope

The seminar took place at Lviv, on April, 21, one day activity.



Participants: NGOs representatives worked with issues of health protection scope from Lviv city and Lviv region.

Main topics: methods of civic engagement into decision making process and haw use instruments on influence on policy and budget forming and realization, procedures of elaboration and adoption budgets and possibilities of influence of civic activists on budget issues in health

protection scope.

Support of the activity: Renaissance International Foundation, Civic Health Initiative

More information http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1431

The round table "Sectorial cooperation" and haw to ensure transparency of budgets in scope of health protection"



The round table took place at Lviv, on April, 15, one day activity.

The round table was realized within medical exposition.

Participants of the action: representatives of structural departments of Lviv state administration, civic activists, representatives of unions, medical staff.

Main topics: new forms of organization of sectorial partnership, effective communication between institutions of health protection scope and different unions of citizens, social mobilization of territorial communities for increasing level of public health, ensuring excess of civic activists to public information, civic expertise of activities of medical institutions, control on budget process in scope of health protection.

More information http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1430

Support of development of local authorities

The seminar "Cooperation as a way for investment at community"



The seminar was realized at Dyblyany community.

Main topics: what is it "cooperation" and its objectives, possibilities and haw to be engaged. As the result at village inhabitants solve to initiate establishment of cooperative on milk.

Support: Renaissance International Foundation, Democracy Practice Initiative.

More information: http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1461

Civic discussion on the draft of the Strategy and Statute of Dyblyany community

Civic discussions took place at Dyblyany communities units within November-December 2016.

The aim of the framework was discussion of drafts of concepts of documents, amendments, proposals

Support: Renaissance International Foundation, Democracy Practice Initiative.

More information: http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1463



Adoption of the Strategy of development of Dyblyanu community up to 2026

Dyblyanu village council realized the session where deputies adopted the Strategy of development of Dyblyanu community.

The Strategy adoption hard work on elaboration was realized with discussion by inhabitants.

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information:http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1462



Civic discussion "Uniting communities in Lviv region: challenges and further steps"

The civic discussion took place in Lviv city on Novermber, 18.





At the discussion representatives of civic organizations worked with territorial unions, experts, scientists on issues of development of communities and decentralization, also media representatives.

Main topics discussion: results of civic initiatives realization at Lviv region on decentralization and support of communities, what needs of communities, what steps must be taken for further development.

Support of activities: East Europe Foundation by support of EU project.

More information http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1458

The seminar for community representatives "Haw to became a winner of the project?"



On October, 27 at Lviv the seminar took place. Participants: village and town heads, other representatives of united communities, specialists of councils, civic activities.

Main topics: increasing capacity on project planning, develop initiatives of local councils at united communities, preparation applications.

Support of activities: East Europe Foundation by support of EU project.

More information http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1454

Civic discussion of the project of the Strategy of development of Novy Strilusha community

Novy Strilusha community discussed draft of the Strategy of development. At discussion management of the community, deputies, civic activists, media, business representatives participated.



More information http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1452

At the activity participants discussed further development of community, proposals to concept of strategy, main direction of activities necessary for community investment and development.

Support of activities: East Europe Foundation by support of EU project.

Discussion at Zolochiv region on decentralization



On October, 7 2016 heads of local councils, deputies, representatives of civic organizations and media at Zolochiv region participate at the discussion.

At discussion representatives have possibilities to know on issues of decentralization, process and results at Lviv region.

More information http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1451

The seminar "Principles of constant development of territorial community"



On July, 13 the seminar took place at Dyblyny village. Participants: civic leaders, local deputies, local officials. Main topic: forming working group on elaboration strategy and statutes.

Support: Renaissance International Foundation, Democracy Practice Initiative.

More information: http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1444

Civic discussion on forming new territorial union at Lviv region

The civic discussion took place at Zavydovychi and Gorodok region. At discussion civic activists, local deputies of villages, managers of local legal entities, officials took part.

Main topics: issues of uniting villages at Lviv region, decentralization process and perspectives, procedures of uniting.

Support of activities: East Europe Foundation by support of EU project. More information http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1441



The round table on direction of development of Migenets community



On June, 08 the round table took place at Migenets village. Main topics: development of community and it well being, issues must be included at strategy and plans of its realization, community mobilization.

Support of activities: East Europe Foundation by support of EU project.

More information

http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1438

The round table on direction of development of Trostyanets community

On June, 07 the round table took place at Migenets village. Main topics: development of community and it well being, issues must be included at strategy and plans of its realization, community mobilization.

Support of activities: East Europe Foundation by support of EU project.

More information

http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1437

The seminar for communities on issues of strategy planning and elaboration projects of development

Two day seminar for representatives of Lviv region.





Main topic: strategy planning as a way of successful development of communities, principles of strategy planning, components of strategy planning, engagement business and civic activists.

Support of activities: East Europe Foundation by support of EU project.

More information

http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1418

Civic expertise of Lviv regional state administration on issues of involvement of civic organization to budget process in scope of health protection

The Centre realized civic expertise of Lviv state administration on issues of involvement of civic organization to budget process in scope of health protection.

Results and materials of expertise on web site of Lviv regional state administration

http://loda.gov.ua/provedeni_gromadski_ekspertuzu http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1428

Printing editions

The handbook "Uniting communities: from initiative to effective activity"

Support of activities: East Europe Foundation by support of EU project.

Edition

http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1460



ОБ'ЄДНАННЯ ГРОМАД: від ініціативи до ефективної діяльності





Budget programs on local level: to know, estimate and influence!



Support of activities: Democracy Foundation, USA Embassy

E-version

http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1467

Informational booklet "Engagement civic activists to budget process at local level"

Support of activities: Renaissance International Foundation, Public Health Initiative

E-version:

http://cga.in.ua/index.php?itemid=1426



Informational booklet "Mechanisms of civic participation of inhabitants at Dyblyany territorial community"



Support of activities: Renaissance International Foundation, Democracy Practice Initiative.

Web resources of the Centre of Civic Advocacy

As at previous years the Centre of Civic Advocacy supports own web resources and channels of dissemination information.

The web portal "Lawyer NGO" (www.lawngo.net) (from 2008)

Consultative centre for NGOs at facebook

https://www.facebook.com/KonsultacijnijCentrDlaGromadskihOrganizacij



Legal-social portal (www.pilga.in.ua) (from 2009)

Legal portal for teachers (www.lawhelp.in.ua) (from 2013)

Own web site www.cga.in.ua

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/civicadvocacycentre

Participation at consultative civic bodies

- Commission on selection heads and deputies of bureau of legal help.
- Expert commission on estimation microprojects within regional program competition (Lviv regional council)
- Working group at Lviv regional state administration on reforming health protection scope.
- Civic advisory body at the Department of ecology and natural resources of Lviv state regional administration.

Projects of the Centre in 2016

- Involvement at budget process trought active and competent civic and business participation. Supported by the Democracy Foundation of USA Embassy./ March- October 2016.
- Support of process of decentralization and free uniting communities at Lviv region. Supported by the East Europe Foundation and EU/ November 2015 September 2016.
- Increasing voices of civic activists and participation at planning and using budget costs in scope of health protection at local level/ Renaissance International Foundation/ September 2015 – August 2016.

Partner projects in 2016

- Establishment and implementation state system of control "Open budget". Regional partner of the Centre of Political Studies and Analytics by support of EU/2014-2016
- Donbass Civic Belt, partner of Western Ukraine Resource Centre by support of EU/2016-2018.

Expenses financed in 2016

Article	2016	% of the budget	Grants	Own costs
Staff payment	243302	21,7	208302	35000
Experts and consultants	356200	31,7	349600	6600
Office rent	35200	3,5	0	35200
Equipment (purchase and recovery)	16350	1,4	16350	0
Travel costs	8050	0,7	8050	0
Educational activities expenses	348600	31,1	348600	0
Informational activities expenses	76000	6,7	76000	
Polygraph expenses	18000	1,6	18000	0
Office expenses, bank costs and other administrative costs	13000	1,1	13000	0
Creation and support of web sites	6000	0,5	0	6000
Total	1120702	100 %	1037902	82800



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