



Monthly report RADNYK Programme

During the period from 1 to 31 October 2019

RADNYK activities

Number of services provided



Total
(since 2015)

186,194

October

2,326

RADNYK activities



Number of consultations provided for the officers of social protection system and NGO specialists

Total
(since 2015)



October



Number of consultations provided for IDPs

Total
(since 2015)



October



Number of events conducted

3,285



Total
(since 2015)

66



October



Number of participants in the events

27,636



Total
(since 2015)

1,191



October

Veterans resocialization support



Number of services provided by Houses of Veterans

788



Total
(since July 2019)

246



October



Number of events conducted

142



Total
(since July 2019)

48



October

RADNYK PROGRAMME MONTHLY REPORT IN OCTOBER 2019

The Project *Development of social cohesion in Ukraine through strengthened regional and local social protection of IDPs, veterans, and other conflict affected persons* (or the Radnyk Programme) is implemented by organization *Stabilization Support Services* with the financial support of the British Embassy Kyiv.

- Radnyks provided methodological support consultations on social protection of vulnerable population to 984 specialists on social activity and 169 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) representatives.
- 379 IDPs were provided with consultations on social protection issues (out of them, 73% - women; 31% - elderly people; 8% - children; 11% - people with disabilities; 8% - ATO participants; 3% - representatives of national minorities) by Radnyks.
- In October regional legal officers in Houses of Veterans provided consultations for 73 persons (out of them, 7% - women, 11% - elderly people, 67% - combatants, 3% - people with disabilities). 121 people received psychological consultations (out of them 41% - women, 10% - elderly people, 4% - children, 64% - combatants, 7% - people with disabilities).
- On October 1, the presentation of a research report *Children affected by the conflict in Ukraine* took place in Kyiv. The proposals for improving social protection of conflict-affected children were discussed among other issues. The participants included an adviser for humanitarian issues of the British Embassy Kyiv, a Deputy director of the State Department for Adoption and Protection of Children's Rights under the Ministry of Social Policy (MOSP), a representative from the Ministry for Veterans Affairs, Temporarily Occupied Territories and Internally Displaced Persons (Ministry for Veterans Affairs).
- On October 4, the Programme representative participated in a working meeting on *State of Social Protection of Veterans* of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Social Policy and Protection of Veterans' Rights. Meeting participants, including the representatives of the Committee, were provided with the information on the project Houses of Veterans that is implemented in cooperation with the Ministry for Veterans Affairs. Reference was made to the need to create such houses in all regions of Ukraine.

■ On October 15-16, the Cross-regional Forum *Social Services in Communities: Legal Dimension* took place in Kyiv. The participants included representatives of the Ministry of Social Policy, in particular, the Minister of Social Policy, representatives of Ministry of Communities and Territories Development, Amalgamated Territorial Communities (ATCs), departments of social protection, NGOs (U-Lead, Despro, Crimea-SOS, etc.) and national and regional Radnyks on social cohesion. The participants discussed issues of social support of conflict-affected people in the decentralization process, including directions and priorities for the work of the Ministry of Social Policy and other relevant Ministries, reforming and improving the system of social protection, providing administrative and legal services in ATCs as well as practical aspects for ensuring social protection of vulnerable populations, such as inclusion and protection of persons with disabilities, characteristics for the protection of the rights of conflict-affected children etc.

■ 2 *Advocacy breakfasts with MPs*, one on reintegration and social protection of ATO/JFO participants and one on pension rights of IDPs and other conflict-affected population were organized and held on October 7 and 11 respectively. The participants of the breakfasts included deputies from Committee on Social Policy and Protection of Veterans' Rights, Committee on Human Rights, Deoccupation and Reintegration of Temporarily Occupied Territories in Donetsk, Luhansk Regions and Autonomous Republic of Crimea, National Minorities and Interethnic Relations, as well as their assistants.

■ On October 17, Programme representatives participated in the working group on those released from captivity and their family members of the Presidential Office. The group also included Deputy Manager of the Presidential Office, First Deputy Minister for Veterans Affairs, TOT and IDPs, Deputy Minister of Social Policy, and representatives of the Ministry of Defense. The draft law on social and legal protection of persons illegally deprived of their liberty by the armed conflict against Ukraine was presented. The draft law is to be submitted as mutual insights of the President, Minister for Veterans Affairs and representatives of public sector as well as those affected by the conflict.