

Help in Albania

Socio-economic empowerment of vulnerable groups in Albania

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Location: Municipalities of Tirana and Berat



Supporting the employment and self-employment

The project has supported young women and men through:

- vocational and on-the-job training;
- delivery of small-grants supporting micro and small enterprises as well as farmers and rural businesses.
- trainings of farmers and small businesses

Main Objectives

- Improved employability and access into the labour market of vulnerable groups
- Strengthened economic revitalisation of small businesses & micro-farms

What we have achieved





Meet our beneficiaries - Erjan Guxha

Erjan Guxha, a local tour guide, and David Hoffman, a travel blogger, co-founded the Turtle Farm Albania in Petrele in October 2020 with the aim of protecting turtles and keeping them safe. The Turtle Farm has an organic food restaurant, and provides agricultural education for children and adults, the possibility to adopt turtles, as well as organising tours of the surrounding villages. Help in Albania together with Agricultural & Rural Development Agency (ARDA) provided the Turtle Farm with a grant for new aquariums and fences for 116 turtles through its in kind grant scheme.

■ **Farmers & Agribusiness grant scheme**

Meet our beneficiaries - Rosela Toska

Rosela Toska is an 18 years old. She lives with her grandparents and uncle's family in Berat. Only two of her family members are employed earning an unsteady income. Rosela is benefiting from Help's VET course to become an aesthetician. With the gathered skills from the training center Rosela aims to get employment in a beauty-aesthetic salon or open her own in the near future. Help is implementing a six-month vocational training scheme for youth in the town of Berat, focused mainly on courses of cook and pastry-chef, as well as manicure, pedicure and hairdresser.

■ **Vocational Training (VET) scheme**

