

Projects in Kosovo/a

The following table presents Balkan Sunflowers Kosovo/a Project, July 1999-October 2005.

Code	Project or Activity Title and Description	Volunteers	St	Type	\$
Prishtina Pr					
	Prishtina has coordinated Kosovo programs as administrative office, as well as implemented the programs listed below.				
Pr01	Playground-Park. Bregu i Diellit (Sunny Hill) area. Children's playground installed June 00 by another NGO. Possible future effort on hold.	RE	N	M	
Pr02	Prishtina Sanitation Working Group. We organized an initial meeting involving all relevant Prishtina agencies, NGOs, local civic groups, UN, KFOR, WHO, etc. re cleaning up Prishtina. Initial meeting successful in that it happened. Mixed in results. WHO asked to take over the project. BSF contributed draft for literature for kids; worked on awareness aspects in support of the project.	RE	F	M	
Pr03	Art Exhibit. Photos of & by refugees from Macedonia camps, organized for show at art café in Prishtina. Soros funding of DM700. Oct 99.	EK, RH	F	M	\$
Pr04	Kosovo Women's Center for Home and Family Development. Developed funding application for woman's organization active since 1960s providing sewing classes, women's health education. Looted during war. October 1999.	AM, RE	F	M	
Pr05	Children's World. Facilitated Prishtina visit including 5 venues in Prishtina, Vushtrii and village. October 1999.	RE, ET, AM	F	A	
Pr06	Residents Committees. Facilitated Sunny Hill 1 & 2 residents committees to work on cleanup projects. Worked with groups and KFOR.	RE	F	M	
Pr07	Children's Book Translation. Proposed obtaining rights to publish or add to print runs Albanian language translations of a selection of most outstanding children's books.	RE	N	M	
Pr08	Xhevet Doda High School Video. Two hours of tape of this Prishtina high school including city shots, interviews and a tour of the school have been sent to the US, as part of finding sister schools and support for the school. September 1999.	AM, RE	N	M	
Pr09	Youth and Clean Environment Campaign. BSF provided logistical support and kids activities to WHO, the Trade Union of Elementary and Secondary Schools, and British KFOR in a program that cleaned 26 primary and secondary schools in Prishtina and involved art and theme writing to include environmental awareness in the program. October 1999.	AM	F	M	
Pr10	Children's New Year's Pageant. A month of theater workshops for 100 children culminating in a pageant of performance and giant puppets parade New Year's Eve as part of Prishtina's New Year's Celebration. Also performances outside Prishtina. Funding by IRC, UNICEF, Joint Saudi Relief Committee and British Council. The New Years Eve show was a great success, shown on Kosova Television. Dec 99.	ET, JS	F	M, T	\$
Pr11	A group of local high school students started a group to build up an electronic network of high school students around Kosov@ and neighbouring countries (including Serbia !!). BSF helped the group organise themselves and get funding for the initiative. The IRC funded computer communication center offered them support.	WK	F	A	
Pr12	Winter food, clothes and firewood distribution. Jonathan Hoffman returned with \$5000 donated by his church and spent Christmas distributing firewood, clothes and food direct to the most needy villagers. Dec-Jan 2000	JH	F	M	\$
Pr13	Sunny Hill Cleanup. Coordinated with KFOR large area cleanup, including beginning cleanup of major dump area. Reported on RTK Kosovo television, as well as in newspapers and on radio.	RE, SR	F	M	\$
Pr14	Livestock distribution. Jonathan Hoffman returned to distribute livestock to most needy villagers, Albanian and Serb, in a Vermont church supported project. Spring 2000	JH	F	M	\$
Pr15	Bregu i Diellit Childrens Center. A project to create a children's activity center in the Sunny Hill area. Ilyria Primary School offered space. Funding unsuccessful.	RA,	N	M	
Pr16	Poetry Project. New York actress and writer, BSF volunteer Janine Kijner collected poetry from Kosovar poets for a bilingual anthology, intended for US-Kosova co-publication.	JK	N	M	
Pr17	Training Program. Monthly trainings are held for all Kosovo volunteers (local and international). Subjects include conflict resolution, problem solving, team building, planning, etc.		F	M	
Pr18	Care for Our Kosovo Program. The program was Kosovo's first major environmental campaign utilizing radio, tv, newspapers, flyers, school actions, trainings for a Kosovo-wide campaign. 11 great posters designed; more than 20 Kosovar celebrities gave their voices to the CD which was played on most major radio stations, 7 TV spots broadcast for 5 months. UNICEF 2001	JJ, FV, RE	F	T	\$
Pr19	Youth Day 2001. As part of youth day festivities, BSF hosted with the Group of Young Ecologists, environment table, display, puppet show, and environment posters.	LV	F	M	\$
Pr20	Care for Our Kosovo Concert-Festival. A first in many ways: a first environmental festival gathering many agencies and organizations to show what they do and provide information, a first use of the national library grounds for a major program, a great	SM, TW, RE	F	T	\$



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	concert – and broadcast on national television. IOM, UNMIK. 2001				
Pr21	Environment Cartoon. As part of Care for Our Kosovo campaign, BSF created a half-page environmental cartoon and information section for weekly inclusion in <i>Koha Ditore</i> , the leading Kosovar newspaper.	RE	F	M	\$
Pr22	Science in Our Schools. The one-hour interactive science program, with an environment focus to fit into Care for Our Kosovo, was delivered in more than 100 elementary school classrooms. 2001		F	M	\$
Pr23	Media training for Environmentalists. The Care for Our Kosovo campaign included media training for environmental activists, delivered by RTV21. 2001		F		\$
Pr24	Television environmental spots. The Peja Video Teens group and filmmaker Fatos Lajci developed 7 30-second spots for television on logging, garbage, clean water, etc. These spots were shown over 5 months on three main Kosovo television channels. 2001		F		\$
Pr25	Water conservation campaign. The BSF-Dept of the Environment campaign used Care for Our Kosovo approach, focusing on water conservation. The project included 4 radio spots, 3 television spots with Kosovo's most popular comedians, 8 comics in <i>Koha Ditore</i> newspaper, a Water Conservation in our Schools program, a street action (toilet tank water saving), and an apartment buildings action. UNMIK. 2002	RE, AM, AC	F		\$
Pr26	Scouting. 2001-2005. BSF volunteers, who were also experienced scouts, have helped new group development, provide logistics for multi-ethnic meetings, facilitated international travel of local scouts, and visits of international leaders to Kosovo. While only one of a number of local and international contributors, BSF has had an important role in the growth of scouting from the few groups in 1999 to some 20 groups in 2005. Italian Caritas, European Scout Region, Swiss Office, Scouts et Guides de France, KFOR.		A		\$
Pr27	Management training for environmental activists. For the Regional Environmental Center, Rand Engel conducted a one-day management training for environmentalists. 2002	RE	F		\$
Pr28	Civic Education Hubs. Various phases of the Civic Education Hubs (CEH) involved training and supporting Roma and Ashkalia community advocates in developing and managing projects, developing NGO and advocacy skills, and operating local "civic education hubs" – local community action centers. 2001-2003	JW	F		\$
Pr29	Flamboree. A BSF volunteer in Belgium and BSF Kosovo facilitated participation of 30 Kosovar scouts in the international camp, Flamboree, in Belgium, as well as many other activities before and after the camp. UNMIK Youth Dept., KFOR.		F		\$
Pr30	Four Years Later. A youth video project involving Albanian, Roma and Serbian youth, who looked at their lives in Kosovo four years after the Kosovo conflict. 2003 UNHCR	KD	F		\$
Pr31	Scouting for Change 1. The program included a 3-day workshop (at the Vushtrri Police School) for 60 Kosovar scouts and 4 trainings on various themes. Scouts from around Kosovo then implemented a training in their own regions so that they both passed on and made their own what they had learned in the Kosovo-wide trainings. 2004. Swiss Liaison Office.		F		\$
Pr32	March 2004 Response. After convulsive riots rocked Kosovo, BSF ran a clothing drive, with Mother Teresa Society, provided safe transport to newly displaced people, donated a TV to a new IDP center, donated mattresses and blankets, etc. 2004		F		
Pr33	Novo Selo. From the March 2004 violence, the Ashkalia community of Vushtrri, Kosovo were displaced and living on a military base. BSF's 3x/week visits included films, parties, a kindergarten, math classes, a mothers and babies group, sports, etc.		F		
Pr34	Scouting for Change 2. Trainings continued, now focused on helping scout groups develop a monthly activities program, so that their work could gain more focus as well as develop new activities. 2004-August 2005. Scouts et Guides de France, and European Scout Region.		A		\$
Pr35	Roma and Ashkalia Documentation Center. The RADC is a focal point for service to the Roma and Ashkalia communities. Since its inception it has organized roundtables, worked on participation in the 2004 Kosovo Assembly elections, managed a phone conference between Kosovo and Diaspora Ashkalia, participated in conferences and trainings, and organized a showing of Kosovo RAE artists at the halls of the Assembly of Kosovo. ODIHR, OSCE. July 2004-		A		\$
Pr36	World of Wonders Comics. With the Kosovo Discovery Museum, BSF created a weekly fullpage educational comic for young people that appeared in <i>Koha Ditore</i> (circulation approx 20,000). Each week featured a theme, an interesting biography, facts, puzzles, etc. Council of Europe. Nov 2004-May 2005.	RE	A		\$
Pr37	Community Activists Network (CAN). October 2004-October 2005. Fourteen international volunteers were paired with local partners to find and support youth activists, decide together what they want to do in their communities – and do it. This project developed and leveraged volunteer activism through intensive training and support. CAN actions and support include: no electricity party (Priluzhe), new scout groups (Gracanica and Priluzhe), Roma kindergarten (Priluzhe), scout group support (Lipljan and Obiliq), English classes (Lipljan), Science in Our Schools (Mitrovica), computer classes (Kosovo Polje), minority documentation (Kosovo Polje), art program (Plemetina), winter camp (Obiliq), Tolerance in Our Schools (Gjilan), community center development (Gjilan), workcamp projects (Mitrovica and Lipljan), kindergarten training exchanges (Gracanica). European Union		A		\$



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Gjakova Gj					
Gj01	Brickworks. Three days a week Monday to Saturday, BSF volunteers organized activities at the Brickwork transit camp. These activities, geared mainly to the children, included drawing, art competitions, football, singing, creative play etc. Transit center closed. July 1999 – June 2001. Stichting Vluchteling (SV)	All	F	T	
Gj02	Music Projects. Classes in voice, drums, harmonica, pennywhistle were held for 6+ weeks at Brickworks and Primary School. August-September 99. (Liz Shropshire set up her own NGO to deliver a music program which continues in 2005 and has spread to Uganda and Northern Ireland.) SV	ES, EM	F	A	
Gj03	Gjakova 2000 Cleanup. Balkan Sunflowers participated, with Kosova Youth Council and others, in removing major destruction debris. 1999	All	F	A	
Gj04	English lessons. Long-term volunteers gave 4 English lessons a day, from beginners classes to advanced for the children at the New School. Approx. 150 students from August until the beginning of the school year. 1999	HM	F	T	
Gj05	Handicap Center. At least one volunteer attended the Handicap Center of Gjakova three days per week. The room at the Handicap centre has been closed since December. Handicos is searching for new premises. 1999 SV	All	F	T	
Gj06	Refurbished the Brickworks canteen with new windows, new carpet, shelving, new locks on doors, new lighting, mural, so that it can be used as a warm safe place for children to play, and as a central meeting place for women of the camp.	All	F	T	\$
Gj07	Pediatrics Ward. Visits to children at hospital. We visited the Childrens ward at the Gjakova hospital two days a week for activities with the children.	All	F	T	
Gj08	Children's World. Facilitated visit including 8 venues, in close cooperation with Save the Children. October 1999.	All	F	A	
Gj09	Village Project. Help for village of Meja for winterization. Brought other NGOs and resources to the village. 1999	EM	F	A	
Gj10	Youth Center. Worked with the municipality, local youth groups, and student councils. For premises for a Youth Center.	All	F	T	\$
Gj11	Cinema. BSF, working with STC, organized free cartoons for the children of Gjakova at the Cinema in the Cultural Center. 1999	All	F	T	
Gj12	Kindergarten Transit Camp. BSF scheduled activities with the children three times a week. BSF liaised between the managers of the camp, Solidarite, and the residents of the camp.	All	F	T	
Gj13	Sporting Activities. October-December weekly football game in the afternoons for all older children from both transit camps.		F	T	
Gj14	Mural Project. Children painted a large mural on a wall in the city center with the theme "Where do you see Kosova in ten years?" With a design by Jeff Schoenhard. 1999.	JM, SZ	F	A	\$
Gj15	3rd transit centre cancelled.		N		
Gj16	Student Council Elections. BSF worked with Kosova Youth Council to establish Student Councils in each of the 4 secondary schools in Gjakova. BSF explained and aided in the election process in each of the schools. The president and vice-president of each of the schools make up the city wide Student Council. Volunteer Chris Williams, former VP of his University student union, and fresh from the McCain campaign helped students on this project.	JM, CW	F	T	Y
Gj17	Convention on the Rights of the Child Celebration November 20. Active program implementers, included children's marches from 4 areas converging in the old town, pageant, entertainment in the sports hall, and balloon release. 1999	All	F		
Gj18	Handicap Center Christmas Party. First party ever organized for the center. Support from Save the Children and Handicap International. 1999	All	F		
Gj19	The Slovenian Village (transit camp), BSF has scheduled activities with the children two or three times a week.	All	F	T	
Gj20	Food Mural. We worked with the children who were involved in the outside mural for the city of Gjakova, to design and paint a mural inside. Completed.	SZ, NS	F		
Gj21	English Lessons at Brickcamp. We offer bi-weekly English lessons at the Brickcamp for the older boys and girls. Due to the sensitivity of some of the traditional families of the camp, female volunteers teach the girls, males teach the boys.	JM, EW,	F	T	
Gj22	Art for Prisoners. UNMIK was to send packages to each of the prisoners from Gjakova in Serbia. BSF suggested that we organize for 400 drawings, by the children of Gjakova, to be presented as part of the package. Put on hold by prisoners' group.	SZ	N	M	
Gj 23	BSF helped the children of Zakeria Rexha School design and paint a three-panel mural in their school yard. The mural was begun on Earth Day, and has an environmental message. 2000.	NS, EW	F		\$
Gj24	"Just Clean It" Campaign. Working with the Student Council, BSF arranged a city wide clean up effort, which was launched on Earth Day. Contributions for the effort came from 18 international organizations, and 125 local businesses. Estimated value of donations and funds raised close to 100,000 DM. Each Saturday for 6 weeks, the community mobilized to clean a different sector of the city. The campaign was a big success. 2000	All	F	T	\$



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Gj25	Spring Festival. As a culmination of the Just Clean It Campaign, we helped organize a community festival in Freedom Park. The May 21 st festival included singing, dancing, music, poetry recitals, athletic events, and silly games. 2000	All	F	T	\$
Gj26	Environmental Awareness Art Competition. Planning an art competition in the schools, with the theme of the environment. The winning selection will be exhibited in the Cultural Center and displayed in the Municipality Building. Possible that the winners can also be used as designs for posters in later environmental campaigns. Need financing.	JM	?	M	
Gj27	Summer Camp. Children from Gjakova town and villages attended an overnight camp, Pushimori Drini, on the River Drini. Coming from homes most affected by the conflict, children attended eight one-week sessions for fun, art, music, swimming, boating, photography, sports and much more. Minority children attended the sessions. This camp was sponsored by H.H. Moulay Hicham Ben Abdallah El Alaoui of Morocco. An unscheduled ninth week for handicap children was added. 2000.	All	F	T	\$
Gj28	Clowns and jugglers. Brought clowns and jugglers to the Summer Camp entertaining and involving children and their parents. Support from BSF allowed the performers to also visit many villages where children rarely receive such support. 2000		F	M	
Gj29	Dr. Kouchner & Prince Moulay Hicham Day. Arranged for children to sing and deliver gifts in appreciation for the Pushimori Drini camp at the new Mother Theresa statue in Gjakova. 2000	All	F	T	
Gj30	Youth Week. BSF helped arrange a variety of Youth Week (No Violence theme) activities. October 2000.	All	F	T	
Gj31	Football tournament. BSF organized a football tournament with the 5 Gjakiova secondary schools, renting the sports hall the tournament was the first interschool event in recent years. Supported by UNMIK Youth Department.	KH, GV	F	M	\$
Gj32	Villages Program. BSF works in Koloniya (a Roma community), 3 transit centers, and Sheremit and Molliq villages with an arts and activities program. 2000-01	All	F	T	\$
Gj33	Student Council Elections 2. BSF worked with students to hold elections for the second time.	KH,	F		
Gj34	Drug Awareness Program. Worked with local students to participate in drug awareness and action program. Ongoing Gjakova media campaign in cooperation with Kosova Youth Council. 2001	KH	F	M	\$
Gj35	Summer Camp 2001. Eight week summer camp on the River Eriniku was built from the ground up with KFOR, municipality, GTZ, USAID/OTI/IOM, Stichting Limburgsch and private donor support. More than 350 children, 40% from minorities, participated.	AR, KH	F	T	\$
Gj36	Gjakova Youth Center program support. The NGO Involved opened a youth center in January 2002. BSF was active in the set-up and planning for the center. BSF administered a grant used to arts materials, photo workshop and some of the renovation. BSF participated in the center board and volunteers were active in the arts and English programs from January until BSF ended its Gjakova program in May 2002.	All	F		
Gj37	Youth Center arts program. Scott and Chris Coats led the arts project. Skilled artists they involved kids in many different projects, perhaps the standout being mask making.	SC, CC	F		
Gj38	Youth Center English classes. BSF volunteer Cherie Hamilton provided English classes at the youth center for one year.	CH	F		
Gj39	Science in Our Schools program. Volunteer Scott Walsh developed Science in Our Schools which was delivered in many Gjakova schools. Later we used the same program as part of the Care for Our Kosovo and Drini i Bardhe campaigns. The program used eight simple and exciting experiments to introduce kids to science concepts. 2001.	SW	F		
Gj40	Rights of Children art festival and catalog. Children in the village arts program participated with hundreds of their creations. The art was included in a booklet and an exhibit was held at the city cultural center. 2001	All	F		\$
Gj41	Gjakova park clean-up and planting project. The project cleaned the city park and planted flowers. 2002.	SC, CC	F		
Gracanica Gr					
Gr01	Gracanica Summer Camp. See Gracanica. A staff of 3 volunteers and 12 local staff ran daycamp for more than 400 children, with arts, camping, Aikido, sports and other activities. 2001	RA, JJ	F	T	\$
Gr02	After School Program. 2001-2. Most Gracanica children were in the 2001 Summer Camp. They continued to come to activities with BSF through the fall and winter.		F		\$
Gr03	Minorities program. This program developed the Gracanica after school program as well as supporting further activities in Gjakova, Gjilan, and the development of projects in Plemetina and Zitkovac. Funding did not continue from mid-2002. Activities were continued in Plemetina and Gjilan.				\$
Gr04	Roma Oral History. Interviews, old and new photos, stories, music, and research were collected around Kosovo. A CD collects all of this information. Open Society Foundation	RA	F	M	\$



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Gr05	Civic Education program. As part of the Civic Education Hubs project with OSCE, a BSF volunteer living in Gracanica worked with On the Good Way and Eyes of the Future NGOs, supporting the NGOs, working with children, and implementing educational surveys.				\$
Gr06	International Roma Day festival. The Civic Education Hub supported a multi-community International Roma Day program of dance, music, food.				\$
Gr07	Gracanica Education Center The Education Center has four programs: kindergarten, starting school club to help children become comfortable in the majority language of the school, after-school homework help, and extra activities such as English, movies, dance, street law, etc. 2004-2005, Musser Fund, OSCE, Norwegian Church Aid		A	M	\$
Peja Pe					
Pe01	People In Need Center "Konvikt". Children's activities including games, art, sports, drama club, August 1999 – March 2000; winter-fall 2001. Stichting Vluchteling (SV)	All	F	T	
Pe02	Karagaq Hotel Collective center. Children's activities since August. On 10 Feb. the Collective Center was closed. SV	All	F	T	
Pe03	Karagaq Park Clean-up. Major summer activity included hundreds of children, NGOs, KFOR, UNHCR, food, volleyball, football, music. Reopened the park to the people of Peja. August 1999.	All	F	A	
Pe04	Parks Project. Project includes UNICEF funding of \$32,000 and by UNMIK with 37.000 DM, includes clean up, restoration of and new park benches and tables, tools, playgrounds, other repairs for Karagac and two other city parks, and IRC and IOM funding for labor, electrification and other repairs. Team of 20 ex-UCK soldiers completed hospital park, Karagac and Central Parks. Magnificent Karagac Playground installed. Extended the project into the spring with International Balkan Sunflower volunteers to start slow peace building work via social contacts with internationals during the work. 1999-2000 UNICEF, UNMIK	FV	F	M	\$
Pe05	Urban Environment Awareness Campaign. Attached to park program, includes environmental art project (funding from IRC), education in the schools, signs, posters, trash bins for whole city of Peja. Environmental video program: see Pe18.	SJ, MA and Local Staff	F	M	\$
Pe06	Arts Center. Development of unused city cinema into cinema, performing and visual arts center for the city. Program included concerts, workshops, video, parties, live theater. , Program stopped when theater was taken for renovation. 1999-2000.	All	F	T	\$
Pe07	Football tournament. Tournament for NGOs, with admission of DM100 per team, for park support. 8 teams participated. Food served. 1999.	All	F	A	
Pe08	Concert fundraiser. DM25/ticket. DM1600 raised from NGOs in support of the arts center project. Program included children's theater performance of drama group organized by BSF that is ongoing, children's choir, local bands, Casey and backup, etc. Complete.	All	F	A	
Pe09	Children's Program at Art Center. A day that included cartoons, Children's World performance, the drama group, etc. Full house of children. Such programs continuing after the initial success.	All	F	T	
Pe10	Children's World. Facilitated with Save the Children and Concern activities at six venues plus arts center performance. Performed for UN Secretary General Kofi Annan. Complete.	All	F	A	
Pe11	The clowns. Facilitated the Flying Pranksters English clowns through weeks of clowning. Complete.		F	A	
Pe12	Poetry Evening. Evening at local café with local poets and music. Complete.	JK	F	A	
Pe13	Cinema nights. First film in the cinema for local people in many years on the video projector donated through efforts of Danny (the clown) Meallem. DM5 / ticket for NGOs, less for locals. Grilled cheese sandwiches. Films continued Fall 1999, Spring and Summer 2000, many as free open air shows in Karagac Park.. Recent showings: Star Wars Phantom Menace; Princess Bride.	All	F	A	\$
Pe14	Blind School. Children's activities from August 1999 to Spring 2000 .	All	F	T	
Pe15	Karagaq Players Drama Program. Youth drama group directed by BSF volunteers. This group performed an original production at the arts center.	SC	F	T	
Pe15	Mural Project. Children, with help of outstanding local artist, painted many walls in Peja's destroyed old market area. Funded by IRC. Featured in Sheshi, a Kosova culture magazine in November.	All	F	A	\$
Pe16	Rights of the Children Celebration. BSF actively participated with UNICEF, SCF and others. BSF tents in Karagac Park included kids activities, as well as education and stimulating activities around the Rights of the Child. A children's march from UNMIK to Karagaq of approx. 5000 children!	All	F	A	\$
Pe17	English lessons in the transit center Konvikt and Karagac Hotel for children and adults.	All	F	T	
Pe18	Video project. UNICEF funded Environment Awareness Campaign project started to make Environmental films with teenagers. This developed into a youth video center with supported by CIDA and IRC.	MA SJ	F	M	\$
Pe19	Art Activities with children in the hospital for children with lung diseases, December –	All	F	T	

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Pe20	As a result of the Environmental Awareness Campaign two posters were designed on the basis of Peje kids artwork and put up around Peje, Gjakova, Prishtina, and Gjlane.	KJ Ka	F	M	
Pe21	A local artist connected to Balkan Sunflowers did an art action on a hill near Peja; he painted a small bunker pink writing the words "Think Pink" next to it. For weeks this was the talk of the town; everybody wanted to know from BSF what "Think Pink" means.	So	F	A	
Pe22	On New-Years Eve a huge open-air music, video and theatre event took place (organised by the local NGO's Free Artist and Kosov@ Youth Council, with a lot of support from BSF) in the centre of the town, between the UNMIK HQ and the KFOR HQ. The stage and video tower were build by UNMIK. A hundred musicians and thousands had a great time, until the event was stopped as KFOR received a bomb threat. Apparently untrue.	All	F	A	
Pe23	In the hospital for infection diseases and lung diseases distribution took place of clothes (donated by UNICEF), school materials (donated by Partnership for Growth) and a television and video (donated by BSF volunteers) for the children who some times have to spend half a year or longer in the hospital.	FV	F	A	
Pe24	In the Konvikt Transit Centre special murals were painted with a large group of children and youngsters, turning the very depressing dinning room and some of the other public places into friendly and bright looking places.	AC	F	A	\$
Pe25	In the new Women's Wellness Center (supported by IRC and organised by the local Womens Forum) a series of special art classes were held.	JM	F	A	
Pe26	Photo Workshop. The first project involved a Albanian and Roma children from neighboring villages, exploring themes of identity and tolerance through film; games and exercises were used to explore perspective, photo subjects, etc. A multi-ethnic event. UNICEF support.	MP, JK	F	T	\$
Pe27	Karagac Restoration Celebration, 1 April 2000: picnic, music, readings, environmental video debut – and more.	All	F	A	\$
Pe28	Garden. Land provided by Vaso Pashe Shkodrani school is gardened by school children and volunteers. Teaching agriculture and ecology, garden activities have included building a wall, a tolerance circle, and picnics.	All	F	T	
Pe29	Summer Camp. Seven weeks of summer day camp in the park. Children were involved in work projects in the park and around the city, and artistic activities such as drama, photography and video. Themes for the activities for the first session: nonviolence and for the second, multi-culturalism. Significant participation of minority children (40% Bosniak and Roma during the second session) and counsellors, along with TMK, have made these projects outstanding contributions not only to the children but to the city as a whole.	All	F	T	\$
Pe30	Summer Video Workshop. Award-winning children's filmmaker Mark Landsman led four-week workshops for 11-14 and 15-20 year-olds. Heart Poems (11-14 group) and Postcards (15-20) look at life in Peje a year after the war. Films when complete will be shown around Kosova and outside. Other BSF volunteers on this project have included Sally Thompson, a BBC television director, and Jan Kellet, who also works with the BBC. Support: CIDA, IRC, UNICEF. Films subsequently shown at Sundance Film Festival and Human Rights Film Festival (NYC).	ST, JK,	F	M	\$
Pe31	Public Service Announcements (PSA) Video Workshop. Three 30-60 second PSAs made by teenage filmmakers, who selected the themes: Violence against women, drugs, and gossip and slander.	JK, JK,	F	M	\$
Pe32	Camp Festival. The multi-cultural festival involved a parade through Peje, a delegation of UNMIK Police representing cultural diversity, music, art, food and much more.	All	F	T	
Pe33	Spanish Theater Troupe & German Jugglers. Multiple performances and workshops for children in Peje region.		F	M	
Pe34	Tolerance Mural. Roma and Albanian teens, after a rocky start, painted together a mural on tolerance in the center of Peje, helped by students from the art school. UNMIK funding.	All	F	T	\$
Pe35	Inter-Community Creative Education Project. ICE uses arts and multi-media to explore social themes and issues including tolerance, domestic violence, environment, etc. – bringing together youth from such diverse backgrounds as village and city, Roma and Albanian. Program commenced w/out funding Feb 2001 as Village Integration Program.		F		
Pe36	Video Teens to Sundance. Three youths from our Peje video group were invited to attend the Sundance Film Festival in the US to share their films with youths from around the world. A major effort to get passports, visas, funds, arrangements – succeeded.		F	M	\$
Pe37	Environment Center. A working group developed an environmental center plan with other local NGOs and environmental authorities. Further funding was not found. UNICEF.		N	M	\$
Pe38	Photography Program. The photo workshop program is being expanded to multiple villages as well as the city, with the installation of a new darkroom, and more equipment to expand the program.		F	T	\$
Pe39	Peje Video Teens developed environmental PSAs for the Care for Our Kosovo campaign. Three spots have thus far been shown almost daily on the three main television stations.		F	M	\$
Pe40	Karagac Festival. BSF cooperated in the Earth Day / Karagac Park / Care for Our Kosovo celebration ... music, environmental awareness, fun, after a major cleanup and fixup of the park. May 2001.		F	M	\$

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Pe41	Crossing Bridges Festival. Active support for major festival in support of Peja multi-ethnic camp: children's activities, environment, concert. August 2001.		F	T	\$
Pe42	Fundraising party. The gala big tent event in Karagac Park, celebrated two years of BSF in Peja, and raised several thousand Deutchmark to sustain the program. 2001.		F	T	
Pe43	In the Hands of Youth. The Peja youth video group developed a film on youth and violence. The 30-minute film explored guns and violence from a youth perspective. 2002 UNDP	CCJ	F		\$
Pe44	Drini i Bardhe Awareness and Responsibility Program. CARE International's program to rebuild irrigation system for 20,000 farmers in the Drini i Bardhe watershed area needed an environmental education components. BSF's community representatives visited virtually every hamlet in the region as well as performed Science in Our Schools in all the area schools. 2002. CARE, Netherlands Foreign Ministry.	CW	F		\$
Gjilan G1					
G11	Konvikt Center. Working with 100 children in this refugee center serving Albanian refugees from Presheva (Serbia), working with IRC, until the center was closed.. September 99 – June 2000. Stichting Vluchteling (SV)	All	F	T	
G12	Gosha Center. Working in second IRC transit centre providing children's educational and recreational activities (30 kids). Jan – June 2000. SV	All	F	T	
G13	Distribution: schoolbags, school materials and clothes was done in all the transit centers; distributed jumpers jackets and shoes from Kosova Red Cross. February 2000.	All	F	A	
G14	Medical care. Thanks to actions of BSF activists for the first time there was regular medical treatment organized in the both transit centers.	HO	F	A	
G15	Kindergarten Center. Providing children's educational and recreational activities in a third IRC transit centre (20 kids). March - June 2000. SV	All	F	T	
G16	Preschool. For ages 3 and below at Konvikt Center, with resident mothers and their children. To provide support for children and meeting area for mothers. Registered with UNICEF. SV	All	F	T	
G17	Internet training. One hour per day for children from Konvikt , Goshen, and Kindergarten, with IOM. Support learning to communicate by email.	All	F	M	
G18	Eggs. Sourced 600 eggs/ week for Konvikt centre. With World Vision.	HO	F	M	
G19	Gjilan Municipal Park. European Union/UNDP, UNMIK, IOM and KFOR supported a BSF project to completely renew the city park, a large area almost clearcut 10 years ago, and mounded in garbage. A TMK crew built the park fence. BSF hired a mixed Albanian and Serb work crew for the project – virtually unique in Kosova now. Groundbreaking for the park included Dr. Bernard Kouchner and received wide media attention. (International Herald Tribune, 14 Sept 2000). The opening ceremony was on 4 November 2000 a beautiful park.	HO	F	M	\$
G110	Roma Community Project. English classes and a kids art group are meeting daily. We are developing a Roma Resource Center which will have space for classes, meetings, library, etc. BSF volunteers have moved into the Roma Mahalla; a project is underway to add space to the BSF house to make the Resource Center, a project supported by IOM and TMK.	HO, ED, BE	F	T	\$
G111	City Park Playground. A terrific new playground was installed in the park. There were no playgrounds in the city.	HO	F	M	\$
G112	Roma Computer Skills. Volunteers have arranged a computer class for Roma children at the IRC Youth Center, to help facilitate encounters between the youth.	All	F	T	
Gj13	City Center Park. Kamer Asllani (for BSF) completed the restoration of all the park benches within a month. This involved removing the old benches and installing 50 new ones. UNMIK has paid for the benches, KFOR for cement and TMK have supplied the labor with Kamer as the supervisor. KFOR, TMK UNMIK	HO, KA	F	M	.
Gj14	Roma Resource Center. The center opened May 2001. The center hosts local youth and women's groups, a nursery, continued language and art classes, a gym much used by the youth. Turned over to local NGO January 2004. TMK trust fund, KTI and IOM, OSCE, Limburgsch.	HO	F	M	\$
Gj15	Human Relationships/Conflict Resolution training. Together with the IRC Youth Center staff. It was hosted by UNMCOR.	ED, BE, HO	F	T	\$
Gj16	IOM Internet training. The trainer is great and the children are learning but it seems that no matter how interesting the program, the volunteers spend most of their time rounding the kids up before each lesson. IOM.	ED, BE	F	T	
Gj17	Judo.. Artan from IRC intervened, but problem with trainer, i.e. we'll take your Roma but you find us funding. The children attended for many weeks, but is now discontinued.	BE, ED	S	T	
Gj18	Dance Program. The Roma youth group held a dance concert in the city on 3 March. BSF has helped organize the event.	BE, ED	F	M	\$
Gj19	City Park, 2 nd half. The second half of the park has been cleared of hundreds of truckloads of trash; a new fence and sports fields are to be installed in the 1+ hectare area. BSF involvement in plan but not implementation.	HO	F	M	
Gj20	Kindergarten. The kindergarten regularly included 20-30 children in its program. Working		F		\$



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	with Roma, Serbian and Albanian teachers, the children improved familiarity with the local languages, gained comfort with numbers and letters, created art and music, and developed social skills. The kindergarten received favorable comment in OSCE's publications, and on Kosovo television. The kindergarten was successfully transferred to Gjilan municipality in January 2004. OSCE				
Gj21	Civic Education program. The Civic Education Hub was a focus for development of local community activism and advocacy skills, based in a community space, using BSF's community center. The CEH was turned over to a local NGO in 2004. During the first several months of 2004, BSF facilitated the hand-over process. 2003-2004. OSCE		F		\$
Gj22	Social services support. Between 2000-2004, BSF volunteers supported the Roma community in expanding freedom of movement and accessing social services. This included accompaniment in walking in the town, help in getting ID cards and other documents, going to health houses, to Gjilan and Prishtina hospitals, and village doctors, to sports fields and programs, to the city park, to multi-ethnic activities for children, etc.		F		
Gj23	Tolerance in Our Schools. As part of the Community Activists Network program, a 3-month youth workshop developed workshops to be delivered to primary and secondary students from Gjilan's schools. 2004-2005 ARC	MM	F		\$
Gj24	Roma Women's Story. A book of stories, interviews and photographs. In development, 2005, as part of the Community Activists Network program.	MM	D		
Gj25	Abdula Presevo Community Center. Much preparation work ... so far unfunded.		D		
Gj26	TV Journalists. OSCE project for young journalists working with a TV station; BSF working with OSCE to find new funding – and if found BSF will provide studio television equipment donated by Hope and Aid Direct. Pending November 2005.		D		

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Plemetina PI					
PI01	Plemetina community center. Starting in January 2002, the community center began with multiple activities for children: arts, games, magic shows, sports, classes. UNICEF, Pax Christi NL, OSCE	JJ	A		\$
PI02	English language programs. Initially BSF provided space for another NGO offering an intensive English language program.	SVW	F		\$
PI03	Art for kids.				
PI04	Panteli Sotiri School gym renovation.	SVW	F		\$
PI05	Romani history. Lessons were developed and a series of classes held. Lessons were also developed using Romani history to help teach English in a TOEFL kind of model.	SVW	F		
PI06	Computer room. Computers were always in use and classes were held – until stolen.		F		
PI07	Street law. Classes were arranged with the Kosovo Law Center, which sent a trainer for bi-weekly sessions.		F		
PI08	Tai Chi. Tai Chi was taught over 5 months. Often the practice sessions were in the gym in Obiliq's Panteli Sotiri school, which attracted a lot of attention. The Tai Chi group travelled to give demonstrations in Prishtina and Prizren.	JM	F		
PI09	Emergency shelter. When a family lost their home to fire, BSF found how difficult it could be, though ultimately successful, to get them a temporary shelter.	SVW	F		
PI10	Plemetina scout group. Two scout groups – Plemetina and Obiliq – were started at the same time, in 2002. They continue to work together over the years.	EB	A		
PI11	Civic education hub. The CEH program developed NGO training, and supported local development for the RAE community in a number of towns.		F		\$
PI12	Film nights. Summer evenings on the center lawn or the school field, projections on a great white fabric screen.	KD	F		
PI13	Welcome to Plemetina. The youth video "Welcome to Plemetina" included fourteen young Roma from Plemetina and Priluzhe villages. The youth wrote, directed, filmed the look at their lives in Plemetina.	KD	F		\$
PI14	Volleyball program. There have been teams, training, registration as a league, and a tournament.		A		\$
PI15	Social service support. For many in Plemetina, going to social or medical services is a threatening experience. BSF has provided hundreds of escorts and car service.		F		
PI16	Sewing and literacy group. The group brought young women together for social time, sewing and crocheting together, and basic reading skills.		F		
PI17	Plemetina Self-Development project. Working groups were formed to choose projects, and help monitor and guide those projects, funded with Pax Christi Netherlands grants. The working group has been a project in itself, to develop local grassroots involvement along with some of the projects below: home renovations, sanitation company, kindergarten, support for a worker's syndicate.	EB, TK, AB	A		\$
PI18	Self-help home renovations. Materials were purchased for repair or improvement of 38 homes. Families were responsible to provide their own labor..		F		\$
PI19	Sanitation company. A tractor and trailer were purchased for a village sanitation		F		\$



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PI20	Volunteer host family stays. We began having volunteers live with host families in Plemetina.		F		
PI21	French scout programs. Groups of French rovers have visited Plemetina two summers to bring summer camp programs to the village and support the development of scouting.		F		
PI22	Kindergarten. The daily program, running since early 2004, brings more than 40 children together for arts, learning, fun and care. Supported by Pax Christi, and the Netherlands embassy.		A		\$
Miscellaneous Communities MC					
Mc01	Obiliq scouting. 2003-		F		
Mc02	Prizren civic education. Support for a council of Roma community leaders; assistance to cultural program. 2003		F		\$
Mc03	Mitrovica. Gazivoda work camp, 2005. The two-week camp cleaned the Gazivoda reservoir which provides much of Kosovo's water and built a swimming pier. CAN project. 2005		F		\$
Mc04	Mitrovica. Support to IDP camps. Help with survey work, and local services – in preparation for further program development, as part of the CAN project. 2005				
Mc05	Lipjan. English classes at the youth center. 2004-05. CAN project.		F		
Mc06	Lipjan. Support to scouts group. CAN.		F		
Mc07	Lipjan. Youth journalism project included more than 20 young people, visiting newspapers and television stations, receiving training, and developing their own NGO. CAN.		F		
Mc08	Priluzhe. When power was cut off to the village, the "Nema Struje" party became the biggest social event. CAN		F		
Mc09	Priluzhe. Evening film nights (with generator) were popular – especially during the 78-day power cut off. CAN		F		
Mc10	Priluzhe. The first kindergarten activities often had as many as 70 children crowded into 5-7 meters. Later a more "spacious" container was donated by French KFOR for activities. CAN		D		
Mc11	Priluzhe. The virtual community program taught more than 20 youth from Priluzhe, Obiliq and Plemetina to design websites and to set up their own virtual community – www.pop-vc.com. CAN		A		\$
Mc12	Kosovo Polje. Community center programs centered around computer skills, and developing a program to pass those skills on to local instructors. CAN		F		
Mc13	Kosovo Polje. NGO development working with the NGO Ashkalia Youth Power. CAN		F		
Mc14	Kosovo Polje. Community support and access – particularly cooperating with the municipality on data collection in the Ashkalia community. CAN		F		

Notes: 1. Volunteers: initials of the volunteers in the project. 2. St = Status. A = Active. D = being Developed. F = Finished (BSF involvement finished). S = stopped or discontinued. N = No project (did not pass research, development or seeking funding stage). 3. Type is T = team, M = Managerial or solo, A = Activity, one time or short duration. 4. \$ = Outside funding received.

