



BACKI PETROVAC

Serbia

Municipality of Backi Petrovac
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Application

*for the Municipality of Backi Petrovac
for approval as Safe Community
in the World Health Organization's network
of Safe Communities*



Dr Jan Sabo
The Mayor of the Municipality of Backi Petrovac

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Mayor's speech

The idea of the Safe Community Project was first introduced to me at the meeting of the Vojvodina Doctors Society Section of Geriatrics by the beginning of 2004 when Dr Mirjana Milankov presented her paper on the subject of "old people in a Safe Community".

I very much liked the concept of Safe Community. Since my wish is to improve the health, quality of life and the safety of the Municipality of Backi Petrovac citizens, I suggested that the Project Safe Community be promoted with our public. .

The first presentation of the Safe Community produced great interest. Present were the pupils, working class, old people and pensioners, as well as the representatives of the health and social care, police officers, firemen, teachers, representatives of the sport clubs and other organizations, the media...

The presentation of the Safe Community Project encouraged the people present to discuss it. The summary was that we all want our Municipality of Backi Petrovac to become more healthy and safer, a place where people could live, work and have fun in a nicer and quality ways. We have decided to join the Safe Community Movement.

Our vision is to create a safe and healthy living and working environment in Municipality of Backi Petrovac through the promotion of a safe and healthy culture.

The Safe Community Council was formed and started working diligently so that we now can sum up the results achieved in realizing the six indicators needed for the Municipality of Backi Petrovac Safe Community to be confirmed and joining the Safe Community international family.

Our mission is to reduce the frequency of injuries and accidents through

collaboration of different community groups, local corporations, business, organizations, associations, schools, health care providers, government agencies and people of the Municipality.

Our moto is SAFE, HEALTHY. HAPPY, since we want the people in the Municipality of Backi Petrovac feel that way.



*Dr Jan Sabo
The Mayor of the Municipality of Backi Petrovac*



Leader's speech

This application is for the approval of the Municipality of Backi Petrovac as a Safe Community or in Serbian “Bezbedna zajednica” or in Slovakian “Bespecne Spolocenstvo” in accordance with the World Health Organization's indicators.

The application also provides a summary of the accident, injury and violence preventative work which has been carried out in the Municipality of Backi Petrovac for a number of years.

As stated in the municipality development plan the Municipality of Backi Petrovac wishes to build up citizen's security by contributing to an active local environment. The development of this type of local environment is dependant on the municipality's ability to utilize local knowledge accumulated and held by various professional groups and on the ability of municipality activities to generate interaction with the local population within the geographical areas were which they feel at home in.

Based on this, accident and injury prevention work has been carried out for many years at several levels in the Municipality of Backi Petrovac. This work has had a broad basis and has been rooted in local plans and initiatives since 2004. These plans and initiatives have been aimed at the entire population in general but also more specifically at children, youth, the elderly and other vulnerable groups and environments.

Accident and injury prevention work focusing on the entire population has been concentrated on initiatives for children and parents at clinics, environmentally aimed health care in kindergartens and schools, traffic and fire safety, campaigns against vandalism, initiatives for the elderly etc. The police have in addition in cooperation with the municipality and voluntary groups and NGO run significant preventative work in boroughs and local environments.

Work focusing on vulnerable groups and environments has concentrated on creating safe local environments and safe and good conditions for children and youths to grow up in. A number of local environment projects in boroughs and local environments have been implemented to reduce injuries and accidents among children, youths and the elderly.

Plans have been made and initiatives have been implemented to ensure that roads used by school children are safe, to reduce traffic accidents in risky areas. Several years of experience with cross-profession and cross-sector cooperation, extensive cooperation with research and education environments, cooperation with local and volunteer's groups and organizations and private business and participation in national and international conferences to learn and to exchange experience, gives Municipality of Backi Petrovac the greatest opportunity to further develop the accident, injury and violence prevention work.

To further develop the accident, injury and violence prevention work in Municipality of Backi Petrovac, the Municipality of Backi Petrovac applies with the World Health Organization for approval of becoming a Safe Local Community and to participate in the World Health Organization's network of national and international 'Safe Communities'.

*Prof.dr Ana Sabo
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*Municipality of Backi Petrovac, Serbia
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1. Municipality of Backi Petrovac

1.1. Description

Municipality of Backi Petrovac is located 25 km northwest of Novi Sad, capital of Vojvodina Autonomous Province, and 100 km northwest of Belgrade, capital of Serbia.

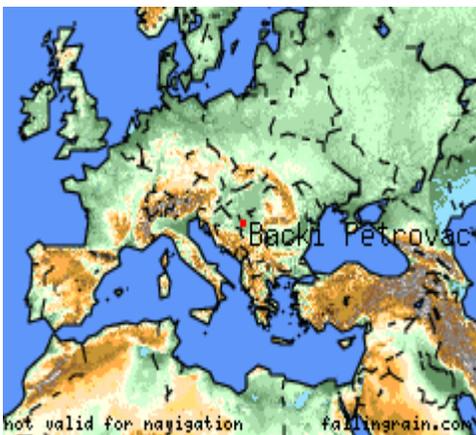


Backi Petrovac-Main street

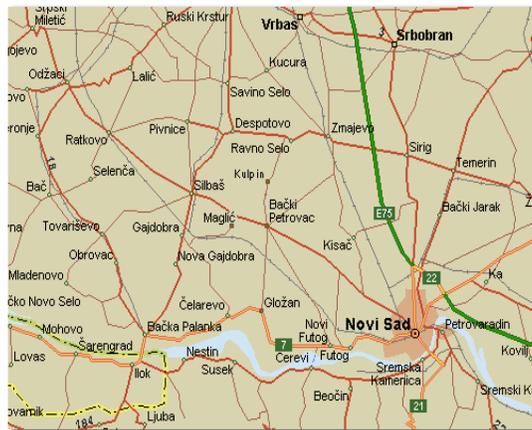


Backi Petrovac -Begining of the Walking street

Municipality of Backi Petrovac is the smallest one in Vojvodina.



Position B.Petrovac in Europe



Position B.Petrovac in AP Vojvodina

Municipality of Backi Petrovac occupies 158 km of the southern part of Backa. It is located on the fertile land between the territories which occupy the municipalities of

Novi Sad, Backa Palanka, Vrbas and Beocin. The whole area of land is intersected with a set of canals of the Danube-Tisa-Danube irrigation system, which is navigable along its entire course.



Backi Petrovac



Kulpin



Maglic



Glozan

Municipality of Backi Petrovac of comprises four places: Backi Petrovac, a city-like settlement, and villages of the Panonian type: Kulpin, Glozan and Maglic. The 14.871 inhabitants of various national structure live in this Municipality. Most of the inhabitants are Slovaks (67%), then there are Serbs (25%), while the remaining percentage make members of other nations and national minorities. Due to the favourable climate conditions and very fertile land, first settlements on this territory appeared very early.

The name "Petrovac" dates from the 13th century, when this settlement was acknowledged as the independent church municipality with the church dedicated to St. Peter.



Teatar



Protestant church

Petrovac was first mentioned under its present name in Turkish books from 1553 as a settlement with 19 houses. At that time, the inhabitants of Petrovac were Serbs who lived there as frontier guards after the Turks had left.



Kindergarden



Elementary School

During the Rakoci's rebellions these settlements were deserted and burnt, but their names remained and were kept until the present times. The need to revive and populate these desolate, floodable but very fertile land resulted in the colonizations which were approved by the then Austrian empress Mary Theresa. In 1745 first Slovaks came to Petrovac lead by the freedom lover Canji Matej.

Backi Petrovac is the largest and most important settlement in the Municipality. Apart from economy, it also has well developed social activities. As the largest Slovak settlement in Backa, Backi Petrovac has become the ethnic, cultural and educational centre not only for Slovaks in Backa but also for those in Banat and Srem.



Gymnazium



Pupils house

In the year 1845, the first library in Backi Petrovac started its work. Today, this library has a large number of books in its fund. In 1866, the first amateur theatrical show was performed, and in 1919 Slovak High School was founded, representing the garden of cultural and educational development as well as of preservation of Slovak national identity.



Hunting house

The basic economic activity is agriculture, which is based on highly productive manufacture of crop plants, livestock breeding and vegetable growing. Apart from this, there is also processing and metal industry, wood processing, building industry, printing and graphic industry, garment manufacture, commerce and catering trade. The crafts industry also has a very long tradition.



Agroculture



The Petrovská klobása - a gem of the Slovak national ethnogastronomic tradition

Yet in 1842, craftsmen founded their first association in Backi Petrovac. There are also extremely favourable conditions for development in hunting, fishing, sports and recreation tourism as well as excursion tourism.



The part of history

The Municipality of Backi Petrovac is in the near vicinity of Novi Sad and Fruska Gora which enlarges the overall possibilities for its tourist offer.



Ethno house



Local Cakes

In addition to its natural potentials and beauties, there are many cultural monuments in the Municipality of Backi Petrovac, which are a statement of the rich cultural, historical and ethnographic heritage of this area. The most important cultural monuments are: the oldest house in Backi Petrovac dating from the feudal times, the edifice of the church municipality together with the Slovak Evangelist church from 1823, then "mniac" for hemp processing which represents the protected cultural good.



Folk dance

Inhabitants of Municipality of Backi Petrovac are Slovak, Serbian, and Rom minority, as well as Croatian and Greeks. The languages are Slovak and Serbian. Approximately 30% of inhabitants are farmers, while 30% are employed by local factories.



1.2. Population

For analysis of main demographic indicators in the Municipality of Bački Petrovac were used 1991 and 2002 Censuses and 2004 Registry of vital events.

Based on 2002 Census in the Municipality of Bački Petrovac has total population of 14.681 inhabitants, population growth (- 6,4 %) according to 1991 Census. Indicator of population by sex, masculinity rate, 1000 female to 962 male (Table 1).

	N	%
0-14	2.300	15,7
15-49	7.144	48,7
50+	5.213	35,6

Table 1. Age of population in the Mnicipality of Bački Petrovac

Population of the Municipality Bački Petrovac by aging rate is regressive tip of population and. Population aged 50 and over is 35,6 % of total inhabitants and population aged under 14 is 15,6%.

Basic vital demographic indicators:

- Natality 9,6 ‰,
- Fertility 40,3 ‰,
- Total mortality 16,4 ‰,
- Mortality of babies 7,1 ‰,
- Natural accretion -6,8 ‰

Population of the Municipality of Backi Petrovac is demographically old population, median age of population- Male age 38,7 and Female age 42,1.

1.3. Organization Municipality of Backi Petrovac



Building of Municipality of Backi Petrovac

1.3.1. Municipality of Backi Petrovac

- Mayor- Dr.Jan Sabo
- Deputy Mayor- Radomir Zotovic

1.3.2. Backi Petrovac Municipal Assembly

- President of the Municipal Assembly- dipl.ing. Juraj Cervenak
- Secretary of the Municipal Assembly- dipl.att. Svetoslav Majera



Meeting of Backi Petrovac Municipal Assembly

1.3.3. Local self government

- Local self government head- dipl.att. Milina Labat
- Social services, public section head- dipl.att.Dusan Govorcin
- Utility services, industry, housing section head-Jan Lomianski
- Finance and supplies section head-dipl.ecc.Bosko Bogunovic



Staff of Local self government

1.3.4. Municipal public prosecutor

- Public Prosecutor-dipl.att. Katarina Raseta

1.3. 5. Public services under competency of Municipal Assembly

- Preschool institution „Vcielka“- Zuzana Pasic
- Informational institution“Backi Petrovec“ (radio)-Jan Hansman
- Slovak Vojvodina Theater-Pavel Canji
- Library“Stefan Homola“-Jarmila Stojimirovic
- Community health center- Dr.Jan Ribovic
- Public utility, housing and infrastructure direction-Vladimir Turan
- Public utility company“Progres“ Backi Petrovac-dipl.ing. Ondrej Benka
- PUC“ Komunalac“ Maglic-Krsta Jovanović
- PUC“Gloakvalis“Glozan-Ondrej Srnka
- Tourist organization Backi Petrovac-Ljuboslava Strba

1.4. Health care

Health Care Center provides primary health protection to the Mubnicipality of Backi Petrovac population.



Health care Center



Dr J.Sabo, Mayor and doctors from Healt Care Center

The basic structure of the Health Care Center is:

- General medicine
- Dispensary for women
- Dispensary for preschool and school children
- Dispensary for lung diseases
- Medical diagnostic laboratory
- Dentists
- Dentist's laboratory
- Ophthalmology surgery
- Ophthalmology counseling
- Sports surgery
- Polyvalent public nurses service
- Emergency medical Care
- X-ray and US diagnostics
- physical medicine and rehabilitation
- Pharmacy

There 82 employees at the Health Care Center – 63 of them being medical staff. There are 22 medical doctors, dentists and pharmacists and 41 medical nurses. According to specialty the doctors at the Backi Petrovac Health Care Center are: General Medicine Specialist (1), Pediatrician (2), gynecologist obstetrician (1), Occupational medicine specialist (1), Physical medicine and rehabilitation specialist (1)



Patients in Health Care Center

1.5. Starting situation

The Municipality of Backi Petrovac has been interested in Project Safe Community of WHO since 2004.

National Center for Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion 2004. analyzed the morbidity and mortality of the Backi Petrovac Municipality citizens. Taking into account the significant number of injuries within the structure of morbidity and mortality, the risk factors of the injuries' occurrence were also analyzed according to the population groups and places of occurrences. The National Center for Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion representatives gave several health promoting lectures. Prim. Dr. Mirjana Milankov, the Director of the Center introduced the Project Safe Community and suggested that the Backi Petrovac Municipality be included into the Project and to direct all of its activities regarding preventing injuries and promoting safety toward realizing 6 criteria.

Since the founding Safe Community Municipality government not only supports, but also participates in organizing all activities. The community cooperation and partnership with the Safe community are based on individual and volunteer activities.

Safe Community also co-operates with a number of organizations from local organizations, mainly with Local police station, with schools, local women's organizations and Red Cross, Health center and National Center for Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion.

Injury prevention has been already then one of its priorities as injuries are the third cause of death in population and they are the main cause of invalidity and death among youth.



*First step – Prof.dr A.Sabo, leader
Dr M.Milankov, Prof.M.Boldocki*



Prof. Tanja Korosova

Our areas of priority:

- Safe Communities
- Injury prevention children and youth
- Injury prevention elderly people
- Traffic safety
- Environment

1.6. WHO`s indicators for Safe Communities

A “ Safe Community” can be a: Municipality; a County; a City or a District of a City working with safety promotion, Injury-, Violence- , Suicide- and Natural Disaster prevention, covering all age groups, gender and areas and is a part of an international network of accredited programmes.

The World Health Organization (WHO) has set certain criteria for approval as a Safe Community, stating that such communities must have:

1. An infrastructure based on partnership and collaborations, governed by a cross-sectional group that is responsible for safety promotion in their community;

2. Long-term, sustainable programs covering both genders and all ages, environments, and situations;
3. Programs that target high-risk groups and environments, and programs that promote safety for vulnerable groups;
4. Programs that document the frequency and causes of injuries;
5. Evaluation measures to assess their programs, processes and the effects of change;
6. Ongoing participation in national and international Safe Communities networks.

1.6.1. Indicator 1

An infrastructure based on partnership and collaborations, governed by a cross- sectional group that is responsible for safety promotion in their community

The Backi Petrovac Safe Community Project was supported by city government and its centre is in Municipality building of Backi Petrovac. However, many partners take part in this work.

The partnership and membership was anticipated by- preschool houses in the Municipality, Gymnasium in Backi Petrovac, women organization, Red Cross of Backi Petrovac, Local Police department, anti fire organization.

In 2004, when the need for foundation of Safe Community in Backi Petrovac was recognized, the leaders, workers and participants in the projects were elected.

- Prof. dr Ana Sabo, leader of the Backi Petrovac Safe Community Project
- Prof. Tatjana Korosova- leader of the Safe Community Council
- Prim.dr Mirjana Milankov-supervisor

Experience from other places indicates that measures to prevent injuries and accidents must be organized cross-sectorally and often in collaboration with voluntary organizations, the private sector and individuals who are concerned about preventive activities in local communities.

Through interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral work on preventing injuries and accidents, several arenas have been set up in Municipality of Backi Petrovac in which municipal and government authorities and other involved bodies participate. One objective in establishing an infrastructure based on a common understanding and

collaboration on measures to prevent injuries and accidents is therefore to further develop the interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral Municipality of Backi Petrovac are organised in the following way: Safe Community Council, Project group, Working groups.

1.6.1.1. Safe Community Council

- Leader of the Safe Community Council
- Mayor of Bac Petrovac
- Leader of the Backi Petrovac Safe Community Project
- Backi Petrovac municipality, Fire department
- Backi Petrovac municipality, Education and Sports
- Backi Petrovac municipality, Transport and Communications
- Backi Petrovac municipality, economy, finance and social activities
- Backi Petrovac municipality, police and security
- Backi Petrovac Health centre
- Backi Petrovac religious community representatives
- Backi Petrovac NGO's

The mandate of the Safe Community Council is: to select relevant bodies, to identify areas of priority, to compile long-term and sustainable plans and programmes, to evaluate efforts made, to participate in national/international networks.

1.6.1.2. Project group

- Leader of the Backi Petrovac Safe Community Project– prof. dr Ana Sabo
- Coordinators for children and school – Suzana Pasic and Natasa Berat
- Coordinator for Youth -Ivan Varga
- Coordinator for Elderly- Ana Moravek
- Coordinator for Handicapped persons – prof.Tatiana Korosova
- Coordinator for Home and Leisure – prof. Maja Boldocki
- Coordinator for Traffic-Jan Vozar
- Coordinator for Occupational-Milina Labat
- Coordinator for Sports-Jan Haneman

The mandate of the project group is: to establish working groups, to coordinate the work of the working groups, to coordinate plans and programmes in various areas, to evaluate the work of the working groups.

The mandate of the working groups is: to systemize the work at municipal level, to map injuries and accidents at municipal level and their causes, to draw up plans and programmes to reduce injuries and accidents in the area, to evaluate efforts made in the area.

1.6.1.3. Staff

Professions part time: Medical doctors, Psychologists, Teachers, Jurists, Policemans , Students – number 11. Organization:National Center or Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion-Safe Community Backi Petrovac

Specific intersectional leadership group: Municipality Backi Petrovac, Backi Petrovac Health Care Center, Private Doctors in the Community Backi Petrovac Police Station, Social Welfare Department, Red Cross, Women’s organizations, Primary schools, Gymnasium, Kindergarten, Non-government organizations, Local newspaper and local Radio TV station.



Staff and Coordinators Safe Community Backi Petrovac

The program Safe Community injury prevention is being carried out by teams promoting safety of children, youth, working and elderly persons as well as the persons with special needs.

The Mayor, dr. Jan Sabo, services of the local government responsible for the security, health protection, social, law affairs and education, health professionals from the Health centre, police, firemen, kindergarten, schools, sport clubs, association of retired people, women association, association of individuals as well as the members of local newspapers, radio and TV station, all participate in the program.

1.6.2. Indicator 2

Long term-sustainable programs covering both gender and all ages, environments and situation

1.6.2.1. At the Following age groups

1.6.2.1.1. Children 0-14 years

Information given at Health Centre by Paediatric doctors and Public Health Nurses to parents about nutrition, care and home, leisure and traffic safety. Different kinds of written information material are produced and delivered. The Health Centre also passes information about safety equipment and how to obtain them.

The cooperation with the Health Care Centre embodies the following activities of the paediatricians, paedodontists and medical nurses: Regular preventive systematic checkups with the paediatrician and the paedodontist; Obligatory vaccination of children according to the vaccination calendar; Checkups and controlling the growth of permanent teeth; Seminars for parents: Deformities of the spine; Parental Education: Correct posture while sitting at the table, proper nourishment for children; Children Education: Preventing the addiction related diseases.

Cooperation with the police station and activities related to the traffic: Education and training: -Going from home to the kindergarten and school; -The pedestrians; and the traffic participants' behaviour; - Getting acquainted with the traffic signs and regulations; where and when am I riding the bicycle; Talking to the police officers in the kindergarten and school; Children visiting the police station.



Activities related to the safety at home: Education: -How to behave when alone at home; -Dangers of fire and electrical circuits at home;-Dangerous poisons and medicines at home; Demonstrating firefighting; Visiting the fire brigade station and getting acquainted with the firefighting equipment.



Activities related to the safety at home and in public places: Education: - Proper behaviour, communicating with unknown persons; Parental seminar:-Safe child; - Preventing violence at home and in public places.

1.6.2.1.2. Youth 15-24 years

Health Care Centre performs regular preventive systematic checkups and obligatory vaccination according to the vaccination calendar and education for educators dealing with Human gender oriented relationship, Contraception and organization of the family, sexually transmitted illness, physical activity, health, nutrition; Preventing the addiction related diseases.

The main issues are preventing use of drugs, violence, vandalism, traffic safety and the efforts to make the youth themselves organizing drug-free arrangements and different kinds of meeting facilities such as sports clubs.

Educational efforts aimed to lower the drugs use, ascertain that all age groups identify safe related risk factors as seen by the youth, and to try to lower this risk.

Training on first aid and sport safety was organized for secondary school students. Concept on anti-drug abuse, anti-crime and anti-smoking was also instilled to them. Students were recruited for the safe and healthy promotion activities at the public road crossing facilities and in order to enhance harmony of the community.

The presentation of ‘Regular exercise for healthy life’ was launched to establish a positive life style in students.



The cooperation on local crime prevention is organized through interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral groups with the help of local newspapers, radio and TV station.

1.6.2.1.3. Adults 25-64 years

The adults' population of age 25-65 is involved into program through all situations and environments.

Work place as one of most critical settings for grown up people. Work safety is responsibility of institutions, of employers and observed by county level labor inspection and health protection administration.

Road safety programs serve safe traffic conditions both for pedestrians and drivers. Positive changes in local and national alcohol policy should also prevent accidents and injuries – in different settings, environments and situations. For better information and communication we use county and municipal level media.

Education: Prevention of injuries at workplaces (including accidents and work-related illnesses) at traffic and at sport activities; Fire prevention; Falls prevention; First aid. The volunteer fire department offers fire safety courses to the municipalities' institutions.

Treatment opportunities have been established for alcoholics, drug abusers and their families. In addition, network groups have been set-up for some of these groups, i.e. alcoholics, children of abusers, young drug abusers and relatives. Addict consultants in the municipalities' work together with physicians, social workers and businesses.

Personal counselling within the municipal organisation consists of a broadly comprised group of individuals with professional backgrounds that can help employees with personal problems of an acute nature.

1.6.2.1.4. Elderly 65+ years

In Backi Petrovac there are two organisations dealing with the elder population: specially trained nurses from the health center visit regularly old sick people, providing the basic health support. Physiotherapist visit disabled ones, who invite them, and provide basic rehabilitation.

The volunteers in Red cross visit old people at least twice a week, and help them in obtaining food and other necessities from the stores, help them with the visits to the health centre, help them in cleaning etc.

Volunteers- young people, help old citizens in removing the snow from the streets in the front of the houses.

Visits: nurses from the health centre regularly visit the old people. They help them, when necessary they rehabilitate them and educate them about risk factors, chronic illnesses, and trauma prevention. They also give advice relating to drug administration.

1.6.2.2. At the following environments

1.6.2.2.1. Home

In fact, home and leisure time injury prevention has been the main objective of the program. All interventions targeted on different population groups are very tightly related to that objective. In that respect all associated groups have been involved, i.e. family doctors, municipal social workers, local media, sport-clubs etc.

Public Health Nurses are informing the parents having newborns by making home visits and providing consultations. Discussions with parents take place four times after the first home visit informing them about the risk of accidents in relation to the child's development, reviewing checklists, and talking about different kinds of equipment.

To prevent injuries and accidents among the elderly who live at home, measures have been implemented through the Public Health Nurse and some project of NGO.

1.6.2.2.2. School

Survey of the previous activities concerning children's security

a) Monitorial duties: Monitorial duties of teachers in the hall during the breaks, Monitorial duties at the registration desk: pupils- the morning shift, hygiene maintaining workers - the afternoon shift, Monitorial duties of pupils in the hall during the breaks, Monitorial duties of teachers in the school dining-room, Night monitorial duties is done by a night watchman. Special security measures: during excursions /monitorial duties of teachers and collaboration with police/, during pupils' parties /teachers' and pupils' monitorial duties, special police /traffic/ control during the first and the second week in September. Collaboration with the police service has been established during the entire school year for ex. in regard to severe violations /robbery, fight.../, police control in the school surroundings has been reinforced during the school year. The school entrance and the school yard have been particularly illuminated at night.

b) Education: Continuous traffic instructions concerning the lower grades of pupils' behavior have been given by teachers /especially to the first and the second grade pupils/, Special police education concerning the traffic security, Realization of the project "The safe child" in the school year 2004/2005 in lower grades, /all the pupils, teachers and all other school stuff has been included into the project/, The realization of this project took place in the school year 2006/2007 and workshops were realized by specialized service on the theme "Security in school and monitorial duties" aiming at reinforcing monitorial duties in the school. The result of these workshops is the "Monitorial duties reference book" in which the specialized service summarizes the pupils' suggestions and strengthens the way of monitorial duties realization.

c) Internal rules reinforcing the pupils security in school: The rules of behavior at school, the rules of security measures, ways and acts of the elementary school pupils, it is not allowed to leave the school yard during the educational process.



d) Activities aiming at the pupils security reinforcing: There is a possibility of checking of the children's presence in additional classes and sections by particular teachers, On the initiative of Parents Council the project "Video monitoring" has been elaborated, Elaboration of the pamphlet named "The most frequent trap" /children's excuses used in manipulation of their parents/ about which the parents will be informed during the next first Parents Consultation, The book of monitorial duties, During the Grade and Teachers Council Meetings the security problem, monitorial duties etc. have always been analyzed, Everyday fixing broken, damaged and dangerous things, Solving

problematic situations immediately after their manifestation. The Specialized Service has also been working on prevention of such the problems, Moving of the lower grades downstairs of the school building.



e)Other: Because of some incidents that happened in the school yard the school asked for the Community help to solve the problem of the stray dogs. We have got the information that we might get the special rifle to eliminate these dogs.

1.6.2.2.3. Occupational

When starting the new job all workers have obligation to visit the occupational health service and check up their health status. Depending on the activity, the protective wearing during the working hours is obligatory (gloves, masks, head protection etc). All employers have obligation to send workers to special courses on safe working conditions.

Particular attention is paid to work in agriculture fields. TV, newspapers and radio talk about safe ways to drive machines, clean wheels when entering roads, be careful when working with machines. Specialists from different fields regularly visit farmers, give lectures about trauma prevention, safe spraying, manipulating agricultural accessories.

1.6.2.2.4. Traffic

Information and educational efforts in traffic aimed to improve traffic knowledge, how to cross the road, how to behave on bicycle, bicycling by the canal, giving the instructions about safe bicycling.

To reduce the risk of accidents Municipality of Backi Petrovac has reduced the city speed limit and constructed pedestrian road on Backi Petrovac to Kulpin.



Promotional campaign of safe driving, for example “No speeding”, “Never drive after consuming alcohol”, etc. have been emphasized. Moreover, both drivers and passengers have been educated to put on the safety belt to minimize the extent of car accident injury.



Putting the fluorescent foils on the bikes, educational efforts aimed to lessen the traffic accidents. Putting traffic lights at the crossings of the roads between the schools.



1.6.2.2.5. Sports

There are programmes aiming at safety promotion in sport areas and children playgrounds.

Those are defined as associated (coherent) target groups. Sport clubs are facing stricter regulations on safety at their venues. Training methods and protection in sports has also been targeted in order to prevent accidents. There is an ongoing campaign, supported by our program to persuade people to use helmets while cycling. We work in tight collaboration with local Basketball-club and local Bike-club. We also do have a good contact to local sport and leisure time shops as concerns safe equipment advertising.

1.6.3. Indicator

Program that target high risk groups and environment and programs that promotes safety or vulnerable groups

In a special area that has large-scale challenges in terms of living conditions the program is targeted at pregnant women, newborns, elderly, people with special needs and disabled persons. Preventive activity for those groups is on the social and health care sectors.

Educational pamphlets about protecting children and elderly against physical, psychological and sexual abuse are distributed to the public by the Social Welfare Department.

Special attention is paid to children and people with special needs. The organization called WE (MI) takes care about them. They organize daily care for the patients, with professionals supervising, organizing hand-making different things, exhibitions etc. The humanitarian ball was organized to collect the money for the new safe special transport car for immobilized patients.

1.6.3.1. Children

Until 2003, the only official playgrounds at the municipality were at preschools and schools yards. In 2005 in Kulpin, Glozan and Maglic one playground was build for the youngest, and at Backi Petrovac 3 playgrounds for the youngest. They are supplied with safe equipment, and are situated at safe places.



1.6.3.2. Seniors

Presentations and discussion on injury risk and prevention in seniors are to be offered in Senior Club. A small group of young people is organized willing to help cleaning the streets during the winter in order to decrease possibility of slipping.

1.6.3.3. Sport

For children, also sport grounds are reconstructed, with proper lights, so that children can play during the night, especially in the summer.



Basket yard separated from street



Swimming pool separated from the street.



Football yard separated from the street. Tennis court separated from the street.

1.6.3.4. Environmental activities

The Backi Petrovac city is in special danger as daily approximately 6000 vehicles pass through the city center. Therefore, beside the traffic light which was build in 2005 anther traffic light will be build in the end of 2006. The project to build a road around the Backi Petrovac is completed. It should start as soon as money is available.



Canal in Backi Petrovac is under reconstruction. This will allow keeping the clean water in the canal.



Atmospheric water that all year round covers Backi Petrovac was by special canal merged with canal Danube - Tisa- Danube, by this significantly decreasing the number of mosquitoes and the possibility of spreading diseases lowered





Market place separated from the Main street.

Gun for putting the street dogs to sleep and safely remove them to reception point is bought.

Public action aimed to clean pedestrian's road and to shorten branches above the roads is taken. Pedestrians will be able to use road again and this will lower the possibility of people getting injured in the traffic



The project makes an effort to inform parents about the risk of injuries in small children at home. For this purpose, a series of small short lasting program on local radio and newspapers have started.



1.6.4. Indicator 4

Programs that documents the frequency and causes of injury

Injuries have special social-medical importance and characteristics that places them among the leading problems of nowadays pathology of global society. The consequences of injuries are great and diverse, and they can be categorized as tree basic types : health related, psychological and material. The injury prevention program is based upon tree main fields of society: legislation, education and technical-technological support. The implementation of injury prevention program stipulates a multidiscipline approach and active participation of all parts of local society.

For the end of 2006 and 2007 we set indicators of partial activities They are to:

- Increase number of bicycles with proper lights
- Minimize no of trailers without proper lights to minimal number
- Increase number of pedestrian road free of grass and vegetables, and without danger braches
- Increase safety of crossing the road in front of the schools

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1.6.5. Indicator 5

Evaluation measures to assess their programs, processes and the effects of change

The main indicator of effectiveness of the safe Community Project are data of injuries rate from Backi Petrovac ambulances added with selected data from official statistics. The data will be follow quarterly and they will be compared with previous frequency.

- Numbers per year: 1.786
- Population base: 14.681
- 121, 66 injuries per 1.000 people per year

The most frequent causes of injury at Municipality of Backi Patria are injuries caused by work at field and with vegetables. At Health Centre Backi patria there is an evidence about this injuries. Our volunteer collected all injuries which occurred at Municipality in the past year. During 2007 there will be prospective collecting of the data. The questionnaire will be given to healthy centers. Health workers will fulfill questionnaire about the persons injured, type of injury, and cause of injury, expected consequences.

The total registered morbidity at the Health Care General Medicine is 14.681. Injuries, poisoning and external factors activities consequences take the 4th pace in 1000 cases or 6, 81% of the total morbidity. Specific, non-specific and multiple injuries were registered in 746 cases, burns in 62 and broken long extremities bones 51.

Total of registered morbidity in Health Care Occupational Medicine is 2.166. Injuries, poisoning and external factors activities consequences take the 5th place with 216 cases or 7, 16%.

Morbidity of the preschool children at the Children Health Care Service is 4.984 so the each child between 0 to 6 years of age has approximately 5, 2 diagnosticated illness. With the preschool children injuries present less than 3% of total morbidity. With the pupils and youth, the total morbidity registered amounts up to 5.703, i.e. approximately 3 diagnosticared illnesses. Injuries, poisoning and external factors activities consequences with the school children and youth amount to 380 cases or 6, 66% of the total morbidity

Injuries, poisoning and external factors activities consequences amount to 5% of total Backi Petrovac population mortality and take the 4th place as the causes of dying.

1.6.6. Indicator 6

Regular participation in activity of the national and international network of the safe community

From the founding, at Backi Petrovac Municipality there were several conferences with participation of partners in the occasion of the national day without accident.

The conference was opened to all interested people. The project was presented at :

- Conference at Municipality at Backi Petrovac
- Women organization in Kulpin
- Women's organization at Glozan
- Women's organization Backi Petrovac
- Meeting of primary school at Backi retrieval
- Gymnasium of Backi Petrovac
- Local radio newspaper and TV

Preliminary results of the safe community were presented at Safe Community Conference at Bergen, Norway (2005) and ECOSA Conference, Vienna, Austria (2006). with following articles:

- Title: Motivation of citizens of Novi Sad for injury prevention
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