

Roads rehabilitation in Oslare improving communication and cooperation



Rehabilitation of regional road Oslare – Nesalce



Internal road rehabilitation: Oslare – Levosoje

OSLARE, SERBIA – Through the USAID-funded Community Revitalization through Democratic Action (CRDA), community residents and CHF International are asphaltting roads in Oslare and neighboring villages in Bujanovac municipality in order to address priority infrastructure needs and reinforce cooperation between local Serbs and Albanians.

The priority of the Community Development Council (CDC) in Oslare, multiethnic village in Bujanovac municipality, was rehabilitation of the road that passes through the center of Oslare village. The 700m road leading from Levosoje to the Serbian elementary school in Oslare was dotted with large holes and has been damaged by water. 2,000 inhabitants of Oslare and Levosoje can easily reach their fields now and travel to neighboring villages. Children can now easily reach the school.

CHF also supported rehabilitation of the road from Oslare to Nesalce, a section of a regional road that runs along western Bujanovac municipality and connects to Presevo municipality. The road was asphalted 20 years ago and the

traffic flow was difficult and often disrupted because lack of proper maintenance has left it damaged in many places.

This 2.2km road from Oslare to Nasalce is very important for many villages. It connects the villages in two municipalities - Bujanovac and Presevo. Before renovation, it was an obstacle for villagers and proper traffic flow. Asphalt coating of the road has been damaged by water and frequent traffic. Holes and cracks were all over the road making traffic slow and driving conditions difficult and dangerous.

Along with the community, CHF has realized significant accomplishments in Oslare: cleaning the Slatina riverbed and improved roads that connect people within and out of Oslare. The road has improved the standard of living in these villages and gives citizens hope that they can achieve many more improvements through community action.

Oslare is a peaceful village, with cooperative residents. People in Oslare realize they have important jobs to do and the support and resources to accomplish them.