







PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING IN THE EAST OF UKRAINE – INTEGRATION FOR DEVELOPMENT



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The project for support of the implementation and development of the Participatory Budgeting in 5 cities and 5 amalgamated territorial communities in Zaporizka, Dnipropetrovska and Kharkivska oblasts.

5 cities: 5 ATCs:

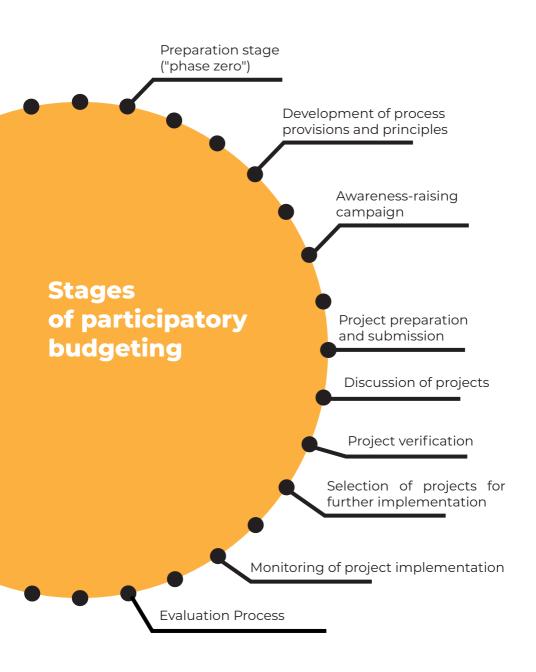
Kryvyi Rih Prymorska ATC
Kamyanske Chernihivska ATC
Melitopol Tomakivska ATC
Chuguiv Shyrokivska ATC
Pervomaiskyy Novovodolazka ATC

Project goal – to initiate the implementation and to improve Participatory Budgeting in cities and ATCs.

The project was implemented by PAUCI, Polish-Ukrainian Cooperation Foundation within the framework of the Project "Strengthening Ukrainian Communities Hosting Internally Displaced Persons", one of the Initiatives for the Infrastructure Program for Ukraine implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ GmbH) commissioned by the Government of Germany.

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Participatory Budgeting is a democratic process, in which:

citizens develop and offer to authorities their projects

citizens make their own decision which exactly projects will be implemented

the task of governmental authorities – to implement projects, chosen by the citizens

participation of community facilitates taking into consideration the needs of various social groups, as well as residents of various territories.

Fundamental principles of the Participatory Budgeting



The results are obligatory for implementation



Transparency and openness



Inclusiveness



Provision of meeting-places for hearings (debates) with the citizens



Support of citizens' proactive attitude



Strategic perspective thinking

Participatory Budgeting in the East of Ukraine – Integration for Development

Who implements the project and what is the project duration?

The project was implemented by a group of PAUCI experts within the framework of the Project "Strengthening Ukrainian Communities Hosting Internally Displaced Persons", one of the Initiatives for the Infrastructure Program for Ukraine implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ GmbH) commissioned by the Government of Germany from January 2018 till June 2019

Which support was provided to cities and communities within the framework of the project?

Around 100 events were conducted: trainings, workshops, forums and consulting meetings on the issues of implementation and development of Participatory Budgeting. More than 2.5 thousand communities residents took part in these events. Also, a financial support was provided for informational campaign conduction. The main subject of the trainings: key stages and principles of participatory budget, preparation and implementation of the participatory budgeting procedure at all stages, moderation of events, preparation of projects, evaluation and improvement of the procedure.

Which main data are indicative of positive dynamics and effectiveness of the project?

+63%

Financing of participatory budgeting

18.46

million UAH

in 2017

30.12

million UAH

in 2018

+80%

Number of submitted projects

281

projects

in 2017

508

projects

in 2018

+67%

Number of chosen projects to be implemented 80

projects in 2017

140

projects

in 2018

+50%

Number of residents, who gave their votes

77 877 | 155 413

in 2017

in 2018

What are subject matters of the projects submitted by the residents in the cities and ATCs?

5 cities		5 ATCs
3%	Medicine	9%
33%	Infrastructure	46%
13%	Sports	11%
18%	Education	4%
4 %	Culture and tourism	14%
6%	Energy efficiency	1%
17%	Social protection	0%
0%	Pedestrian areas and embankments	5%
5%	Other	11%

What are the project results for various stakeholders?

Local government

additional financial resources for the promotion of the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PB}}$

knowledge on participation, facilitation

events moderation skills

conflict prevention and resolution mechanism between the citizens and local government authorities

development of a dialogue form of cooperation

Local residents

awareness of participation in local budgeting

awareness of the structure of local governmental authorities

senior pupils became more active

NGOs

engagement in the PB working groups increasing influence in decision making process

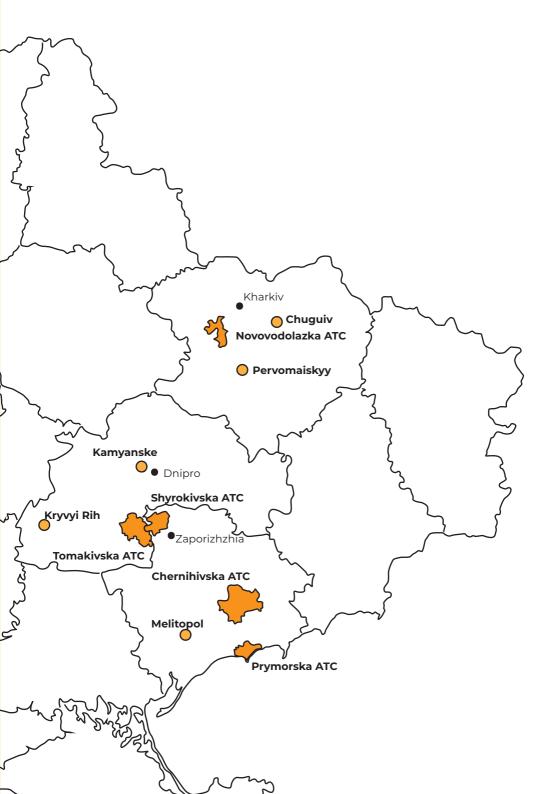
Internally displaced persons

got new instrument to participate in public life

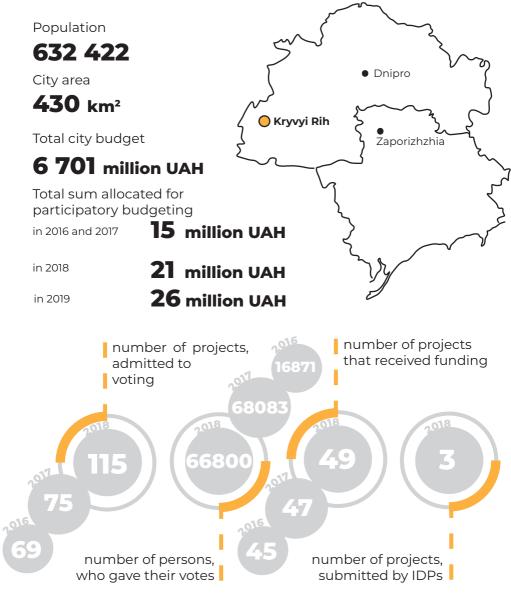
participation in working groups on implementation of the Participatory Budgeting

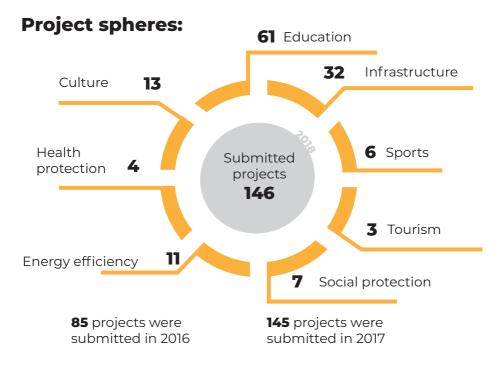
opportunity to submit projects and to vote





KRYVYI RIH (DNIPROPETROVSKA OBLAST)





Achievements:

A sector of Participatory Budgeting was created in the department of economics.

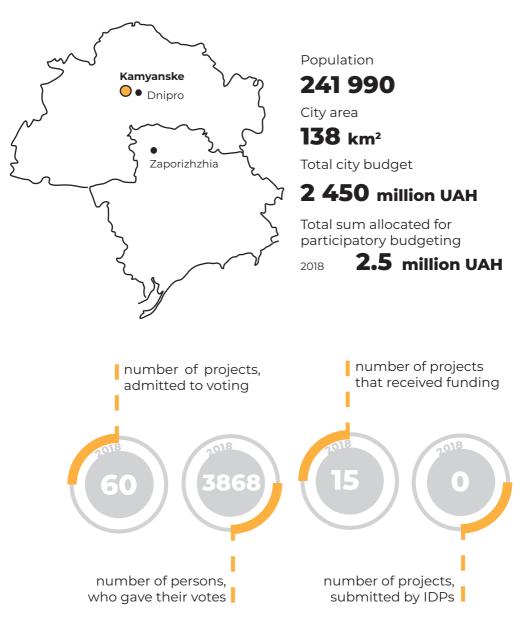
The sum for Participatory Budgeting project was increased from 15 million UAH in 2017 to 21 million UAH in 2018.

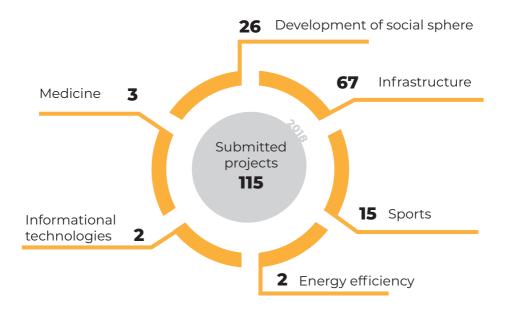
The procedure of approval of projects by district councils before the submission was canceled.

The sum of co-financing of projects for NGOs was decreased from 25% to 15%, for individual residents – from 10% to 5%. For persons under 18 years of age, co-financing is not required.

New types of projects were formed out: educational, municipal and youth.

KAMYANSKE (DNIPROPETROVSKA OBLAST)





Achievements:

The quality of projects submitted by residents increases. Thus, in 2018, positive conclusion as a result of evaluation was given to 60 projects; in 2019 – to 104 projects (with the same total number of submitted projects).

Coordination Board of the Participatory Budgeting included a representative of IDP NGO.

Number of persons, who gave their votes for the PB projects increased 5 times: from 3858 persons in 2018 to 20 800 persons in 2019.

MELITOPOL (ZAPORIZKA OBLAST)



Population

153 992

City area

49.66 km²

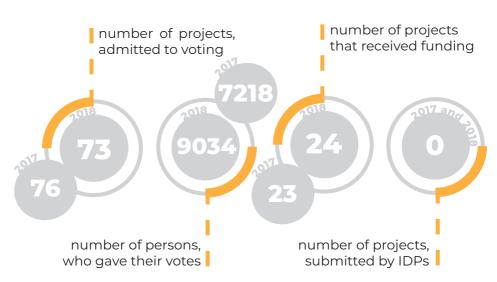
Total city budget

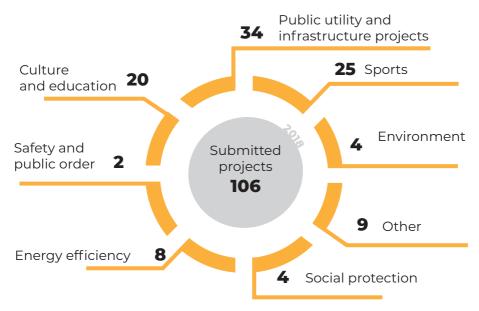
1285 million UAH

Total sum allocated for participatory budgeting

in 2017 **2.6** million UAH

in 2018 **3** million UAH





90 projects were submitted in 2017

Achievements:

Working group on evaluation of the Participatory Budgeting was created and included a representative of IDP NGO. Evaluation methodology was developed.

Number of residents, who voted for projects, increased by 25%.

New version of Regulation on participatory budgeting was approved.

Expenditures for the Participatory Budgeting increased from 3 million UAH to 3 million 300 thousand UAH.

CHUGUIV (KHARKIVSKA OBLAST)



Population

33 104

City area

12.77 km²

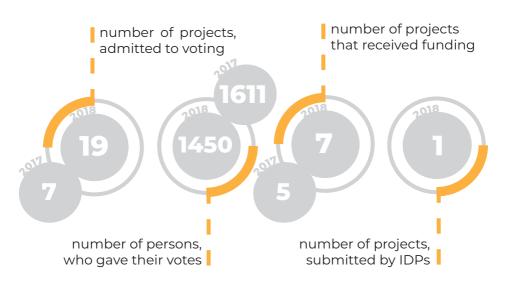
Total city budget

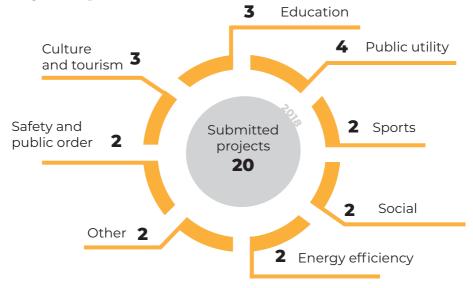
357 million UAH

Total sum allocated for participatory budgeting

in 2017 360 000 UAH

in 2018 420000 UAH





12 projects were submitted in 2017

Achievements:

Citizens aged 14 and above has a right to submit projects and to give their votes.

Number of signatures required for supporting a project was decreased from 50 to 15.

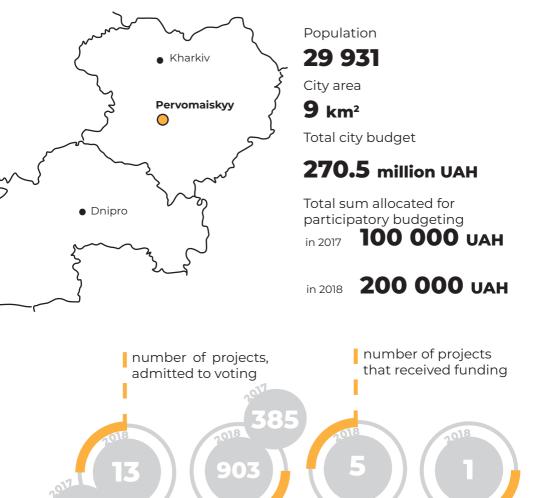
The competencies of the working group on the Participatory Budgeting were established.

The sum for participatory budgeting increased from 320 thousand UAH to 800 thousand UAH.

Maximum cost of a small project increased from 50 thousand UAH to 60 thousand UAH.

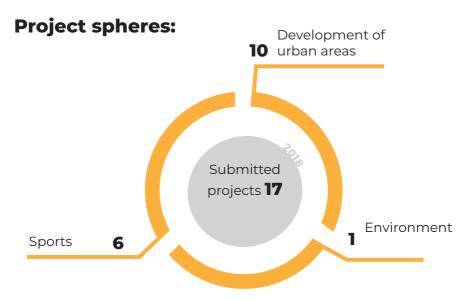
Maximum cost of a big project increased from 80 thousand UAH to 100 thousand UAH.

PERVOMAISKYY (KHARKIVSKA OBLAST)



number of persons, who gave their votes

number of projects, submitted by IDPs



14 projects were submitted in 2017

Achievements:

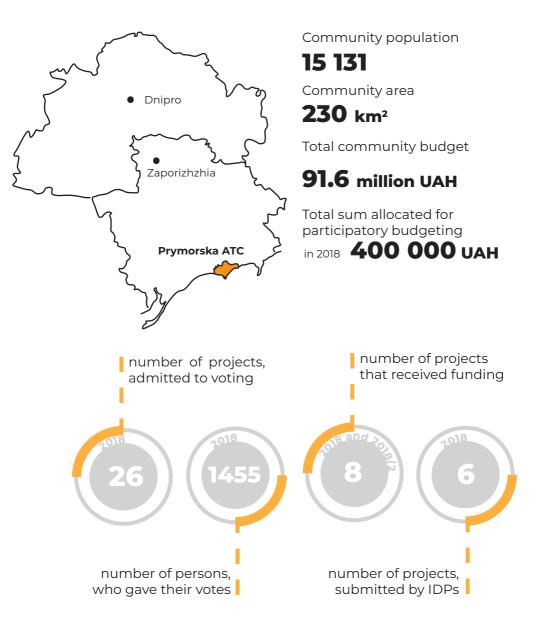
The Regulation as supplemented with a clause, allowing the project author to improve his/her application after the submission.

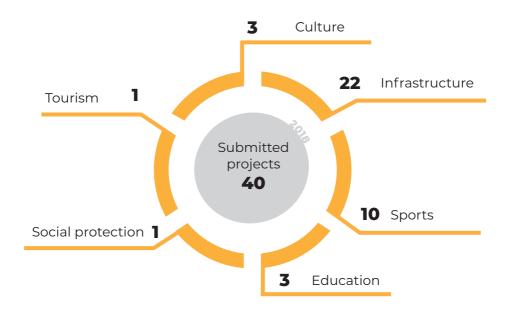
Most projects were submitted by senior pupils of secondary schools of the city.

Total amount of the Participatory Budgeting was increased from 100 thousand UAH to 200 thousand UAH.

Maximum cost of a project increased from 20 thousand UAH to 40 thousand UAH.

PRYMORSKA ATC (ZAPORIZKA OBLAST)





Achievements:

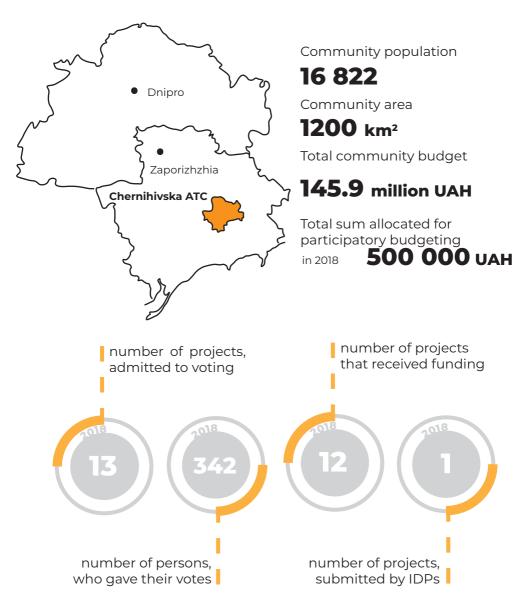
Cancellation of obligatory co-financing by project authors.

Increase in number of projects submitted by IDPs by 100% in comparison with previous stage (20% of total number of submitted projects).

Strengthening of engagement of NGOs in informational campaign arrangements.

"Participatory Budgeting" program was created on TV-channel Prymorsk 24.

CHERNIHIVSKA ATC (ZAPORIZKA OBLAST)





Achievements:

Money intended for participatory budgeting was divided in equal parts among Starosta Districts and Administrative Center of the community.

Age limit for participation in the Participatory Budgeting (authorship, support, voting) was shifted from 16 to 14 years in the second year of the PB.

The procedure for open voting for project in each Starosta Districts was implemented.

9 of 11 Starosts took part in the process of implementation of the Participatory Budgeting.

TOMAKIVSKA ATC (DNIPROPETROVSKA OBLAST)



Community population

14 826

Community area

623.8 km²

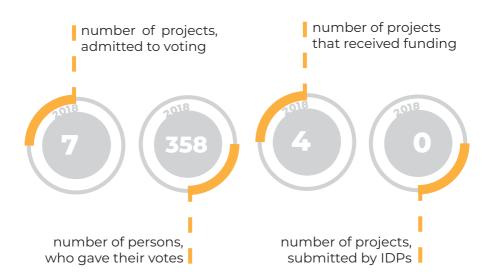
Total community budget

107.4 million UAH

Total sum allocated for participatory budgeting

in 2018

300 000 UAH



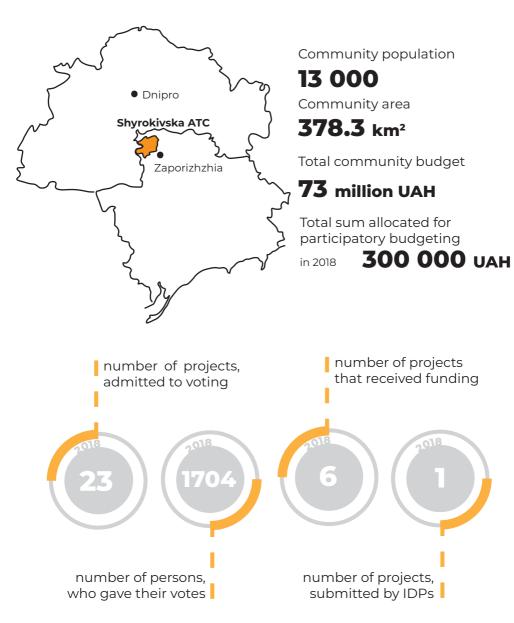


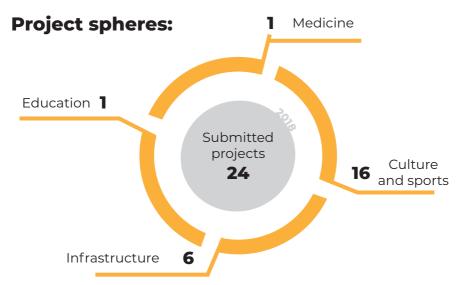
Achievements:

11 projects from ATCs residents were submitted to the PB, 6 of them are projects, defined as prioritized during public hearings in each Starosta District.

In urban type village Tomakivka, the winner was chosen by direct voting.

SHYROKIVSKA ATC (ZAPORIZKA OBLAST)





Achievements:

Amendments were introduced to the Regulation (the PB participant shall be 14 years old and above, sum limit for project – UAH 50 000).

Engagement of Starostas, neighborhood committees, moderators in promotion of the PB.

24 projects were submitted (considering that this ATC is the smallest in the project).

Almost 15% of residents gave their votes.

Engagement of starostas, neighbourhood committees, moderators in promotion of the PB.

3 projects, that were submitted but did not receive the financing within participatory budgeting, were implemented.

Case of a success due to social cohesion: in some settlement, 6 projects were submitted. At general public meeting, residents laid out priorities and united behind 2 projects, which further got the financing within participatory budgeting.

NOVOVODOLAZKA ATC (KHARKIVSKA OBLAST)



Community population

18 996

Community area

351.6 km²

Total community budget

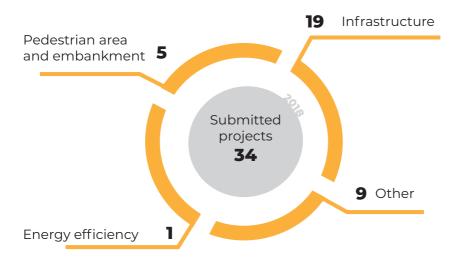
160 million UAH

Total sum allocated for participatory budgeting

in 2018 **1.5** million UAH



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Achievements:

The sum, released for the financing of the PB projects, was tripled: from 500 to 1500 000 UAH

Starostas' offices are functioning as PB consulting centers.

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