

NARRATIVE REPORT
on the implementation of project
“Support to institutional capacity building of amalgamated community”
Reporting period (February 01 – October 31, 2017)

I. Brief Project description

According to Grant Agreement between NGO “Civil Society Institute” (CSI) and Westminster Foundation for Democracy and Supplement to this Grant Agreement project “Support to institutional capacity building of amalgamated community” has been launched in period of February 01 – October 31, 2017.

Goal of this project is to support to institutional capacity building of amalgamated community.

Project tasks:

1. Institutional and organizational support to community after its amalgamation.
2. Assistance in territorial and strategic planning.

II. Project implementation

In February 2017 CSI has announced the competition for amalgamated hromadas on implementation of the project “Support to institutional capacity building of amalgamated community” and started collection of proposals and cover letters from amalgamated hromadas. In March 14 CSI has conducted the selection of 6 applied amalgamated hromadas. Competition Committee consisted of:

- 1) Chief of the Department for Local Self-Government, Ministry of Regional Development, Construction and Housing of Ukraine;
- 2) Leader of CoE Programme “Decentralization and Territorial Consolidation in Ukraine”;
- 3) Member of Association for Amalgamated hromadas;

- 4) Head of NGO “Civil Society Institute”;
- 5) Director for Science and Development, NGO “Civil Society Institute”;
- 6) Programme Manager, NGO “Civil Society Institute”;
- 7) Expert on Finance and Budgeting, NGO “Civil Society Institute”.

Based on results of presentation by the representatives of nominated amalgamated hromadas about their hromadas – Baranivska town amalgamated hromada situated in Zhytomyrska Oblast (Region) has been selected as the most attractive considering its potential and readiness of local power to be engaged to the project. More details about this event: <http://www.csi.org.ua/vidbuvsya-finalny-vsdbir-gromady/>

No.	Objective	Outcomes
1.	Institutional and organizational support to community after its amalgamation	Local self-government employees and deputies of amalgamated community council have been educated and institutionally and organizationally supported to develop community capacity.
	Activities	Outputs
	1.1. On request of the Head of Baranivska AH Mr. Anatoliy Dushko within the organization of Working Group meeting on Strategic Development (April 5, 2017) project team and CSI experts assisted to expert support to starting process of delegation of primary healthcare services from rayon (district) level to basic (AH) level. Specially invited CSI expert on healthcare Zoriana Chernenko (PhD, senior lecturer of the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy and Bogomolets National Medical University, Chief of the Healthcare School under the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, specialist on law regulation of healthcare in Ukraine).	1.1. Baranivska AH has been consulted on aspects of primary healthcare management on basic level and obtained support to undergoing the procedure of delegation from district level to level of AH. Baranivska AH before its amalgamation did not have any experience on delivering the medical services. These functions were provided by Baranivska Rayon (District) Council. But taking into account that after amalgamation in Baranivska AH there is no sense to provide medical services by Baranivska Rayon Council because all villages and settlements that were under rayon level have been united in Baranivska AH. That’s why this issue on providing the medical services became so sharp for Baranivska AH and needed to be solved

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	1.2. Consultative meeting (April 27, 2017) with the deputy Head of Baranivska amalgamated hromada Mrs. Oksana Zagorska and secretary of Working Group on Strategic Development Mrs. Nataliya Svinsitska.	1.2. In Kyiv in CSI office working meeting with the representatives of Baranivska AH. CSI experts (Mr. Anatoliy Tkachuk, Mr. Oleg Vatamaniuk and Mr. Markiyan Datsyshyn) presented Package of local legal acts of amalgamated communities. Parties discussed the first top priority of local legal acts have to be approved to provide efficient functioning of amalgamated community.
	1.3. Consultative meeting (May 24, 2017) with the Head of Baranivska amalgamated hromada Mr. Anatoliy Dushko and his deputy Mrs. Oksana Zagorska.	1.3. Consultative meeting was aimed at discussion of conduction of target group surveys (citizens, local business and youth) in Baranivska AH. Deputy Head of Baranivska amalgamated hromada Mrs. Oksana Zagorska presented processed survey data on prospect visions and problems of development of Baranivska AH related to Development Strategy. CSI experts Mr. Anatoliy Tkachuk and Mr. Markiyan Datsyshyn stressed on completion of surveys before the 2-day training planned in the first decade of July 2017. Results of surveys were presented by CSI expert Mr. Markiyan Datsyshyn within the 2-day training held in Baranivka in July 12, 2017.
	1.4. Two-day training for representatives of executive committee of amalgamated community council and council deputies http://www.csi.org.ua/11-12-lypnya-vidbudetsya-dvodennyj-trening-rozumne-zrostannya-ob-yednanoyi-terytorialnoyi-gromady-vyklyky-strategichnomu-planuvannyu/ http://mrada-	1.4. In July 11-12, 2017 two-day training was conducted in Baranivska amalgamated hromada. 55 participants took part in this training. Participants were trained on such topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic planning in amalgamated hromada; • Local economic development in rural territories as a key component of strategy development process. Involvement of householders to entrepreneurship (trained

<p>baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/1961-stratehichne-planuvannia-vazhlyvyi-krok-do-staloho-rozvytku-hromady</p> <p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/1963-treninh-z-pytan-stratehichnoho-planuvannia-prodovzhuie-svoiu-robotu</p>	<p>by the UK experts);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of local groups affiliated with economic and rural development. Formation of local organic agroproduction cluster (trained by the UK experts); • Budget of amalgamated hromada: opportunities to increase and smart use of finances; • Mobilization of inner resources of amalgamated hromada; • Communication and cooperation in amalgamated hromada. <p>Within the training Working Group meeting was held (more details in p. 2.3.).</p>
<p>1.5. Presentation of Development Strategy of Baranivska amalgamated hromada 2020, Territorial panning scheme of Baranivska amalgamated hromada and Brand-Book in Zhytomyr City (October 31, 2017)</p> <p>http://www.csi.org.ua/31-zhovtnya-vidbudetsya-prezentatsiya-strategiyi-rozvytku-baranivskoyi-miskoyi-ob-yednanoyi-terytorialnoyi-gromady-ta-shemy-planuvannya-yiyi-terytoriyi/</p> <p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/2160-u-zhytomyri-prezentuvaly-stratehiu-rozvytku-baranivskoi-miskoi-obiednanoi-terytorialnoi-hromady</p> <p>http://decentralization.gov.ua/news/7466</p> <p>http://decentralization.gov.ua/news/7459</p> <p>http://reporter.zt.ua/news/26088-baranivska-oth-pershoiu-v-ukraini-</p>	<p>All amalgamated hromadas of Zhytomyr region participated in this event as well as the Head of Zhytomyr Regional Council Mr. Volodymyr Shurma who outlined that each hromada should have Development Strategy and Territorial Planning Scheme that were basic documents for sustainable development.</p> <p>After presentations on Development Strategy and Territorial Planning Scheme Mr. Anatoliy Tkachuk stressed that development of hromada in synchronous strategic and spatial planning responds on “what, when and where has to be done in hromada”.</p> <p>Presentation of Brand-Book aroused much interest among participants because due to this Project Baranivska amalgamated hromada is the first hromada in Ukraine that has full package of its self-presentation for Ukrainian investors and abroad ones.</p> <p>Defined priorities of strategic development and ability to spatial planning and opportunity to present hromada as a local self-government unit with its own branding promote to be attractive to investments.</p>

	<p>prezentovala-stratehiiu-rozvytku-z-prostorovym-planuvanniam-y-brenduvanniam-terytorii</p> <p>Video of Presentation https://www.facebook.com/csi.org.ua/videos/1629540703733895/ https://www.facebook.com/csi.org.ua/posts/1629519253736040 https://www.facebook.com/csi.org.ua/posts/1630660000288632</p>	<p>P.S. The next day after Presentation the Head of Baranivska amalgamated community Mr. Anatoliy Dushko got the proposal to construct organic meat farm in the territory of Baranivska amalgamated hromada as a new organic cluster.</p>
2.	Assistance in territorial and strategic planning.	<p>Adopted midterm development strategy will provide sustainable local economic development and additional capacity to get funding from the State Regional Development Fund through the preparation of regional development projects and manage territorial planning process (long-term outcome).</p> <p>Adopted elaborated territorial planning scheme of its territory increases its investment attractiveness and land resources management (long-term outcome).</p>
	Activities	Outputs
	<p>1.6. First Work Group meeting on Strategic Development (April 7, 2017)</p> <p>http://www.csi.org.ua/startovala-robota-nad-strategiyeyu-rozvytku-baranivskoyi-ob-yednanoyi-gromady/</p> <p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/1743-rozpochato-robotu-nad-stratehichnym-planuvanniam-rozvytku-baranivskoi-miskoi-obiednanoi-terytorialnoi-hromady</p>	<p>It was the first public event within the project. CSI experts Mr. Anatoliy Tkachuk and Mr. Markiyan Datsyshyn presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Socio-economic Analysis of the VTAH; • Primary survey results; • Scenario of VTAH development. <p>Also experts trained participants how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • define the hromada's development strategic vision; • scan the prior problems in hromada; • make SWOT-analysis. <p>At the end of this event participants were</p>

		tasked to prepare to the next working group meeting their hromada development strategic visions, defined prior problems in hromada and completed SWOT-analysis.
	1.7. Skype-Conference with young people – school senior students (April 13, 2017)	CSI expert Mr. Markiyan Datsyshyn presented Project goal and tasks and discussed with school senior pupils their vision of strategic development of Baranivska amalgamated hromada. They shared their opinions on ways and priorities of hromada development: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How they see further steps of development; - What local power has to do to create opportunities for their self-realization of personal potential in profession and career; - Which kind of distribution of youth can be made to stay in hromada and commit them to development of community (hromada)?
	1.8. First Working Group meeting on Spatial Development (May 5, 2017) http://www.csi.org.ua/rozpochalasya-robota-nad-rozrobkoyu-shemy-planuvannya-terytoriyi-baranivskoyi-otg/ http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/1833-rozpochato-robotu-nad-rozrobkoiu-skhemy-planuvannia-terytorii-baranivskoi-oth	It was the first public event within the project. Experts of State Enterprise “UKRNDPICIVILBUD” presented fundamental basis of spatial planning for the members of working group on spatial planning. After this presentation further activities within the working group were defined. Members of Working Group were charged to collect benchmark data necessary for preparation of Territorial Planning scheme. In June 08, 2017 Decision on Design of Territorial Planning Scheme was adopted by the Council of Baranivska amalgamated community within the 7 th Session.
	1.9. Working meeting on design of Territorial Planning scheme (June 14, 2017) http://mrada-	This working meeting was aimed at design of topographic map 1:10000 as a part of Territorial Planning scheme with the experts of the State Enterprise “UKRNDPICIVILBUD”.

	<p>baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/1929-rozrobliaietsia-topohrafichna-karta-hromady</p>	
	<p>1.10. Second Working Group meeting on Strategic Development within the 2-day training (July 12, 2017)</p> <p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/1743-rozpochato-robotu-nad-stratehichnym-planuvanniam-rozvytku-baranivskoi-miskoi-obiednanoi-terytorialnoi-hromady</p>	<p>CSI experts Mr. Anatoliy Tkachuk and Mr. Markiyan Datsyshyn presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final updated survey results; • Scenario of VTAH development. <p>Also experts trained participants how to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • define the hromada's development strategic vision; • use existing inner resources in hromada to increase attractiveness of hromada (recreational and industrial potential); • scan the prior problems in hromadas. <p>After current finalizing of the SWOT-analysis and survey results draft Development Strategy is expected to be designed (appr. in the second part of September).</p>
	<p>1.11. Second Working Group meeting on Spatial Development (October 2, 2017)</p> <p>http://www.csi.org.ua/v-baranivtsi-vidbulosya-zavershalne-zasidannya-robochoyi-grupy-z-rozrobky-strategiyi-rozvytku-gromady-ta-shemy-planuvannya-terytoriyi-otg/</p> <p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/2104-robota-po-rozrobtsi-stratehichnoho-ta-prostorovoho-planiv-baranivskoi-hromady-tryvaie</p>	<p>2nd Working Group meeting was devoted to presentation of the Draft Territorial Planning Scheme and discussion on finalization of it before the preliminary adoption by the deputies of Baranivska amalgamated hromada council.</p>
	<p>1.12. Third Working Group meeting on Strategic Development (October 2, 2017)</p> <p>http://www.csi.org.ua/v-baranivtsi-vidbulosya-zavershalne-zasidannya-robochoyi-grupy-z-rozrobky-strategiyi-</p>	<p>Agenda of this final Working Group meeting included presentation of the Draft Development Strategy of Baranivska amalgamated hromada for 2020 and discussion on finalization of Draft Strategy with Projects Catalogue before the preliminary adoption by the deputies of</p>

	<p>rozvytku-gromady-ta-shemy-planuvannya-terytoriyi-otg/</p> <p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/2104-robota-po-rozrobtsi-stratehichnoho-ta-prostorovoho-planiv-baranivskoi-hromady-tryvaie</p>	<p>Baranivska amalgamated hromada council. Also participants have been presented with the Strategic and Operational aims and tasks trees of Development Strategy.</p>
		<p>Within these meetings CSI expert Mr. Markiyan Datsyshyn and Deputy Director of the State Enterprise “UKRNDPICIVILBUD” held a meeting with the heads of units for education and healthcare of Executive Committee of Baranivska amalgamated hromada to discuss optimization of the educational and healthcare network in hromada.</p>
<p>1.13. The 12th Session of Baranivska amalgamated hromada council (October 27, 2017)</p>	<p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/2156-12-sesiia-8-sklykannia-baranivskoi-miskoi-rady</p> <p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/images/documents/2017/2017-10-27sesia12.pdf (2nd and 3rd pages – Decisions on preliminary adoption of these documents)</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/csi.org.ua/posts/1626079500746682</p>	<p>During this Session its deputies have preliminary adopted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development Strategy of Baranivska amalgamated hromada 2020 with the Projects Catalogue; - Territorial Planning Scheme of Baranivska amalgamated hromada. <p>According to the Ukrainian national legislation final approval of Development Strategy of Baranivska amalgamated hromada 2020 and Territorial Planning Scheme of Baranivska amalgamated hromada will be done after public discussions/hearings that are planned to be held in November 15, 2017.</p> <p>After these procedures these documents are to be approved during the 13th Session of Baranivska amalgamated hromada council.</p>
<p>1.14. Public hearings on Development Strategy and Territorial Planning Scheme in Baranivska amalgamated community (November 15, 2017)</p>		<p>350 citizens of Baranivska amalgamated hromada participated in Public hearings. They were presented on Strategic and Operational aims and tasks trees of Development Strategy as well as new brand-book and heraldic symbol.</p>

	http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/2190-zhyteli-hromady-pohodyly-stratehiiu-rozvytku-ta-skhemu-planuvannia-baranivskoi-hromady	<p>After presentation all citizens approved Development Strategy and Territorial Planning Scheme.</p>
	<p>1.15. The 14th Session of Baranivska amalgamated hromada council (November 28, 2017)</p>	<p>In order to finally adopt Development Strategy of Baranivska amalgamated hromada 2020 the 14th Session Baranivska amalgamated hromada council is expected to be held in November 28. Draft Decision of Baranivska amalgamated hromada council is attached.</p> <p>According to the Ukrainian national legislation Territorial Planning Scheme before its final adoption by Baranivska amalgamated hromada council has to be undergone an expert review in the Ministry of Regional Development, Construction and Housing of Ukraine. After expert review signed Decision of Baranivska amalgamated hromada council will be sent.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Unexpected results</p>	<p>1. Information about Project activities on strategic and spatial planning funded by Westminster Foundation for Democracy implemented in Baranivska amalgamated hromada promoted to sign of Agreement with Council of Europe on implementation of the Project “Promotion to Development of Local Democracy in Ukraine” aiming at strengthening institutional capacity and leadership of elected local self-government officials and council deputies as well as involvement of citizens to local decision-making processes in hromada.</p> <p>http://mrada-baranivka.gov.ua/index.php/news1/1960-proekt-baranivskoi-miskoi-rady-finansuvatymera-rada-yevropy</p>

		<p>2. CSI got request to assist to Baranivska AH as the main applicant to EU project aimed at forming the center of organic cluster well-known not only with the milk production, but small fruit (berries) and such territory that is opened to development of farm business.</p> <p>In October 24, 2017 CSI received e-mail from the European Commission about the selection of the Project application “Youth-driven Organic Business Cluster in Baranivska amalgamated Community” to award of a contract. Now negotiations of preparing the contract are in process (letter of EU Commission is attached).</p> <p>Such award became a reality because of presence of the Development Strategy that had been pointed out as advantage during the review of full applications submitted by all applicants.</p>
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