







Become part of the Community Leadership Academy, a six-week program designed to prepare you to be organized and engaged in positive changes within your community.

The Academy program provides training and professional preparation through workshops, meetings and practical work, enabling you to develop skills for organizing and implementing community initiatives, as well as building a network with other activists and professionals. It is a unique experience developed by trainers with proven knowledge and expertise.

# WHERE AND WHEN WILL THE ACADEMY BE HELD?

The fourth cohort of the Academy will take place in Prizren and will last six weeks, starting from November until December 2024.

## WHO CAN APPLY?

All young people aged 18-24 from Kosovo are invited to apply for this transformative opportunity. Taking into consideration the location of the Academy, priority will be given to applicants from the Prizren region (municipality of Suhareka, municipality of Malisheva, municipality of Dragash and municipality of Mamusha).

The program is dedicated to young people who aspire to expand their knowledge and skills to contribute to the improvement of their community, whether in schools, neighborhoods or local organizations. Interested applicants must be willing and motivated to participate and complete the Academy program, benefiting from the opportunities available after its completion.

KCSF encourages inclusiveness from both gender and ethnic perspectives.

# **HOW TO APPLY?**

To have the chance to be one of the 25 selected participants who will embark on a new journey in learning and community activism, you need to complete the **APPLICATION FORM**.

Applications will be accepted until 6 October 2024, at 23:59.

The detailed Academy program will be shared with participants after selection.

### WHY SHOULD I APPLY?

Upon completing the Academy, you will gain knowledge about the fundamental principles of democracy and democratic development in Kosovo, including weaknesses, challenges and opportunities for further development, as well as the role of citizens in preserving and strengthening democracy.

You will be prepared in leadership and activism, including critical thinking, research, communication skills and expanding your network of supporters and community. You will learn how to conceptualize and compose an initiative to address an issue or need in your community, thus boosting your confidence in your ability to deliver positive changes in society.

Upon completion of the program, you will be granted a certificate and develop and implement original ideas for executing an initiative in your community.

### ABOUT THE CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY:

The Citizen Engagement Activity is a five-year initiative implemented by Kosovar Civil Society Foundation (KCSF) in partnership with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The aim of the partnership is to foster a culture of activism that makes life in our neighborhoods and cities better, caring, and meaningful. Through its mission, the program will carry out a number of activities based on three core pillars: community engagement, enhancing inter-societal trust and expanding the mobilization of new resources.

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