

# PEACESTORY: Empowering Creative Peacebuilders and Educators



## STRATEGIC PROGRAMME UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PEACEBUILDING FUND (PBF)

<b>THEMATIC AREAS:</b> Youth, Peace & Security Transitional Justice	<b>WHAT ARE WE TRYING TO ACHIEVE?</b> To empower a new generation of young peacebuilding leaders, strengthen the impact of existing peace activists, and equip educators with peace education skills. The goal is to foster a culture of creativity, reflection on the past, and constructive dialogue, ultimately ensuring a lasting impact through innovative peace education practices.
<b>DURATION:</b> September 2024 – Sept. 2026	<b>HOW?</b> The project consists of two key components: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1. Creative Peacebuilders:</b> Training and mentoring over 100 young people (ages 15–29) from 20 municipalities/cities across the country in creative storytelling and museum practices. Participants will create museum collections, curate exhibitions, and receive grants to implement exhibitions in their local communities.</li><li><b>2. Peace Education:</b> Training and mentoring over 240 teachers and peer educators from 30 municipalities/cities across the country to implement innovative peace education activities in schools, primarily using object-based learning methods.</li></ol>
<b>INVESTMENT:</b> USD 997,000	
<b>TARGET BENEFICIARIES:</b> Youth and teachers	
<b>WHERE:</b> 30+ local government units across the country.	<b>WHO IS INVOLVED?</b> <b>Signatory for BiH:</b> Ministry of Communications and Transport of BiH <b>Project led by:</b> War Childhood Museum Foundation <b>Implementing Partners:</b> Mozaik Foundation, Association of Highschool Students of BiH, NGO <i>Step by Step</i> , Kuma International
	<b>WHAT HAVE WE ACHIEVED SO FAR (until January 2025)?</b> <b>Creative Peacebuilders:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Participants from <b>49 cities/municipalities</b> selected through a public call.</li><li>Formed <b>41 school teams</b> from <b>35 municipalities</b>, with a coordination meeting held with school principals to align on project goals.</li><li>Completed selection of <b>31 individual teachers</b> via a second public call, followed by a <b>three-day training session</b>.</li></ul> <b>Peace education:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Established website, Instagram, and TikTok accounts; Instagram gained <b>1,500+ followers</b>.</li><li>Project featured in <b>45 media reports</b>, with additional promotion through youth networks and ASuBiH.</li><li><b>445 young people</b> from <b>59 municipalities</b> applied. Applications have passed two review rounds and are entering the final selection stage.</li></ul>

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