INTRODUCTION
Effects of the targeted one-off financial assistance on trends related to the poverty and inequality indicators

The Social Inclusion and Poverty Reduction Unit of the Government of the Republic of Serbia (SIPRU) has analysed the effects of the one-off financial assistance to targeted categories of the population on the trends related to the poverty and inequality of income and consumption indicators. The analysis is based on the data taken from the Survey on Income and Living Conditions (SILC 2017) and the Household Budget Survey (HBS 2018). The data analysed from the SILC 2017 refers to the population’s income, while the data from HBS 2018 refers to the population’s consumption.

SIPRU ACTIVITIES
Web Application: Material Support at the Local Level Intended for Vulnerable Persons and Families
Study Published on the Assessment of the Digital Accessibility Policies in the Republic of Serbia
The “Educational Circumstances of Children using Social Protection Services (Drop-In Centre, Day Care Centre, Respite Housing and Safe House) with a Focus on the Educational Circumstances during the COVID-19 Pandemic” Analysis Published
“Customer Communications Toolkit for the Public Service – A Universal Design Approach” Published
The Manual on Outreach Work has been Published – Organisation, Implementation and Development of Outreach Programmes
Raising the Capacities of Local Stakeholders for Further Advocacy of the Rights of Representatives of Vulnerable Groups in Local Communities Supported Through LIP 2
UNESCO Report on Global Education Monitoring for 2020 on Inclusion and Education Presented
Promotion Held for the Book “Romology”
Making Vaccines Equally Available to Everyone – Campaign to Inform the Roma Population About Immunisation Against Covid-19 has Begun

BLOG ON SOCIAL INCLUSION
Authoritative parents and disobedient children: from good intentions to dangerous outcomes

“I gave birth to you, so you will listen to me!” “You can’t say no to me!” “You have to listen to him – he’s older”, “As long as you live under my roof, it’s going to be as I say!”, “You don’t need to think, do as you’re told”. These are just some of the usual cliché phrases we have heard, lived through, used, or suffered. They are most frequently said by parents convinced that unconditional obedience in children is positive and necessary, but they are also used by educators, teachers, while later in life they can be heard in similar variations from mentors, bosses, partners…

SUCCESS STORY
Joining Forces to Define Support

“...it was clear that this engagement gave them purpose, it was not just another in a number of daily activities. Thus we could see first-hand the consequences of this crisis on their lives.”

At the onset of the state of emergency caused by the coronavirus in March 2020, civil society organisations were faced with the challenge of transforming their services and programmes to continue providing support to their beneficiaries. Organisations with programmes focused on providing support to persons with disabilities faced with particular challenges. Selahste Mirković, programme manager and coordinator of the personal assistant service of the humanitarian organisation “Dečje srce” from Belgrade, providing services to children and youth with development impairments, states: “We work with beneficiaries whose life is most often a state of emergency.” According to her, this crisis was an opportunity to find new ways and points of contact for connecting with families in need.