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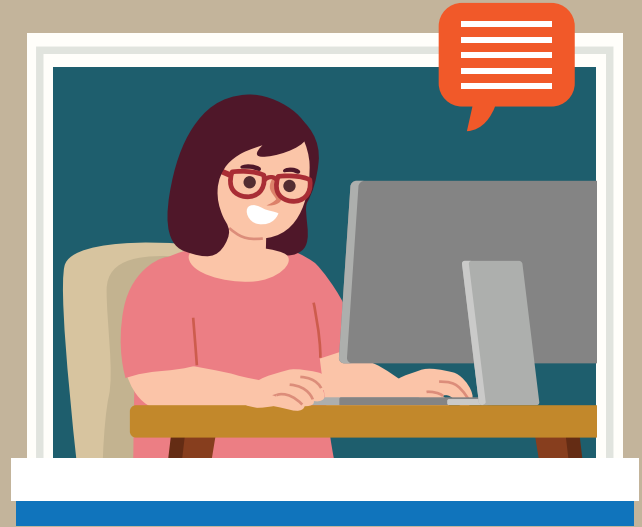
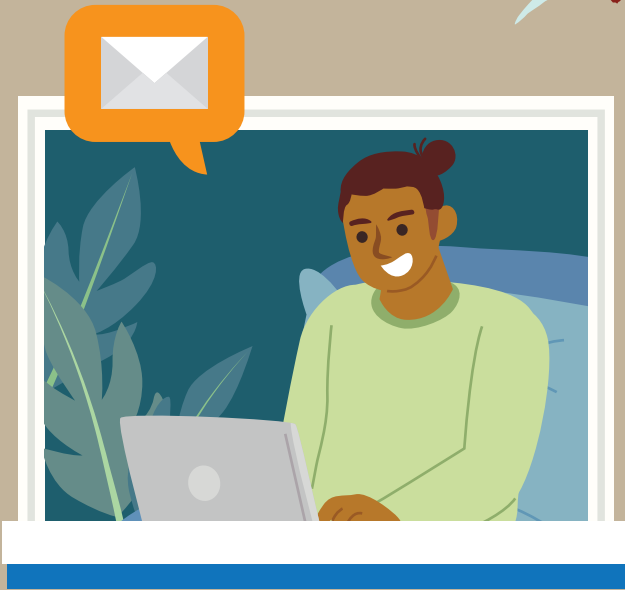


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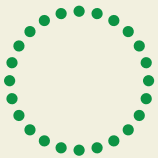
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Organizations responded to the questionnaire.

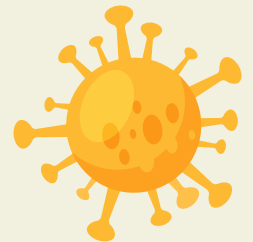
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Organizations participated in the focus group meeting.

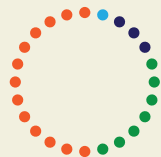
### Has the COVID-19 pandemic affected the work of your organization?



- 100% of youth organizations responded that the Covid-19 Pandemic has affected their work.



### How did your organization operated during the Quarantine period?

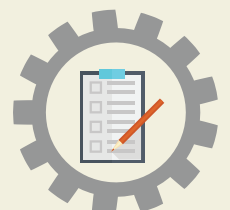


- 51.4% said they worked partially.
- 22.9% said that the work of the organization has been transformed online.
- 5.7% said that the activities were completed as planned.
- 2.9% said that the organization was closed.

### How did you implement project activities foreseen during the quarantine period?



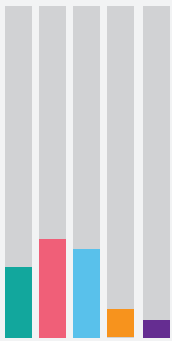
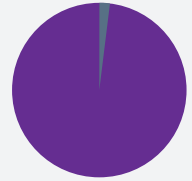
- 37.1% said that all activities were performed online.
- 31.4% said that all the activities were suspended.
- 14.3% said the activities were held as planned.
- 17.2% said that some activities were held with physical presence and some activities online.





## Has the COVID-19 Pandemic affected your organization having less funds?

- 94.3% said that the Pandemic has affected them to have less funds.
- 5.7% answered that the Pandemic did not affect the funds.

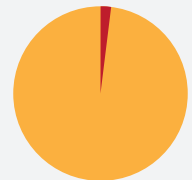


## If you have been operating with donor funding, what have been the main challenges:

- 22.6% said that the donor has cut funding for the organization.
- 32.3% said that the donor has enabled organization to change the budget, and transform into online activities.
- 29% said that the donor requested that the activities to be postponed for the indefinite period.
- 9.7% said that all the activities were held as planned.
- 6.4% said that they were not operating with funds.

## Has the Covid-19 Pandemic reduced your activity compared to previous years?

- 96.9% said they had less activities than in previous years.
- 3.1% said there was no impact on the volume of activities.









### Has the Covid-19 pandemic affected the number of employees in your organization unlike in previous years?

- 73.5% said that the COVID-19 Pandemic has affected on the number of employees.
- 8.8% said that the COVID-19 Pandemic did not affect the number of employees in the organization.
- 17.7% said they have been working voluntarily.

### Have you benefited from the financial assistance of the Government of Kosovo within the Emergency Package?

- 94.3% answered that they did not benefit from the financial assistance of the Government of Kosovo within the Emergency Package.
- 5.7% answered that they have benefited from the financial assistance of the Government of Kosovo within the Emergency Package.



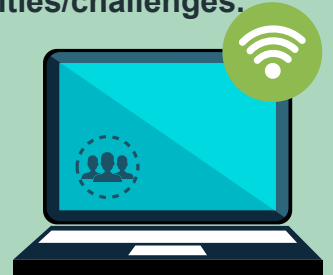




## CHALLENGES OF YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS IN TRANSFORMING TO ONLINE WORK

From the research results as well as from the focus group meeting the organizations that have transformed their work into online have listed these difficulties/challenges.

- Lack of equipment's – laptops/tablets for online meetings.
- Lack of internet among young people.
- Lack of motivation of young people to participate in online activities.

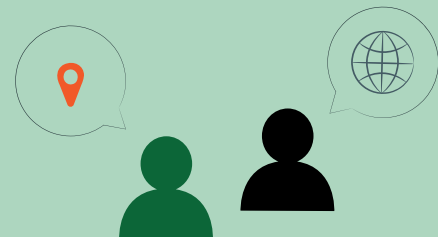


### Challenges of young people in the face of the Pandemic:

- Lack of psycho-social activities.
- Lack of counseling activities.

### How to address the needs of young people in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic:

- The internet should be free for young people.
- Providing laptops and tablets for young people to participate in online activities.
- Support youth organization's to transform their activities online.
- Support youth organizations who offer counseling services for youth on the impact of the pandemic on their mental health.





## RECOMMENDATION'S FOR DONOR'S TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS THAT THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC HAS HAD?

Programming of funds for youth organizations based on specific needs such as:

- Designing the programs based on the needs of organizations.
- Inter-institutional coordination with emphasis on the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports, with the Municipalities in the distribution of the funds equally for youth organizations from all municipalities of Kosovo.
- Organizations working with minority communities to have support.
- Free internet access.
- Programming institutional grants by having flexibility in activities and on the timeline of their implementation according to the Strategy of organizations.
- Ministry of Culture Youth and Sports to advocate to international donors for programming funds for youth organizations.
- More funding opportunities on the impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on mental health of young people in Kosovo.
- Providing free municipal space for youth organizations (purchase computers, and tablets for youth organizations).



The Government of Kosovo to develop a special package of assistance for youth organizations, which would increase youth employment.

The Government of Kosovo should include youth organizations in the package for economic recovery.







