

# **Grant Application Form**

Complete each question by entering your response in the relevant shaded area. Please do not adjust the font size from Times New Roman 11 point. Refer to the guideline for any clarifications.

# 1. Organisation

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Summarise your organisation's mission ( <i>maximum 75 words</i> ):  The WLC's mission is to ensure protection of women's human rights and contribute to reducing domestic violence and violence against women in Moldova. The WLC supports a human rights based approach and strives for change at the individual, community and systemic levels. The organization's activities and efforts focus on several strategic directions: policy advocacy, monitoring implementation of new laws and protection mechanisms; and providing legal services to women and children affected by domestic violence.  The mission of the National Coalition "Life without Domestic Violence" is to eliminate violence against women and children on a personal level and in society in Moldova and to contribute to the creation of a society without violence, centered on the promotion and respect of human rights of victims of domestic violence.					

**2. Principal Contact** (provide contact details for the person who will be Oak's main point of contact.)

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### 4. Project Overview

4a. Project Name:		Support to National Coalition "Life without Dividence in Moldova" to improve protection and children victims of domestic violence						
4b. Core Support: Yes:_/No:_		No						
4c. Grant period:	Start date: (dd/mon/yy)	01	01	2016	End date:	01	31	2019
4d. Currency:		USD						
4e. Total Project Cost:	300,000 L			4f. Total amount requested from Oak:		300,000 USD		

#### **4g.** Summarise the project's ultimate goal(s) (maximum 200 words):

To improve the overall response to domestic violence in the Republic of Moldova by strengthening the network of service providers to enable improved coordination, capacities, collective advocacy and improved quality services for victims of DV.

To increase the impact of the National Coalition "Life without Domestic Violence" by strengthening its institutional capacities and decision making mechanisms to advocate for reforms at legislative and institutional level, as well as building capacities of service providers based on commonly developed uniform standards of service provision to victims.

# 5. List the major countries where your activities take place. If this is global policy work, list as worldwide:

Republic of Moldova

#### **6. Context** (*The context section should not exceed two pages.*)

# 6a. Describe the organisation (include information on leadership, governance, structure and staff) and expected changes. (maximum 300 words):

The present proposal is submitted by the Women's Law Center (WLC) is a non-governmental organization that was registered in 2009 and started its activities in 2011. WLC was established by a number of women-lawyers from Moldova to ensure that a gender perspective is present during the law-making process and in the application of law, and that women and men are equal before the law. The Centre advocates for equal status opportunities for women and men in public life and within the family. The organization has been involved in the advocacy and development of effective legislation on gender equality and domestic violence and is supporting women exposed to domestic violence by providing legal counselling and representation. The WLC's mission is to ensure protection of women's human rights and combat domestic violence in Moldova. The WLC supports a human rights based approach and strives for change at the individual, community and systemic levels. The organization's activities and efforts focus on several strategic directions: policy advocacy, monitoring implementation of new laws and protection mechanisms, service provision and networking and coalition

#### building.

WLC has been funded since 2012 by the OAK Foundation, one of its main tasks being the establishment and coordination of the service-providers platform. The National Coalition started as a platform of service providers, under the leadership of the Women's Law Center and with the OAK support under its first grant in 2012, regular meetings and capacity building efforts have continued during 2012-2015. On 29 April 2014, 14 service providers (NGOs and public institutions) signed the Declaration of Principle for the establishment of the NC, being devoted to the idea of eliminating violence against women and children on a personal level and in society, with aim to contribute to the creation of a society without violence, centered on the promotion and respect of human rights of victims of family violence, in order the achieve the common agreed objectives. These common objectives, include inter alia: creation and development of standards of assistance for victims of DV, women and children; exchanging information to improve services; building individual organization's capacity and the Coalition's capacity to advocate for reforms; increasing the public awareness of domestic violence; advocacy and policy development to address the needs of women and children victims of DV and work with aggressors.

The NC in Moldova has developed naturally into a solid network comprising both leading NGOs as well as public institutions that are providing specialized services to children and women victims of DV as well as programs for batterers.

During 2012-2015 the NC managed to establish a Secretariat provided by the Women's Law Center, commonly developed and signed a Declaration of Principle for the Establishment of the NC (April 2014); developed and approved the NC Regulation (February 2015); elected the Board of the NC; benefited from numerous capacity building workshops. In 2015, other four organizations joined the NC, so at the moment there are 17 organizations in total.

# 6b. Describe the financial situation (include information on annual operating costs, fundraising strategy, reserves and debts) and expected changes. (maximum 300 words):

At the moment WLC is funded from one single source: foreign and international donor funds. The total amount of funds received by WLC during 2011-2016 is USD 896,980.00. WLC has recently developed a fundraising and financial sustainability strategy. This strategy is based on the WLC's strategic plan, expertise, development and growth plans, and availability of potential supporters. WLC considers that there are private companies that may be interested in funding awareness raising campaigns in the area of combating domestic violence. As the development of accreditation of services and public procurement procedure advances, WLC will consider applying for funds made available also through this system. Because the issues that the organization tries to address affect many individuals, there may also be some potential for fundraising from individuals. The fundraising plan is important for the WLC in order to organize and discipline this process and to ensure that the organization has the tools and capacity it needs to fundraise from different sources.

The National Coalition is not registered as an entity under national law, it exists as informal platform, at the moment it cannot properly fund-raise. The current project funds will be channelled through the WLC financial management until the moment when the NC decides to establish and register its own entity under the law. The financial support the NC has benefited so far, from other sources than the OAK Foundation are: the coalition building workshops organized with the support of the US Embassy in Moldova and with the participation of US experts in 2013 and 2014.

#### 6c. Describe the history and past achievements of the organisation. (maximum 300 words):

WLC is a new and ambitious organization that works on promoting women's human rights and combating domestic violence - a development field with many issues and needs. The organization's founders created the WLC and set a strong foundation from the beginning. The organization is currently in dynamic development. Thus in 2012-2015, due to OAK Core Support, WLC managed to establish its institutional policies, procedures and system that enable its stable functioning. WLC developed its financial management, accounting and procurement policy, as well as the human resources policy, anti-fraud and conflict of interests' policy as well as the re-granting policy. These policies include general guiding principles, detailed description for implementation, and necessary forms. The human resources management policy includes an organizational chart, describes the recruitment and hiring process, salary and benefits structure, volunteer management, organization of personnel files, job descriptions, staff performance evaluation, and other aspects related to managing human resources.

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Members of the NC participated in numerous public events, worked at the development and improvement of the national legal framework and policy in the field of DV(2013-2015); developed a draft National Plan of Action to prevent and Combat DV (July 2014) and advocated with women-members of the Parliament with one voice for the signature of Istanbul Convention during Public Political Forum in 2014 and 2015 and contributed to effective implementation and enforcement of existing legislation. Members of the NC received more than 10 capacity building workshops organized by the WLC as Secretariat, involving learning from best practices, including 2 three-days training courses conducted by Vermont Coalition, USA to solidify Coalition internal structures and policies (2013, 2014); Capacity building workshop for women shelters conducted by

WAVE (2013); 3 Service providers training "Theoretical and practical aspects in working with DV survivors" (2014); 3 Capacity building training courses on legal remedies (2013, 2014). WLC designed and implemented in partnership with WAVE "Capacity gap analysis study of the service providers working with women victim of DV (2014); 8 members of the Coalition, received small grants from OAK funds covering DV activities and services in: Causeni Maternal Center; Drochia Maternal Center; Drochia Center working with Batterers; Balti Maternal Center; Balti , NGO Sotis center; Balti , NGO the Honor and Rights Contemporary Women; Ungheni Maternal Center and the National Center for Training, Assistance and Counseling.

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### **6d. Describe the current strategy of the organisation.** (maximum 300 words):

According to WLC strategy, the organization is pleading for ensuring protection of women's rights and contributing to ending violence against women and domestic violence in Moldova. The WLC supports a human rights based approach and strives for change at the individual, community and system levels. The organization's activities and efforts focus on several strategic directions: policy advocacy, monitoring implementation of new laws and protection mechanisms, service provision and networking and coalition building. Given the WLC expertise in the legal field, its work is focused on the legal empowerment of women, enabling change from passive victims to right holders, powerful enough to hold responsible actors accountable to human rights standards. WLC believes that change is a complex, continuous and transparent process based on interaction and participation. WLC believes that behavioural change is key to an effective response to cases of domestic violence, that is why great emphasis is placed on raising awareness, education and promoting transformative thinking among its partners and participants, as WLC is aware of the effect that attitudes can have on the plight of women escaping domestic violence.

The NC is in the process of developing its own Strategy, thus the present Project proposal in one of its first activities will focus on developing a fully-fledged Strategy for the National Coalition. At the moment, the Strategy of the NC is based on the Declaration of Principles signed by the founding members in April 2014, namely: creation of uniform service standards; exchanging information to improve services; Building individual organization's capacity and the coalition's capacity; increasing the public's awareness of domestic violence; to lobby and advocate for development of policy to address the needs of beneficiaries and aggressors.

NC believes that focusing its work on networking and coalition building among victim support services in the field of violence against women/domestic violence is key to achieving a coherent approach to ending domestic violence. A network of help organizations is a prerequisite for the elimination of violence against women. Such a network is also necessary for meaningful prevention work by the police, courts and social, health and educational institutions, which need women's organizations as partners for counselling and supporting the women and children affected by domestic violence.

## 6e. What problems are you addressing? What are the opportunities and challenges in addressing these problems? (maximum 600 words):

Domestic violence (DV) is one of the most serious forms of gender-based violence in Moldova and is caused, amongst others, by inequalities in gender power and position. According to the National Survey "Violence against Women in the Family" 1 63% of women in Moldova experienced some type of violence (psychological, physical or sexual) from husband/partner during their lifetime. Rural, elderly women and those separated or divorced reported highest prevalence rate or multiple forms of violence.<sup>2</sup> Violence experienced by women mostly takes place within the "privacy" of their homes, this contributing to the existing "culture of silence" in this area. The general social perception, shared both by women and men is that a husband is justified in hitting or beating his wife, if she burns the food, if she argues with him, if she goes out without his approval or if she refuses to have sex with him.3 Most victims of domestic violence receive little response from government or society, with many viewing it as a normal part of private life. Few women report domestic violence because of these views, as well as mistrust in the legal forms of redress. Despite significant progress, including in the legal and policy reforms, the prevalence of DV in Moldova remains high, but the number of registered cases is low. The access to justice and support services for DV victims is still limited. Yet, these persons are better protected through an efficient monitoring, prevention and response system established at the national and local levels. In the 2013 CEDAW Concluding Observations for Moldova, the Committee reiterates its concern about the persistence of patriarchal attitudes and deep-rooted stereotypes regarding the roles and responsibilities of women and men in the family and in society.

Law 45 on preventing and combating family violence (Art. 7, p3, Art 8, pg. 1) provides for the strategic partnership between the responsible state/governmental authorities and civil society in preventing and combating family violence. Insufficient finances and modest support constitutes one of the principle obstacles in effectively implementing judicial and political reform as well as offering quality services. Currently, financial resources from the state budget for victims are limited/scarce and offered public institutions, but still service providers fight every year to offer essential victim services. Extensive public awareness raising efforts about family violence and protection measures guaranteed by law are sporadic and lack continuity. Centers that offer assistance services and protection for victims of family violence do not benefit from continued training or other forms of support and this work is largely supported by external funding with no uniform quality standards and accreditation mechanism that allows NGOs to access financial resources from the state budget. So far, no comprehensive public awareness campaign has been conducted to change perceptions on domestic violence in Moldova. The only public campaigns were the short-term media coverage connected to the "16-Days campaign against violence" conducted with the support of the donor community in Moldova. A recent Media Monitoring Report revealed that media coverage on domestic violence lacks proper investigation and often violates journalist ethics and the principle of confidentiality.

As a response to this situation, the national authorities have:

- Adopted the Law on Preventing and Combating Domestic Violence (Law 45-XVI) detailing the tasks of the competent authorities, providing for the creation of centres/services for the assistance and protection of victims, for the possibility to obtain a protection order in cases of DV and punishments for offenders.<sup>4</sup>
- Developed the National Program on Gender Equality for 2010-2015 and its Action Plans that attempted to budget funding for selected centres and shelters within the Mid Term Budgetary Framework (MTBF).

<sup>2</sup>, Violence against Women in the Family in the Republic of Moldova", 1st Edition, 2011 http://www.statistica.md/pageview.php?l=en&id=3626&idc=350

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> National Bureau of Statistics, 2011

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Demographic and Health Survey, Chisinau 2005

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The law was further amended in 2010 and harmonized with other national legislative acts, such as the Criminal Code, Civil and Criminal Procedures Codes and the Law on the Status of Police Officer.

- Developed a National Referral system for victims of trafficking that includes services to the victims of violence, but the referral system is not adjusted to the needs and specifics of victims of DV.
- Presented to CEDAW Committee in 2013, the fourth and fifth periodic state reports highlighting many unaddressed issues, including the need to further enhance efforts for combating DV violence.
- Approved in 2012 Reguations on handling DV cases for social assistants, family doctors and police.
- Adopted in 2012 the Law No. 129 on the accreditation of social service providers, which included the list of services eligible for state funding.

#### **Challenges:**

Despite these efforts, access to adequate assistance and/or the accessibility of the assistance by the DV victims continues to be problematic. There is poor implementation of the laws; there is a lack for required funding for capacity and institutional development of relevant service providers, but also lack of sensitivity and understanding of the victims' needs.

- High level of tolerance of gender-based violence and violence against women within society and response system, nen and boys are not targeted and are simply bystanders of domestic violence and comprise 90% of the number of perpetrators in cases of DV<sup>5</sup>;
- There are few criminal cases that have prosecuted aggressors; criminal protection orders are seldomly used by the victims due to the lack of knowledge about the procedures and lack of interest<sup>6</sup>.
- There is a poor institutional framework and human capacity of different groups of professionals to ensure effective response to cases of DV, professional competencies of different groups of specialists require further support. There are few specialized trainings for the professionals on the implementation of the above mentioned regulations.
- Financial resources from the state budget for victims are limited/scarce and offered
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Given the particular DV needs and constraints in Moldova, WLC is an unique dedicated advocacy and service-provision organization that can continue to strengthen the network of service providers in Moldova, the National Coalition "Life Without Domestic Violence" to make its work solid and sustainable. The grant will enable the NC to further build the capacities of its members to develop and provide quality services to women

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> According to 2014 Report of the General Inspectorate of Police of the Ministry of Internal Affairs;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Advocates for Human Rights, Women's Law Centre, *Implementation of Moldovan Legislation on Domestic Violence: A Human Rights Report* 

 $<sup>(2012) \</sup>underline{http://www.theadvocates for human rights.org/uploads/moldova\_reportupload.pdf}$ 

and children victims of violence and to advocate collectively with government bodies to improve funding and for improved, coherent service provision.

#### **7. Objectives** (*maximum* 2,200 *words*)

For a core support grant fill out just one objective and state the purpose of this grant request. For project support grants list your objectives for this project in bullet point format. (You may use additional space if you have more than three objectives). Under each objective describe the activities that your organisation will undertake to achieve it, including timeframe and the results or outcomes you expect to achieve.

To increase the impact of the National Coalition "Life without Domestic Violence" by strengthening its institutional capacities and decision making mechanisms to advocate for reforms at legislative and institutional level, as well as building capacities of service providers based on commonly developed uniform standards of service provision to victims.

#### **7.1.a. Objective 1** (*maximum one sentence*):

Strengthen institutional capacities and decision-making mechanism of the NC Coalition to better advocate for reform at legislative and systemic level in Moldova.

#### **7.1.b. Objective 1** – Activities and timeframe (*maximum 300 words*):

# 1.1. Develop Strategic Plan of the Coalition for 2016-2019, as well as annual action plans and annual reports; develop results based framework; monitoring and evaluation instruments

At this stage, WLC as Secretariat of the NC will conduct one workshop for members of the NC to work together and develop a Strategic Plan for the NC. An external organizational development specialist will guide the work on SP. At the next stage, the Board of the NC will be responsible for developing yearly action plans and annual reports, develop results based framework and monitoring and evaluation instruments. The NC will also develop a Lobby and Advocacy plan to lobby for sustainable state government and local level funding for service providers, amendments of the national law in line with the European standards and ratification of the Istanbul Convention.

During the discussion on the Strategic Plan of the NC in January 2016, the issue of establishing the NC as a separate organization will be discussed and a common decision will be reached. If members of the NC will decide on establishing a separate entity, the Secretariat will support the process of registration before the national authorities.

Time frame: January - June 2016 for the SP, action plan for year one and Lobby and Advocacy Plan; June - December 2016 for the results based framework and monitoring and evaluation instruments; Action Plans and Annual Reports - March of 2017; March of 2018; March of 2019

# 1.2. Develop communication plan for the NC, including own logo and branding, develop and maintain web-site www.stopviolenta.md

Based on ToR developed by NC Secretariat during a open call for proposals, a communication company will be selected and tasked to develop a draft communication plan for the NC, including branding and own logo. The draft communication plan and

branding will be discussed at the general meeting of the NC. Based on ToR developed by NC Secretariat during a open call for proposals, a web-design company will be selected to develop the web-site www.stopviolenta.md. A communication officer will be hired to be responsible for maintenance and development of contents for the web-site.

**Time frame: January - December 2016** 

#### 1.3. Develop internal management documents for the NC and Board

At this stage, NC Secretariat in close consultations with the NC Board will develop ToR for the Board of the NC, outlining management and supervisory responsibilities, oversight of action plans and meeting objectives; develop ToR for thematic working groups and establish thematic working groups, in accordance with identified needs.

**Time-frame: January 2015 – December 2016** 

# 1.4. Develop internal capacities for data collection and compiling data

At this stage NC Secretariat in close consultations with the NC Board will develop a standard questionnaire for collecting data on service providers, number of shelters/centers, number of beneficiaries assisted, funding situation, human resources, good practices etc. in accordance with WAVE standards.

**Time-frame: April-November 2016** 

#### 1.5. Maintain NC Secretariat

The activity of the NC Secretariat, that insures continuity and logical support to all activities within the National Coalition. The Secretariat will be responsible to organize quarterly meetings of the NC Board, to keep minutes of meetings, to insure communication inside and outside the NC; to organize meetings of the General Assembly of the NC to adopt important decision for all members of the NC.

**Time-frame: Permanent** 

# 1.6. Support the process of development of service-specific standards for working with victims of DV

At this stage, members of the NC will form thematic working groups by specific services, such as: shelters, maternal centers, hot line, counselling centers, services for aggressors and will work on specific standards based on WAVE standards and findings of the Capacity Gap Analysis Study conducted by WLC and WAVE in 2014. This activity will be coordinated with efforts at national level to develop and formally approve standards for services with the Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family and the National Council for Accreditation of Social Services.

Time frame: January 2016 - December 2017

# 1.7. Conduct awareness raising activities and strengthening partnerships at national and local level

At this stage, members of the NC will conduct activities at the local level as well aimed at raising awareness and building partnerships at the local level, such as round-tables and activities based on the Advocacy and Lobby Plan of the NC to improve response to cases of DV based in line with Istanbul Convention requirements. These activities will include but not be limited to the yearly 16-Days campaign of activism against gender-based violence.

Time-frame: Permanent, with special event around the 16-Days campaign every year on 25 November – 10 December

#### 1.8. Develop Blue Print for Safety for Moldova

A group of external experts will work with members of the NC to develop together Blue Print for Safety for Moldova to ensure coordinated response to cases of DV and conduct specialized trainings to raise awareness of multi-disciplinary responsibilities and main actors responsible to intervene to ensure effective protection of victims of DV and aggressor accountability in due time.

Time-frame: June 2016 - June 2017

#### **7.1.c.** Objective 1 – Expected results/outcomes and timeframe (maximum 300 words):

- 1.1. Strategic Plan of the National Coalition for 2016-2019 as well as Lobby and Advocacy Plan, annual action plans and annual reports developed.
- 1.2. Communication plan for the NC, including own logo and branding developed. Web-site for the NC <a href="https://www.stopviolenta.md">www.stopviolenta.md</a> developed and maintained.
- 1.3. Internal management documents for the NC and Board developed.
- 1.4. Internal capacities for data collection and compiling data developed.
- 1.5. Secretariat of the NC to insure continuity supported.
- 1.6. Process of development of service-specific standards for working with victims of DV in Moldova supported.
- 1.7. Awareness raising activities support and local partnerships developed/maintained.
- 1.8. Blue Print for Safety for Moldova developed.

# **7.2.a.** Objective 2 (if any) (maximum one sentence):

Strengthening institutional and human capacities of service providers, members of the NC on uniform standards of service provision to victims

#### **7.2.b.** Objective 2 – Activities and timeframe (*maximum 300 words*):

**2.1. Develop Capacity Building Plan for service providers, members of NC** In partnership with WAVE experts and based on the findings of the WAVE/WLC Capacity Gap Analysis Report 2014 a Capacity Building Plan will be developed, that will include following elements: determine the core and minimum level and type of specialized service provision to be provided for the main target group; develop model protocols of cooperation with main actors at local level.

**Time-frame: April-December 2016** 

**2.2. Deliver specialized trainings for service providers, members of the NC** At this stage, based on the Capacity Building Plan, three 2-days specialized training workshops will be conducted on working with survivors of DV, delivered by WAVE experts in accordance with developed national standards.

Time-frame: January 2017 - December 2018

# 2.3. Deliver coalition building workshops for the NC

At this stage, members of the NC and NC Board will receive specialized coalition building training: one 3-days workshop from the Vermont Coalition against Domestic violence on conflict resolution and decision making process. Other two 2-days workshops on institutional building will be organized, they will include: fundraising strategies, project proposal writing and strategy development.

Time-frame: January – December 2016 for the coalition building workshop; January-December 2017 for the institutional building workshops.

### 2.4. Small grants program for service providers, members of the NC

Members of the NC will apply to the small grants program for the implementation of specific projects at local level in partnership with local authorities, police, multidisciplinary teams on effective response to cases of DV. Funds will cover direct assistance to DV victims, legal and psychological assistance to 100 victims, referral and direct assistance for other services as well as monitoring and evaluation of services by direct beneficiaries – women victims of DV based on specially designed questionnaires.

Time-frame: Every implementation year, the process will be launched in March 2016

#### **7.2.c.** Objective 2 – Expected results/outcomes and timeframe (*maximum 300 words*):

- 2.1. Capacity Building Plan for members of the NC developed.
- 2.2. At least 3 2-days specialized workshops for services providers delivered by WAVE experts in accordance with developed national standards.
- 2.3. At least 3 workshops on coalition building and institution building for service providers based on best practices conducted.
- 2.4. At least 10 organizations will benefit from small grants every year, ensuring direct assistance to at least 100 victims of DV.

### 8. Cooperation

8. Describe the level of cooperation with other organisations and networks and explain how this cooperation helps achieve your goals (maximum 300 words):

The activities will be coordinated with efforts at the national level undertaken national authorities as well as other donors, such as UN Women, EU Commission and others. The Secretariat of the NC held by the WLC will ensure coherence between all relevant national initiatives and will coordinate the present project as part of the Matrix of initiatives in preventing and combating domestic violence developed and maintained by the Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family in their capacity of chairing the Inter-Ministerial Board on Domestic Violence (responsible ministries, civil society organizations and donor community are present at this forum). Members of the NC Board, including WLC has been a member of this Board in the last three years and intends to extend its membership throughout the duration of the Project to ensure a better coordination of activities in the field.

### 9. Impact

9. What is the change you want to achieve from the overall project? (maximum 300 words):

The Project "Support to National Coalition 'Life without Domestic Violence in Moldova' to improve protection for women and children victims of domestic violence" will further enable the platform of active organizations and service providers to contribute to the process of change at the individual, community and systemic level in ensuring protection of women's human rights and combat domestic violence in Moldova.

Specifically, the Project activities will improve the overall response to domestic violence in the Republic of Moldova by strengthening the network of service providers to enable it to become strong actor through improved coordination, capacities, collective advocacy and improved quality services for victims of DV. At the same time, the impact of the

National Coalition "Life without Domestic Violence" will be improved by strengthening its institutional capacities and decision making mechanisms to advocate for reforms at legislative and institutional level, as well as building capacities of service providers based on commonly developed uniform standards of service provision to victims in Moldova.

As a result, the project will create opportunities for building a strong coalition of organizations and service providers in Moldova working with survivors of DV, contributing to the process of development of standards of assistance of survivors of DV in accordance with European standards, and best practices that can be replicated in Moldova.

Finally, the grant will enable the NC to further build the capacities of its members to develop and provide quality services to women and children victims of violence and to advocate collectively with government bodies to improve funding and for improved, coherent service provision.

#### 10. Evaluation

### **10. How will progress be monitored and evaluated?** (maximum 300 words):

A detailed Monitoring and Evaluation Plan (MEP) of the project activities will be developed by the implementation team. The MEP will include specific indicators to be followed and methods for data collection. Based on MEP, project team will continuously monitor the project implementation. The members of the project team will cover the core administration of the project. The project coordinator will produce one yearly report on the implemented activities and results of the project.

The evaluation procedure will involve the use of interactive and participatory methods, which are empowering the beneficiaries to feel free and to comment the results of their work. The evaluation will seek to involve the key-beneficiaries and will analyze the project progress towards reaching its aims.

Members of the implementation team will be in a permanent contact with the authorities targeted by the project, professionals involved in the capacity building and beneficiaries. Regular discussions and site visits will be organized in order to monitor the progress of the project at the local level and identify what needs to be improved.

#### 11. Future Plans

## 11. How will the grant influence the organisation and future plans? (maximum 300 words):

As described, the National Coalition in Moldova started as a platform of service providers, under the leadership of the Women's Law Center and with the OAK support under its first grant in 2012, regular meetings and capacity building efforts have continued during 2012-2015. On 29 April 2014, 14 service providers (NGOs and public institutions) signed the Declaration of Principle for the establishment of the NC, being devoted to the idea of eliminating violence against women and children on a personal level and in society, with aim to contribute to the creation of a society without violence, centered on the promotion and respect of human rights of victims of family violence, in order the achieve the common agreed objectives. These common objectives, include inter alia: creation and development of standards of assistance for victims of DV, women and children; exchanging information to improve services; building individual organization's capacity and the Coalition's capacity to advocate for reforms; increasing the public awareness of domestic violence; advocacy and policy development to address the needs of women and children victims of DV and work with aggressors.

The NC in Moldova has developed naturally into a solid network comprising both leading NGOs as well as public institutions that are providing specialized services to children and women victims of DV as well as programs for batterers. The activities of the Project described herein will enable the NC to further build the capacities of its members to develop and provide quality services to women and children victims of violence and to advocate collectively with government bodies to improve funding and for improved, coherent service provision.

Depending on the decision of the members of the NC, it is possible that during the implementation of the current Project, members of the NC will decide about the institutionalization of the platform into a distinct organization to further strengthen its work.

#### 12. Declarations

12. Do you have any personal or commercial relationships with staff members or Trustees of Oak Foundation? If yes, please explain.

No

#### 13. Attachments

Required documents:

- 1. Budget details Oak template
- 2. Organisational structure
- 3. List of board members and roles and functions
- 4. Audited financial statements
- 5. Annual report
- 6. Registration documents
- 7. Memorandum of association /article of association
- 8. Tax exempt certificate
- 9. Other documents

Documents if available:

- 10. Recent outside reviews and evaluations
- 11. Current unaudited financial reports

If applying for a **core support grant** in addition to the documents listed above you are also required to submit the following documents:

- 12. List of funders with names, past funding and future commitments
- 13. Salary table by function
- 14. Organisational budget
- 15. Business or strategic plan

<b>Comments</b> (if one of	
the required	
documents could not	
be submitted, please	
explain why):	

14. Status (discussion points between grantee and PO):

Please submit the completed form, the budget details and all accompanying documents electronically. Hard copies are not necessary.

15. Full Name of the person	Angelina Zaporojan-Pirgari
completing the form:	

16. Date of Submission:	20	10	2015
(dd/mon/yy)			