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### **BORIA – Cooperation and Organization for Increased Initiative and Activism** (Bashkëpunimi dhe Organizimi për Rritjen e Inisiativave dhe Aktivizmit)

**Implemented by:** Community Center “Today for the Future” Puka Branch

**Location:** Municipality of Puke, Region of Shkoder

**Duration:** 6 months

**Total budget:** 8,526 Euro

**Overall objective:** Contributing to good governance in Puka municipality through increasing the citizen engagement in improving the public services regarding coverage, quality, and standards, increasing the cooperation between local authorities and citizens, and supporting planning of services by local authorities.

**Specific objective:** To strengthen citizen participation in Puka municipality in good governance through strengthening of capacity of community groups (“Boria”) as watchdog of public services in Pukë, Gjegjan, Luf-Qerret, Qelez, and Rrapë and community discussion sessions on quality of existing services.

#### **Expected results:**

1. Citizens (women, men, and youth) engage in watchdog community groups “BORIA” and assess on the field the public services through active engagement and community discussions;
2. Local government that is open to cooperate with community relating to provision of quality public services.

**Target groups:** Members of watchdog community group “Boria” (25 citizens); Municipality of Pukë and providers of public services in Puke and administrative units Gjegjan, Rrapë, Luf-Qerret and Qelëz (10 in municipality, 4 in administrative units, Municipality Council, and public institutions (Education Directorate, Public Health Directorate, Employment Office, Office of Civil Registry).

**Final beneficiaries:** Communities of Puka municipality (through engagement of at least 100 people during discussions and 200 surveyed in the field); Local organizations of the region targeted by PACT.

<b>Main activities:</b>	1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1 Identification of potential members and establishing “Boria” groups.</li> <li>1.2 Information and training on public services of “Boria” groups.</li> <li>1.3 Community discussion sessions.</li> <li>1.4 Mapping the public services.</li> <li>1.5 Assessing the public services.</li> </ol>
	2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.1 Cooperation and information meetings with local authorities.</li> <li>2.2 Disseminating findings and recommendations on public services.</li> <li>2.3 Supporting the Puka municipality with updated information and discussion on project results in order to take the necessary steps and ask for investments to ensure good governance.</li> </ol>