

ANNUAL REPORT 2008

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In 2008 the following programs operated in Georgia: Media and Civil Society Support Program, Academic Fellowship Program, East-East-Partnership without Borders, Public Health Program, Rule of Law and Public Administration Program, Integration and Civic Education, Arts and Culture program. The Economic Development Program was closed out in the second half of the year.

2008 Expenditures	\$4 049 306
Open Society Georgia Foundation Programs	
Rule of Law and Public Administration	892 379
Civil Society and Media Support	483 473
Integration and Civic Education	634 683
East East: Parnership Beyong Boarders	157 521
Arts & Culture	99 102
Economic Development	56 662
Public Health	873 085
Academic Fellowship	92 060
SPIN-OFFS	
TASO Foundation	24 880
Center for International Education (CIE)	100 000
Georgian Research and Educational Network Association (GRENA	46 800
Debate Education Association	15 750
Center for Educational Initiatives	10 000
Administrative budget and Institutional Development	462 911



Rule of Law and Public Administration Program

Rule of Law and Public Administration Program aims at the support of democratic development in the country; current reforms of the legislative system by rising its level of transparency and public participation; improvement of public finance management system and budgetary transparency.

In 2008 Rule of Law and Public Administration Program was focused on the following priorities:

- Human Rights and Good Governance;
- Local Self-Governance and Public Administration;
- Budget Transparency.

Human Rights and Good Governance Direction

In 2008, priorities of the Human Rights and Good Governance Direction were as follows:

- Protection of human rights;
- Reform of legal aid system;
- Implementation of Community Prosecution model in Georgia and promotion of preventive measures;
- Civil participation in law-making process;
- Transparency of current reforms;
- Support establishment of human rights-based public health system.

Program activities Open door projects

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Strategic Litigation for the Victims of Russian-Georgian Conflict of August 2008	Rise awareness of the August conflict victims of the European mechanisms of human rights and freedoms protection; 2) provide free legal aid to the victims, collect evidences and other appropriate information on violation of their rights.	33 310
Union "Century 21"	Monitoring of Human Rights and Freedoms during the Events of August, 2008	Collection and analysis of information on human rights violations during the August, 2008 conflict.	21 010
Article 42 of the Constitution	Legal Aid and Representation before ECHR for IDP's	Improvement of human rights protection state in the country; provision of legal protection to IDPs at local and international courts.	28 033
Amnesty International	Challenging Discrimination against Internally Displaced People in Georgia	1) Rise awareness of the problems of IDPs; 2) protection of IDPs economic, social and cultural rights.	30 000
Legal Aid Service	Creation of a Case Management Software	Creation of the Case Management Software for Legal Aid Service and hand it over as grant to the Service.	33 593
		Total:	145 946



Travel grants funded by the Open Society Justice Initiative and Human Rights and Good Governance Network Program

Grant recipient organization/individual/ini tiative group	Project title	Outline of the carried out activities	Project budget
Rusudan Tabatadze	Travel grant for the participation in international conference on legal aid	Rusudan Tabatadze took part in LSRC International Conference "New Approaches to the Delivery of Legal Services" sharing international experience in legal aid delivery in London, June 16-20, 2008.	3 300
Ketevan Roinishvili	Travel grant for the participation in training focusing on legal clinics	Ketevan Roinishvili took part in the Advanced Teacher Training on legal clinics in Kiev, July 23-27, 2008.	1 320
Irakli Mirtskhulava, Manana Tandashvili, Tsiala Ratiani, Irina Bokhashvili, Ioseb Natroshvili	Travel grant for the participation in Public Defense Training	Legal Aid Service 5 attorneys took part in Public Defense training in Yalta, July 16-21, 2008.	4 350
Rusudan Tabatadze, Meliton Benidze, Giorgi Giorgadze, Irakli Shonia, Manana Tandashvili	Travel grant for the participation of Legal Aid Service 5 attorneys in Legal Aid Policymakers meeting	Legal Aid Service 5 attorneys took part in legal aid policymakers meeting in Chisinau, September 28-October 1, 2008.	5820
Manana Kobakhidze	Travel grant for the participation in Human Rights Training	Representative of Article 42 of the Constitution Manana Kobakhidze took part in Human Rights Training in Strasbourg, October 12-14, 2008.	1 386
		Total:	16 176

In-house projects funded by the network program

Program Direction	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Human Rights and Good Governance	Daniel Sershen's visit to Georgia for the Assessment of Human Rights	Visit of the Central Eurasia Project expert Daniel Sershen in Georgia aiming at the research and assessment of human rights situation.	1 000
Human Rights and Good Governance	Mobilization of Civil Society to Overcome the Crisis	Humanitarian aid and assistance to IDPs of the August conflict.	34 957
Human Rights and Good Governance	New Year Party for Internally Displaced Children	Organization of a New Year Party for internally displaced children on December 21, 2008.	778
Human Rights and Good Governance	Public Health, Law and Media	Protection of human rights in public health sphere, encouragement of collaboration between public health and HR NGOs, introduction of Public Health Law as legal discipline.	15 000
Human Rights and Good Governance	Community Prosecution Project – Final Phase	Analysis of the outcomes of community prosecution piloting and elaboration of a strategy of the CP model establishment.	11 700
		Total:	63 435



Projects funded within the framework of Human Rights and Good Governance direction in 2007 and to be completed and administered in 2008 budgetary year:

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description
In-house project	Establishment of Community Prosecution in Georgia – Final Phase	Support establishment of Community Prosecution model that was enshrined in technical and expert assistance to the existing pilot prosecution services and in parallel together with the Office of Prosecutor General of Georgia envisaged elaboration of the implementation strategy and action plan for the establishment of this model on the whole territory of Georgia.
In-house project	Support of Legal Aid System in Georgia	Enaction of Legal Aid Law, strengthening sustainability of Legal Aid Service, establishment of bureaus and consulting centers on the whole territory of Georgia, defining high level HR protection mechanisms and provision of qualified legal aid to socially vulnarable groups.
		Within the framework of this project was organized a training for Georgian HR NGOs and lawyers covering protection of rights of war victims and strategic litigation.

Other expenses

For project draft, selection and monitoring, seminars, conferences, meetings and business trips	2 022	

Publications, released in 2008 with the financial support of the program

Author	Title	Short description
Open Society – Georgia Foundation	"Theft – is a crime!"	Booklet
Open Society – Georgia Foundation	"Hooliganism – is a crime!"	Booklet
Open Society – Georgia Foundation	"Thief in law – is a shame of the society!"	Booklet
Open Society – Georgia Foundation	"Bearing of cold steel and firearms is prohibited! Take care of your life!"	Booklet
Open Society – Georgia Foundation	Procedural Agreement	Booklet
Open Society – Georgia Foundation and Legal Aid Service	Legal Aid Service Annual Report, 2008	Report
Open Society – Georgia Foundation	Report of Telavi and Mtskheta Community Prosecution Projects	Report

Local Self-Governance and Public Administration Direction

In 2008, priorities of the Local Self-Governance and Public Administration Direction were as follows:



- Elaboration of the Annual Report "Development of Local Democracies in Georgia";
- Support development of local self-governance;
- Improve public participation and transparency at local level:
- Support free and fair election.

Program activities:

Competition projects

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Civil Society Institute	Study of Public Participation in Local Self-Governance	Study of public participation and transparency level in the work of local governance bodies and elaboration of per se recommendations.	35 980
BCG Research	Sociological Survey on the Impact of the Performance of Local Self -Government Institutions	Research was made deliberately for local development annual report and aimed at the study of population's perception of local self-governance performance.	17 926
		Total:	53 906

Open door projects

(*including joint with Civil Society Support and Media Support Programs open door projects)

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Constitutional Court of Georgia	Communicating Decisions of the Constitutional Court to Public	Ensuring communication of decision of the Constitutional Court to public; publishing a subject-matter journal.	55 858
* Coalition of Conflict Zone NGOs	Conflict Zone NGOs Unification for IDPs Help	Observation of IDPs resettlement process, study of refugees social and legal state, protection of their interests and also, monitoring of programs oriented on IDPs aid.	53 370 (+ 22 000.00 co-funding with Media Support Program)
International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy	Fair and Free Parliamentary Election 2008	1) To rise awareness of observers of the organization on necessary procedures and activities to be employed for conducting election monitoring through trainings; 2) to collect and disseminate complete and unbiased information on election process and outcomes through making observation of the Election Day.	25 862
New Generation – New Initiative	Monitoring of the 2008 Parliamentary Election	Monitoring of the electoral administration work during the Election Day; prevention of violations and falsifications by the electoral administration; in case of violations proceed with adequate complaints.	19 925
Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Young Lawyers for Fair and Transparent 2008 Parliamentary Election	To ensure Election Day procedures to be followed in pursuance with legislation; to protect electorate rights on Election Day; to draw up complaints in regard with the existing violations.	31 914
International Centre for Civil Culture	Supporting Ethnic Minorities for Effective Application of their Electoral Rights	Civil integration of Kvemo Kartli ethnic minorities; rise their awareness; support effective exercise of civil rights and especially suffrage; improve participation of ethnic minorities of the region in political and social life of the country.	13 550



Joint projects

Partner organization	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Human Rights Center Adjara Bureau (project is funded by the World Bank within the framework of Small Grants Program)	Competitive Youth	Internship for law department students to acquire necessary practical skills at the Human Rights Center.	4 825
Association Studio "Televizori" (project is funded by the World Bank within the framework of Small Grants Program)	Project "Alaia"	Organization of exhibitions and cultural-educational actions; cooperation with mass media in order to attract the public attention to the interests of children in Stepantsminda and Nikozi.	6 990
Joint project of Rule of Law and Public Administration Program and Transparency International Georgia	Support of Election Processes Monitoring through Establishment of a Media Center	Establishment of a common Media Center for Coalition NGOs; in parallel with the Central Election Commission to provide information to the public concerned with the monitoring of the election process.	15 365
		Total:	27 180

In-house projects

Program Direction	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Local Self-Governance and Public Administration	Working visit of Georgian delegation, carrying out observation and exit poll during the Presidential Election of January 5, in Ukraine	Working visit of Georgian delegation carrying out observation and exit poll during the Presidential Election of January 5 in Kiev on March 1 -5, 2008. Goal of the visit was sharing experience and developing future collaboration. Expenses for business trip were covered by International Renaissance Foundation and Open Society – Georgia Foundation.	14 614
Local Self-Governance and Public Administration	Research of E-readiness in the Regions of Georgia	1) Study and analysis of e-readiness in the regions of Georgia, and especially in regard with the implementation of the law of Georgia regulating e-promotion; 2) elaboration of recommendations on the implementation and development of e-governance in the regions of Georgia, including mechanism of e-signature; 3) discussion, dissemination and popularization of the research outcomes and drawing up recommendations.	19 589
Local Self-Governance and Public Administration	Annual Report "Development of Local Democracies in Georgia - 2007"	Assessment of decentralization process and its perspectives in Georgia annually, determination of new political perspectives and dissemination of information to local/international organizations and other stakeholders.	51 960
		Total:	86 163

Projects funded within the framework of Local Self-Governance and Public Administration direction in 2007 and to be completed and administered in 2008 budgetary year:

Grant recipient organization/individ	Project title	Brief description
ual/initiative group		



Other expenses

For project draft, selection and monitoring, seminars, conferences, meetings and business trips.	1 077	7	

Publications, released in 2008 with the financial support of the program

Author	Title	Short description
Giorgi Kiknadze, Irakli Sakandelidze	Establishment of E-Transparency in Georgia	Assessment study
Group of authors	Annual Report "Development of Local Democracies in Georgia - 2007"	Report

Budget Transparency Direction

In 2008, priorities of the Budget Transparency Direction were as follows:

- State budget monitoring and analysis;
- Support implementation of budgetary transparency mechanisms;



- Analysis of economic policy of the country and elaboration of recommendations;
- Trainings on budget-related issues for NGOs and media representatives.

Program activities:

Competition projects

(* including joint with Civil Society Support, Media Support and Integration and Civic Education Programs competition projects)

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
International Centre for Civil Culture		Systematic development of civil budgetary monitoring and establishment of sustainable monitoring mechanisms.	19 291
International Association "Civitas Georgica"	Budgeting and Monitoring of Public Finances (as part of the in-house project "Georgia Revenue Watch 2008")	Support regional NGOs to extend their knowledge in budget planning and obtain necessary skills for making effective budget monitoring in order to rise level of civil participation in budgetary process.	18 797
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Open door projects

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Monitoring of the Budget Allocation for Road Rehabilitation	Monitoring of the appropriateness of spending budget allocations assigned for road rehabilitation.	38 234
Economic Policy Research Center	Millennium Challenge Georgia Program Monitoring (Phase IV)	Focusing on the level of transparency of spending the Millennium Challenge Georgia Program funds.	42 000
Transparency International Georgia	Making Aid Work for Georgia	To better IDP housing policy by improving transparency, accountability and communications of government bodies, donors, UN units and NGOs involved in aid.	57 984
		Total:	138 218

In-house projects

(* including joint in-house projects with other OSGF programs)



Program Direction	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Budget Transparency	Georgia Revenue Watch (Phase IV) - 2008	Monitoring and analysis of budget incomes from the extraction and transit of hydrocarbon resources; trainings focused on budget monitoring; advocacy of the obtained results; support expanding of EITI agenda on transit incomes.	14 240
Budget Transparency	The Analysis of the "50- day Action Plan" of the Government of Georgia	Elaboration of analytical document on "50-day Action Plan" and its implementation, disclosure of the existing problems, also, rise public awareness of the above and suggest effective ways of problem solution.	10 662
Budget Transparency	Analysis and Recommendation of Economic Challenges of Georgia and Governmental Strategy against Crisis	To elaborate analytical document assessing governmental priorities: is there a specific governmental long-term strategy of the effective allocation of foreign financial aid and how justified is it in the context of economic growth of the country; to assess how and at what extent infrastructural projects can help general economic growth along.	21 950
		Total:	46 852

Projects funded within the framework of Budget Transparency direction in 2007 and to be completed and administered in 2008 budgetary year:

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description
In-house project	Georgia Revenue Watch - 2007	Monitoring and analysis of hydrocarbon resources extraction and transit; trainings on budget monitoring; advocacy of the obtained results.

Other expenses

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Publications released with the financial support of the program

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Report was elaborated within the framework of RLPA Program in-	Georgian Railway Problems and	Analytical Report # 14
house project: "LTD Georgian Railway – Analytical Report"	Perspectives	Short
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Report was elaborated by RLPA Program and Coalition "For	Analysis and Assessment of the	Analytical Report # 15



Transparency of Public Finance"	"50-day Action Plan" of the Government of Georgia	
Report was elaborated with financial support of the RLPA Program by Civic Education Youth Center	Report on Agricultural Land Privatization	Report
	Millennium Challenge Program Monitoring (Phase III)	Report
	Total	\$820 254

		Total amount spent for prog	gram activities:	820 254
	National budget of prog	National budget of program activities:		
Amount assigned for program activities: Funding from sources:	77	Open Society Institute (OSI):	253 734	831 071
		Other programs co-funding:	30 000	
		Open Discretionary Fund (ODF), (excluding amount assigned for administrative budget):	37 762	
		Third party:	70 000	
Undisbursed amount	Amount disbursed for other programs:		0	40.047
Unallocated:			10 817	10 817
Administrative budget (including amount allocated from ODF \$):			72 125	
Total amount assigned for the RLP	A Program from OSGF budg	jet (including network sums)		892 379

Integration and Civic Education Program

The main goal of the Integration and Civic Education Program is to support civil, regional and European integration through promotion of liberal values, civic education, and peace culture.

In 2008 Integration and Civic Education Program worked in the following directions:

- Integration of ethnic minorities
- Regional integration
- Georgia's integration in Europe
- Peaceful resolution of conflicts



- Civic (in terms of values) education
- Culture research
- Development of institutions of social care.

At the same time, Integration and Civic Education Program provided administration to the following network programs:

- East Easr- Partnership without Boarders
- Arts and Culture.

In 2008 the main priorities of the Integration and Civic Education Program were:

- Research of problematic social and cultural issues and the dissemination of the research results
- Promoting the establishment of multiculturalism
- Support for multiethnic and regional cooperation
- Establishing trust between opposing sides in conflict zones
- Mobilization of civil society in regards to the European Union's Neighborhood Policy
- Promotion of the sharing of East European experiences



Grant recipient	Project name	Brief description	Project budget
Nino Kilanava	Creative Upbringing of Pupils and Young People in Gali District	Support youth education in Gali district with a creative program specifically elaborated for them.	9 540.00
Union of Mixed Georgian-Abkhaz Families	The Role of Mixed Families in Settling Ethnic Conflict	Renewal of Georgian-Abkhaz relationship by organizing meetings among representatives of mixed families.	9 789.00
NGO, Association Udi	Prospects of Systematic Regulation of Conflicts and Civil Integration According to the Example of Ethnic Minority Udi	Support civil integration and ethnic minority cultural heritage protection (Udis, Avaris, Ossetians and their neighbor Georgians). Create computer font "Mamuli" for Udi language on the basis of Georgian and Latin fonts. Publish Udi-Georgian dictionary.	7 830.00
Association of South Ossetian Women for Democracy and Human Rights (Lira Tskhovrebova)	Promotion of Civil Society through Inclusion of Mixed Families in Social and Cultural Processes	Organization of discussions on the problems of mixed Georgian-Ossetian families living in the conflict zone and preparation of an information bulletin on the above mentioned topic.	9 920.00
Samtskhe-Javakheti Regional Association Tolerant	Information and Consultation Center for Meskhetian Repatriates	Creation of an information and consultation center for Meskhetian repatriates. Research needs of Meskhetians; teaching of state language; provision of family doctor services and publication of an information guide.	9 885.00
The Kosta Khetagurovi Society (luza Tataev)	Peacemaking through Folk Arts	Organize joint exhibition of Georgian and Ossetian craftsmen	9 940.00
Georgian-Abkhazian Union Face to Face	Towards Civil Society – through Cultural Exchange	Organize optional classes for pupils of Public School # 61 on Abkhazian, Ossetian, Armenian, and Azeri ceremonies (traditions), culture, folklore.	9 999.00
Union of War Ex- combatant Wives and Widows	We Choose Peace	Promote resolution of Georgian-Ossetian conflict and peace and confidence building between Georgians and Ossetians through active participation of Georgian and Ossetian women. Organize training-seminars on conflictology, leadership skills, etc. Arrange a meeting between Georgian and Ossetian women, in order to elaborate recommendations on conflict resolution issues.	9 910.00
StudioMobile - Accent on Action	All Abous Us - TV broadcast cycle	Support ethnic minority integration in Kvemo Kartli through the educational TV-shows and raising civil awareness.	10 000.00
Naira Bepievi	Study and Edition of the Folklore-Ethnographical Heritage of the Villages of Georgian-Ossetian Conflict Zone	Arrange joint expedition of Georgian and Ossetian folklorists and ethnographists to the villages of Georgian-Ossetian conflict zone for study and publication of folklore-ethnographical heritage.	9 986.00
Women for the Future of Javakheti	Bilingual (Armenian- Georgian) Kindergartens in Akhalkalaki	Testing bilingual education model in the Kindergartens in Akhalkhalaki	9 960.00



SIQA - Georgian Association of Educational Initiatives	Unity of Diversity	Promote integration, collaboration and participation in social activities of Rustavi youth from different minority groups. Brake down the ethnic stereotypes by means of the trainings on the following topics: tolerance, leadership, conflict management, etc.	9 910.00
Maiak - Union for Integration and Development of Meskhetians	Facilitate Integration of Meskhetians into Local Community through Activization of Women and Youth	Promote improvement of legal and social standing of Meskhetian repatriates through establishment of legal, medical and psychological unit. Build trust between local community and repatriates. Issue publication which will cover general information about Meskhetians, as well as legal and medical issues.	9 600.00
Pedagogic Innovation Centre	Model of Bilingual Education for Second Year Elementary School Pupils in Kvemo Kartli	Introduction of the model of the bilingual second grade to the non-Georgian Schools in Kvemo Kartli.	9 940.00
Helsinki Citizen's Assembly - Georgian Committee	The Informational- Analytical Support of Peace Initiatives on the Resolution of Tskhinvali Conflict	Provide consultations to IDP youth organizations, monitor media, elaborate recommendations regarding conflict resolution issues based on monitoring results, and promote dialogue between public and governmental organizations.	9 940.00
Foundation Abkhazinterconti	Rehabilitation and Integration of Veterans of 1991-1993 War and Military Forces in Imereti Region	Provide trainings to veterans of war and military forces and IDP soldiers regarding following issues: social rights and privileges, advocacy and lobbying issues, conflictology, psychology and basics of small business administration. Publication of 500 copies of the brochure – Social Rights and Privileges of Veterans.	9 984.00
Kakhi Eradze	Rehabilitation of Youth at Risk	Rehabilitation of socially unprotected youth through professional retraining and building self-confidence in them. Practical involvement of youth in creative work during various workshops.	9 992.00
Nino Tomashvili - Initiative Group	Culture of Tolerance	Preparation of a study program on Culture of Tolerance based on the results of theoretical research conducted by initiative group of scientists and organization of the one week training program for school teachers.	9 904.00
Bridge of Friendship Kartlos	Youth Parliament of Tskhinvali Region	Provide internship opportunity in Tbilisi to the young people from Tskinvali region in following organizations: Association of Young Economists of Georgia, informational agency – PrimeNews, Charity Humanitarian Center Abkhazeti, and Helsinki Citizen's Assembly - Georgian Committee.	9 930.00
Public Defender's Office	Promoting Civil Integration by Democratization of School Management	Research problematic issues encountered in school democratization and tolerance building processes. Create training module, educate local trainers and provide trainings.	8 484.00
Free Union of Georgian Teachers and Scientists of Georgia	Support Democratic Governance of State Schools in Dedoplistskaro	Gather a group of experts, prepare training program and provide trainings.	10 000.00
Union of Parents and Professionals Nadi	Road to Equal Citizenship	Promote social integration of disabled youth by participation in various cultural events (drama, creative activities).	9 990.00
Puppeteers Club	Puppeteers Theater in Khurvaleti	Psycho-social rehabilitation of IDP youth in village Khurvaleti with the help of art. Use marionette play preparation process to increase civic awareness in youth.	15 000.00



Elene Tavadze	Synthesis Puppet	Creation of puppeteers' play and soap opera involving youth (11-15 year old) from the studio Fantasia existing within public school #53 and IDPs from Tserovani (competition based selection of 20 kids). Staging play in various locations of IDP resettlement.	4 309.21
International Union - Helper	Cloisonné (French word meaning plique-a-jour)	Organize studio for young IDPs (in total 100) and teach them enameling techniques. Organize exhibition-fair of their works.	13 870.00
Liberta	Our Future is in Our Hands	Involve young representatives of Armenian minority of the village Shaumiani in various community affairs by means of entertaining club work.	14 998.50
Ana Baqanidze	Support	Create resource-center in the village Koda, provide English language and computer classes to 30 IDP and 10 local kids. Organize special Sunday classed in the lv. Javakishvili Tbilisi State University.	8 787.29
NGO ConsultGroup	Establishment of Agroresource Center for IDP Youth Adaptation Support in Koda Settlement	Formation of agroresource center in the village Koda for IDP youth.	14 370.00
Society Biliki	Gori Resource Center for IDPs	Creation of resource center for young displaced people (age: 16-18 years) to promote post-conflict rehabilitation, civic education, and their integration in the local society.	15 000.00
		TOTAL	300 768.00

Open Door Projects:

Grant recipient	Project name	Brief description	Project budget
Iulia Kharashvili	World Movement for Democracy – Fifth Assembly	Participation in the fifth assembly of the World Movement for Democracy	1 455.00
NGO Georgian for NATO	Euro Atlantic Integration - Guarantee for Peace and Stability	Organization of autumn school/seminars for representatives of ethnic minorities on cooperation plans between NATO and Georgia.	3 125.00
Charity Humanitarian Center Abkhazeti	Psychosocial Rehabilitation Program for Internally Displaced and Conflict- effected Adolescents	Implementation of psychosocial rehabilitation program for internally displaced and conflict-effected adolescents in several cities and Gali.	33 966.00
National Examinations and Assessment Centre	Second Black Sea Conference on Policy and Assessment in Education	Organization of the international conference for education field experts to discuss political and technical issues, exchange knowledge and experience, elaborate ways to solve similar problems. Around 130 representatives from 26 countries attended the conference.	26 000.00
I - the Young Scientist	International Soros Science Education Programs Foundation	Organization of contest for young scientists and financing participation of selected candidates in the conference organized by European Union.	1 302.00
Lia Tsuladze	Translation of Anthony Giddens' Sociology in Georgian	Translation of the book Sociology written by Anthony Giddens to promote professional development of students of Social and Political Science departments and to provide them an adequate education.	14 130.00
Tanadgoma - Cultural Center for People with	Barriers that Young People with Disabilities are Facing in Georgia	Promotion of inclusive education, eradication of negative approach, stigma and derogatory terminology. Moreover, popularization of inclusive education and attraction of people	10 000.00



Disabilities		to the schools where all conditions all created for this type of teaching.	
Georgian Institute of Public Affairs	Russo-Georgian Conflict: Causes, Consequences and Outlooks	Expand studies on contemporary Russian domestic politics and its behavior in the former soviet zone; to extend the existing knowledge on these subjects and develop it into a comprehensible study that will assist policymakers, scholars and journalists in their activities.	10 879.00
Caucasus Institute for Peace, Democracy and Development	CIVICUS – The Civil Society Research in Georgia	Conduct comprehensive study on state of civil society. The study covers different dimensions of civil society's work and will result in analysis of current situation as well as in concrete proposals on how this situation could be improved.	32 000.00
Georgian Book Publishers and Booksellers Association	Black Sea Book Fair	Organize Black Sea International Fair for the first time in Georgia, research publishing industry, develop new contacts, promote information sharing among participants, support integration of publishers into the international publishing sphere. 18 international (Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Turkey, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Ukraine) and approximately 80 Georgian publishing companies participated in the fair (June 27-30, 2008).	10 000.00
Center for Educational Initiatives	Provision of Quality Preschool Education Services for Vulnerable IDP Children/Families and Building Capacity of Parents/Teachers to Provide Relevant Education Opportunities	Provision of quality preschool education in IDP settlements and building capacity of parents/teachers to provide relevant education opportunities. Provide training for parents and teachers.	30 000.00
		Sum:	172 857.00

In-house projects:

Grant recipient	Project name	Brief description	Project budget
Civil Integration Direction	Civil Monitoring of European Neighborhood Policy Action Plan	Promote participation of experts in participation and monitoring of the implementation of European Neighborhood Policy Action Plan. Set up website on ENP related issues and produce electronic bulletin.	12 668.00
Civil Integration Direction	South Caucasus Peace Festival – Nationality: Human	Organize documentary films screening and a 3 day public discussion program in 28 cities or villages of South Caucasus.	68 275.00
		Sum:	80 943.00

Other expanses:

Costs for project development, selection and monitoring, seminars, conferences, meetings and travels

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		Sum:	570 705
		Total amount for program activities:	570 705
	National Budget for Program Activities:	\$ 408 642	571 250
	Funding from other sources	Open Society Institute	24 107
Amount allocated to program		Amount allocated from other OSGF program budget	91 335
activities:		ODF, (does not include administration budget amount)	47 166
		Third Party -	



Allocated amount	Amount given to other OSGF programs	0	E45			
	Unallocated amount:	\$ 545	545			
Administrative budget (including funds received from other programs of the foundation): 6						
Total amount allocated to the program:			635 228			

East-East: Partnership Beyond Borders Program (Network Program)

The goal of East-East: Partnership Beyond Borders Program is to support the establishment of open society by means of exchange of information, experience, and knowledge among Eastern Euporean and post-Soviet countries.

The main priorities of East-East: Partnership Beyond Borders Program in 2008 included:

- Support of the development of civil society;
- Law and local self-government;
- Economic innovations during the period of economic transition;
- Public healthcare policy and innovations in social welfare;
- Environmental protection;
- European and regional integration.

Program Activities Open door projects:

Grant recipient	Project name	Brief description of implemented project activities	Project budget
The Greens Movement of Georgia (Friends of the Earth)	NGO Partnership in Support of Sustainable Development Processes	Representatives of the Estonian NGO Estonian Society for Nature Conservation visited Tbilisi for the purpose of sharing experience, conducting work meetings, and organizing trainings. The topics of the work meetings included: NGO Partnerships in Support of Sustainable Development Processes, Support of Local NGOs Involved in Social Development Initiatives, and Strengthening of Their Capacity.	14 325.00
Library-Cultural Center for People with Disabilities 'Tanadgoma'	Education without Borders	Step 1 of the project: For the purpose of sharing experience, one representative of the Ministry of Education of each of the following countries: Jordan, Bangladesh, Uganda, and Argentina and one representative of local NGOs involved in inclusive education in each of the abovementioned countries arrived in Tbilisi for a seven-day visit. They participated in the seminar Education without Borders and presented the analysis of the situation with inclusive education and disability in their countries.	20 730.00
Cultural- Humanitarian Fund 'Sukhumi'	Internally Displaced Women: Self- Organization and People's Diplomacy	Working meetings, trainings and round table meetings were organized in Azerbaijan and Georgia for internally displaced women's NGOs from Karabakh and Abkhazia. Experts, consultants and women leaders participated in the initiative. The goal of the working meetings was exchange of information and experience between organizations, promotion of a dialogue and collaboration between sides.	6 690.00
Tbilisi Public University 'Metekhi'	Connect Georgia	The goal of the project was to introduce the experience of the initiative Connect Latvia to Georgian students, young professionals and entrepreneurs. Working meetings were held with students of institutions of higher education majoring in business and economics, local and international NGOs, and governmental structures that work toward the stimulation of economic development.	4 400.00



Georgian Portage Association	Promoting Public Assistance in Georgia through Providing Training to Specialists Engaged with Children with Special Needs	The project stipulated provision of both theoretical and practical trainings to Georgian specialists engaged with children with special needs and representatives of local authorities. A special emphasis was placed on the regions where the process of integration of children with special needs into education systems is hindered.	6 194.00
Alliance for Patients' Safety, Georgia	Patients' Organizations of Eastern Europe and Asia for Patients' Rights and Safety	The regional working meeting of the countries of South Caucasus Patients' Organizations of Eastern Europe and Asia for Patients' Rights and Safety was organized. The goal of the project was to consolidate the efforts of partner organizations in the Caucasian Region in patients' safety and implement patient-centered healthcare principles.	15 270.00
Foundation for Development of Human Resources	Interethnic Relations and Tolerance: Sharing Experience among Georgian and Ukrainian Teachers	A working meeting on the issues of interethnic relations and tolerance was organized for specialists in Tbilisi and Crimea. Within the frames of the planned visit to Tbilisi, Ukrainian experts conducted trainings for Georgian educators. Georgian specialists/representatives of the Foundation for Development of Human Resources addressed the meeting on the results of conducted researches.	1 800.00
Ekaterine Siradze; Tamar Karosanidze; Tamar Zhvania; Nino Lomjaria	Election Monitoring and Propaganda	A visit to Mongolia on the part Georgian experts for the purpose of participation in the international seminar Election Monitoring and Propaganda and exchange of experience.	6 700.00
Khatuna Shubitidze; Maia Dvalishvili; Giorgi Kekelidze; Giorgi Latsabidze; Lela Bekauri; Ekaterine Abutidze; Rati Cheishvili	Free Legal Assistance in Poland, Georgia, Ukraine, and Armenia	Georgian specialists participated in an international conference held in Poland, Themis – International Academic Cooperation in the Sphere of Free Legal Assistance in Poland, Georgia, Ukraine, and Armenia. The subject matter of the initiative was mainly concentrated on legal education of the population. The goal of the project was to promote the quality of legal education and offer the citizens of the abovementioned countries an opportunity to learn more about the study of law.	7 595.00
Giorgi Gegelashvili	Patients' Organizations for Patients' Rights and Safety	A Georgian specialist participated in the international conference Patients' Organizations of for Patients' Rights and Safety held in Kiev, Ukraine. The main goal of the initiative was to create groups of local experts consisting of the participating countries' patients' organizations, state representatives of the healthcare sphere, and independent experts working in the sphere of patients' rights. The groups were designed subsequently to: a) promote the process of the collection and exchange of information about patients' safety in partner countries; b) support participating countries in the development of analytical commentaries on existent problems in the sphere of patients' safety and possible ways of solving them; and c) prepare for a meeting of representatives of the group of local experts in Kiev in order to discuss patient-centered healthcare issues and the creation of an international patients' protection group of experts.	620.00



Manana Kochladze	Threats and Benefits of Pipelines: Civic Response to Pipeline Development in Southeast Europe	A Georgian specialist participated in the international conference Threats and Benefits of Pipelines: Civic Response to Pipeline Development in Southeast Europe.	1 005.00
Meri Gelashvili; Khatuna Gogua; Gulnara Lakerbaia; Ala Gamakharia; Nanuli Ramishvili	Internally Displaced Women: Self- Organization and People's Diplomacy	Participation of a group of internally displaced women in the second round of work meetings within the frames of the project Internally Displaced Women: Self-Organization and People's Diplomacy held in Baku, Azerbaijan.	2 160.00
Irakli Kobulia	New Energy Routes in Southeast Europe and Human Rights Protection: Inter- Sectoral Dialogue	A Georgian specialist participated in the international conference New Energy Routes in Southeast Europe and Human Rights Protection: Inter-Sectoral Dialogue. The goal of the activity was to initiate an inter-sectoral dialogue concerning new energy routes in Southeast Europe and promote the Sisak (Croatia) Declaration and the South East European Pipeline Network of NGOs established in 2007, in Sisak; also, to lobby for the implementation of preventive measures in the sphere of environmental protection	1 115.00
Mikheil Shavdia; Ineza Sharikadze; Tamar Rukhadze; Rema Ghvamichava; Tamar Gotsiridze; Ioseb Abesadze; Mamuka Tatishvili	Safe and Adequate Palliative Care for Patients	Georgian specialists participated in a working meeting titled Safe and Adequate Palliative Care for Patients. The project consisted of four steps. Creation of work groups and preparation of reports took place in the initial stage. A work visit to Georgia was organized and gathered information was processed in stages 2 and 3 respectively. Within the frames of stage 4, a work visit to Ukraine was organized, during which the Ukrainian governmental structures (the Ministry of Healthcare, the Parliament) became acquainted with suggestions developed in the process of the implementation of the project.	4 270.00
Tamaz Kandareli; Erekle Astakhishvili; Maka Khvedelidze, Manana Kirtbaia	Connect Georgia	Georgian specialists participated in a working meeting held in Latvia and titled Connect Georgia. The main goal of the working meeting was study the best examples of Latvian experience and establish the organization Connect Georgia. This organization will represent a network of students, researchers, experts, and entrepreneurs involved in business sphere, which will assist students to accumulate experience in this field.	2 880.00
Alexander Rusetsky; Rusudan Simonidze; Avtandil Geladze; Elene Gvilava; Giorgi Maghradze; Lela Kacheishvili; Nino Chkhobadze; Nino Uridia	NGO Partnerships in Support of Sustainable Development Processes	Georgian specialists participated in a number of initiatives that took place in Estonia, namely: NGO Partnerships in Support of Sustainable Development Processes in Georgia; an annual conference organized by the Estonian Society for Nature Conservation and titled European Ecological Policy, during which more than five hundred local activists discussed ecological situation in Estonia and Europe; a professional growth training provided to Georgian participants by the Estonian Society for Nature Conservation, as well as a discussion concerning the development of a long-term project.	6 750.00
Davit Losaberidze, Levan Tsutskiridze	Process of European Integration in the GUAM Region	Georgian experts participated in the international conference Process of European Integration in the GUAM Region held in Kiev, Ukraine. The goal of the initiative was to formulate the priorities and aims of civil collaboration in the GUAM region in the context of European integration. Experts for Open Society Institute and other civil organizations from Georgia, Ukraine, Azerbaijan, and Moldova participated in the conference.	1 370.00



Giorgi Tarkhan- Mouravi	Effective Institutional Capacity for Combating Intolerance and Extremism in the Black Sea Region	The goal of the project was to develop initiatives for combating intolerance and extremism in the Black Sea Region and promote the involvement of civil society in this process.	1 100.00
Natia Niauri; Victoria Midelauri; Zoya Gagnidze; Gvantsa Ejibadze; Manana Barbakadze; Natia Kochlashvili; Nino Tsintsadze; Khatuna Dolidze	Promoting Social Integration of Special Needs Children	Theoretical and practical trainings were conducted to Georgian specialists and representatives of governmental institutions engaged with children with special needs. A special emphasis was placed on the regions were children with special needs are less involved in the process of education.	8 154.00
Artavazd Paspandyan; Karine Grigoryan; Gari Grigoryan; Artur Khachatryan; Artut Minasyan; Armen Grigoryan; Eduard Alvertsyan; Hermine Paspandyan	Development of Agro- Tourism and Support for Civil Society in Pankisi and Javakheti	Representatives of the Armenian diaspora in Javakheti participated in a training in agro-tourism and development of civil society held in Poland.	10 320.00

		Total amount spent on program a		153 021
	National Budget of Progr	am Activities	0	
	Funding from various sources	Open Society Institute (OSI)	153 021	153 021
Amount allocated for program activities		Funds received from other OSGF programs	0	
		Open Discretionary Fund (ODF)	0	
		Third party	0	

Unallocated funds	Funds rendered to other programs	0	
	Undistributed funds	0	0
Administrative budget (funds received from both	n OSGF national budget (\$ 13 017) and Open Society Institute		4 500
Total amount allocated for program activitie	S		157 521



Art and Culture Network Program

Art and Culture Network Program Open Society Institute – Budapest makes grants to individuals and organizations to implement projects that promote the building and development of open society through culture (namely, performing and visual arts).

Within the frames of this program, grants are made in four directions:

- Professional development: participation in seminars, trainings and educational programs, as well as implementation of researches
- Joint creative projects: promotion of partnership among representatives of art of the countries of Caucasus and Central Asia, Turkey, Afganistan, and Mongolia
- Development of social and cultural areas: making grants to support the development of NGOs involved in the field of arts
- Public events: organization of exhibitions, concerts, performances, and other types of cultural events.
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Grant recipient	Project Title	Brief description	Budget
Abkhazian Blind and Deaf-and-Blind Union 'Hera'	Building an Audio Recording Studio to Support Cultural Heritage of Ethnic Minorities Living in Georgia (Abkhazians, Ossetians).	An audiobook recording studio with semi-professional audiorecording equipment was built on the basis of the union 'Hera'. Actors and journalists were employed to record optic discs with works by Abkhazian, Ossetian, and Russian writers and folk tales in Georgian, as well as Georgian works in the abovementioned languages. Individuals with limited ability mastered the profession of a sound technician. A presentation of audio books was organized. The audio books were subsequently distributed by partner organizations on the territory of Abkhazia, and by 'Hera' on the territory of the Tskhinvali Region.	18 450.00
Vladimir Darakhvelidze	Public Masters Program at the Dutch Art Institute, Arnhem, Holland	In order to sustain his professional growth, a Georgian artist continued his education in the Dutch Art Institute in Arnhem, as part of of the Public Masters Program. The Masters Program was based on the desire of young artists and designers to use public space as a scene for interdisciplinary collaboration. During the educational course, the artist carried out many artistic activities/projects, participated in seminars, attended a course in schools of the Netherlands and the United States of America.	9 270.00
Charitable Foundation 'Red lab'	A New Production of Mozart's Opera <i>Don Giovanni</i>	A new production of Mozart's <i>Don Giovanni</i> was completed in compliance with the standards of contemporary opera, and employing multimedia technologies. The opera was staged as a result of collaboration between young Georgian and Armenian performers. The show of the performance was held in Yerevan; shows in Batumi, Tbilisi and other cities are also planned.	4 571.00
Georgian Ceramic Art and Craft Foundation 'The Clay Office'	Clay: A Means of Communication	An international symposium was held in Tbilisi that included various activities, such as seminars, exhibitions. Guests from abroad were given an opportunity to visit Georgian museums. They also attended lectures and presentations. At the conclusion of the symposium, an exhibition took place to display works created during the seminars. The seminars were held in the Academy of Fine Arts and the Ethnographic Museum, where clay was fired and works were created. The exhibition was accompanied by live folk music. A high kiln was purchased in Turkey as part of the project.	23 540.00



	Sleep Tight, You are a Citizen of Georgia	The goal of the project was to put Georgia's population into a positive post-war mood by means of contemporary art: visual arts, movies, and other branches of art. Various exhibitions were organized by artists. Each show aimed at the psychological and emotional rehabilitation of the population.	10 250.00
The Association "For Art"	Sergo Parajanov Yard	The project constitutes phase 1 of a long-term (three-year) program and aims at improving the stylized space of the Tbilisi yard, where various artistic activities resulted in the thematic exhibitions: <i>Modern Interpretation of Urban Culture</i> .	24 280.00
	Contemporary Fine Art Practice. Visual Arts. Geneva Universtity of Art and Design.	A Georgian artist's professional development through the practice of contemporary fine arts in the Geneva University of Art and Design; Establishment of relationship with other artists and professors for future collaboration; Implementation of the abovementioned experience in Georgia and development of this system in the Academy of Fine Arts.	8 400.00
	ā	Total:	98 761

	National Budget of Program	n Activities	0	
	Funding from various sources	Open Society Institute (OSI)	98 761	98 761
Amount allocated for program activities		Funds received from other OSGF programs	0	
		Open Discretionary Fund (ODF)	0	
		Third party	0	
Jnallocated funds	Funds rendered to other pro	ograms	0	
	Undistributed funds		0	0
Administrative budget (funds received from	m Open Society Institute for r	miact avaertica)		341



Civil Society and Media Support Program

The main goal of the Civil Society and Media Support program (CSMS) is to ensure active public involvement in decision-making, public control over ongoing reform process in Georgia and to strengthen civil society organizations oriented on problem solution. Also to support independent media as a tool for shaping public opinion and for supporting democracy and rule of law.

CSMS worked to achieve this goal by supporting development of institutional and professional capacity of civil society and media, as well as cooperation mechanisms.

2008 the Program has been focused on two directions:

- Support civil society development
- Support independent media development

Civil Society Support

Civil Society Support priorities for 2008:

- Support public involvement in decision-making and reform implementation process
- Support institutional development of civil society
- Support beginner NGOs and CBOs
- Support development of local funding sources for civil society

Program Activities

Competition projects

Grant recipient	Project title	Short description of project activities	Budget
Student Youth Council	Transparent Selfgovernence – The First Step	Improve and facilitate relations between citizens and municipality to increase efficiency and accountability. Strengthen citizens' role in municipality management process.	11910
Natela Giunashvili	Waste managment initiative in Dusheti Community	At the first stage of waste management to differentiate biowaste from other type of waste in the town of Dusheti	9778
Center for Civil education and Protection from Violence	Power of Powerless	Support civil society development in Kakheti region	9436
Anti-Corruption and Customer Rights Protection Association Sachino	Increasing Role of Landlords Associations in Problem Management	Development of landlords associations in Imereti region, development of cooperation among associations, stimulate cooperation between associations and municipality.	11858
		TOTAL	42 982

Open-door projects *

Grant recipient	Project title	Short description of project activities	Budget
Regional Centre for Human Rights Protection		Write, publish and distribute publications on cultural, architectural, and historic value of Old Batumi. Facilitate public involvement in the decision-making process on Old Batumi rehabilitation and development.	15000
Civil Society Support	Operational Project: Present draft Law on	Cover travel cost of the working group	1431



Direction	Institutional Funds Management (Law on Endowments) to the universities of Batumi, Kutaisi, Telavi and Gori.		
Taso Foundation	Community Centers for Public Responsibility in a Democratization Process	Establish and develop community centers in the village of Saniore of Telavi region. Organize seminars on small business management. Produce documentary highlighting life of rural population, women activists and the results of the project.	26678
Friendship Bridge Kartlosi	Association of Conflict Zone NGOs to Help Refugees.	Mobilize IDPs who suffered from the August 2008 combat operations, to protect their rights and interests, to ensure transparency in foreign aid and government programs after the crisis.	1 22000
		Total :	65 109

^{*} co-funded project

In-house projects

Program Direction	Project title	Project activities short description	Budget
Civil Society Support Direction	Operational Project: Generate Research-based PR Strategy for OSGF.	Fund tender winning company Sarke to do the research and to write the strategy.	13764
Civil Society Support Direction	Operational Project: Visit OSI to negotiate Media Support Program strategy.	Funding Executive Director's visit to OSI	1177
Civil Society Support Direction	In cooperation with Eurasia Foundation, British Council, US Embassy) Organize a conference Support of Local Funding Sources Development".	4 international experts travel, accommodation and honoraria	3477
		Total	18 418
		TOTAL	126 509



 $^{^{1}}$ Co-funded by OSGF Rule of Law and Public Administration Program's Public Administration Direction, budget ($53\ 370\ USD$, total budget pf the project – $75\ 370\ USD$).

Media Support Direction

- Media Support Program key priorities for 2008:
 Support development of media associations
 Support development of regional print media
 Support media education
- Support quality media production
- Support development of online media

Program activities Competition projects

Grant recipient	Project title	Project activities short description	Budget
Civil Development Agency	Independent Media for Kvemo Kartli Development	Management training for Timer newspaper; publish insert for Timer entitled Future Education in Georgian and Azeri languages. The insert will be dedicated to new projects and reforms implemented by the Ministry of Education.	9000
Independent newspaper Samkhretis Karibche	Regional Media for Public Trust	Prepare and adopt professional standards code for Samthkhe Javakheti, Kakheti and Imereti regions.	5992
Merab Balashvili	Samshvidobo Gazeti (Newspaper for peace)	Free Georgian language newspaper for Akhalgori population and refugees	9696
Independent newspaper "P.S."	Ethics Code for regional media	Prepare and adopt code of ethics for the newspaper.	5994
		Total:	30 682

Open-door projects *

Project title	Project activities short description	Budget
Web-site www.foreignpress.ge	Create online information source for Georgian readers accumulating news and analytical publications in the foreign press regarding Georgia and the region.	19795
Support to Georgian-Russian website - www.pankisi.info	Support bilingual Georgian-Russian analytical web-site	14457
Independent Media for Civil development	Integration of ethnic minorities in the South Caucasus using media as a tool to create common information space	1 24400
10 Minutes of Democracy	Produce three short documentaries focusing on fundamental rights of individual, politics and stories of human interest.	29816
Bar Camp Georgia 2008	Conference topics: development of alternative online media sources and blogging in Georgia.	13934
August Crisis and Georgian Media	Analyze reporting of Georgia-Russian war in 3 Georgian newspapers and 2 TV channels. Identify trends and challenges.	6920
	Web-site www.foreignpress.ge Support to Georgian-Russian website - www.pankisi.info Independent Media for Civil development 10 Minutes of Democracy Bar Camp Georgia 2008 August Crisis and Georgian	Web-site www.foreignpress.ge Create online information source for Georgian readers accumulating news and analytical publications in the foreign press regarding Georgia and the region. Support to Georgian-Russian website - www.pankisi.info Independent Media for Civil development Integration of ethnic minorities in the South Caucasus using media as a tool to create common information space Produce three short documentaries focusing on fundamental rights of individual, politics and stories of human interest. Bar Camp Georgia 2008 Conference topics: development of alternative online media sources and blogging in Georgia. Analyze reporting of Georgia-Russian war in 3 Georgian newspapers and 2 TV channels. Identify trends and



Studio Monitor	Investigative journalism for Democracy	Produce TV pieces of journalistic investigation and corresponding print versions.	3000
Dali Kuprava	Choice	Study and analyze social and political priorities; Raise public awareness; Stimulate civil activities.	8580
Union Studio Reporter	Documentaries on Human rights	Equipment for Studio Reporter	3404
Centre for Religious Pluralism	Creation of Interactive web portal	Web portal for analytical articles and discussion. www.azrebi.ge	16364
LTD Liberali	Print and online publication Liberali	Create print and online publication on social and political issues	90359
Union Imedi+	Educational and Informative Magazine for the Handicapped	Publish 2 issues of educational and informative magazine highlighting the issues of handicapped community.	4283
LTD Publicity Group	Regions.ge – be informed on regions	Create web portal for regional newspapers to update news and developments from the regions.	18390
Civil education and Protection from violence Centre	Web-site creation for Gurjaani TV	Create Gurjaani TV web-site aimed at expanding TV channels audience.	1515
		Total	255 217

¹ Financed by OSI Network Media Program (24 400 USD).

In-house projects

Program Direction	Project Title	Project activities short description	Budget
Media Support Direction	Operational Project: Develop OSGF PR strategy based on a research	Fund tender winning company Sarke to do the research and to develop the strategy.	4953
Media Support Direction	Operational Project: Visit OSI to Negotiate Media Support Program Strategy	Fund Executive Director's visit to OSI	2005
		Total	6 958
		Total:	292857

Partner projects

Partner organization	Project title	Project activities short description	Budget
European Journalism Centre	Journalists from EU Member States Visit Georgia	European journalists visit Georgia during April 17-20, 2008, to discuss ENP issues.	17314
		Total	17314

Project development, selection, monitoring, seminars, conferences, meetings and travel expenses:

2793



			Total	439 473
		Total amount for pro	gram activities:	439 473
	National Budget for Pr	rogram Activities:	320 000	
		Open Society Institute	24 400	467 073
Amount allocated to program activities:	Funding from other sources	Amount allocated from other OSGF program budget	90 359	
		ODF, (does not include administration budget amount)	15 000	
		Third Party	17 314	
Illocated amount	Amount give	en to other OSGF programs	27 484	27600
	Unallocated a	amount:	116	27000
Administrative Budget :				44 000

Total amount allocated to the Program from OSGF budget (including network funding)

PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM



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The aim of Public Health program is to encourage involvement of socially marginal groups in the development of public health policy together with the civil society organizations and to underscore the issue of healthcare and human rights.

In 2008 the directions of Public Health Program covered:

- Law, Media and Health;
- Mental Health Initiative;
- Harm Reduction related to injecting drug use;
- Palliative Care;
- Salzburg Medical Seminars;
- Psycho-social rehabilitation of internally displaced population;
- Transparency and monitoring of the public health budget.

LAW, MEDIA AND HEALTH

Law, Media and Health Initiative aims at developing and promoting protection of universally recognized human rights in healthcare and raising the sense of justice in the society in Georgia.

The principal aim of project is to promote appliance of law as one of the major tools for protection of human rights in healthcare system.

Law. Media and Health Initiative included:

- Protection of civil and social rights of patients and other marginal groups;
- Enhancement of understanding of healthcare legislation among the lawyers and healthcare personnel;
- Establishment and support of NGO coalition;
- Provision of legal aid to palliative care patients.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES NON-COMPETITION PROJECTS

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Public Defender's Office of Georgia	Human rights in mental healthcare – "Return to Society"	Monitoring human rights in closed psychiatric institutions	14 750
		Total	14 750

IH-HOUSE PROJECTS:

Program Direction	Project title	Brief description of activities implemented within the project	Project budget
Public Health Program	Law, Media and Health	Development of explanatory manual for lawyers "Healthcare law"; organization of round tables and establishment of coalition "Human Rights in Healthcare", development of its web-page; upgrading of health law curriculum; organization of trainings on media related issues for judges, prosecutors, lawyers and coalition; organization of trainings "Palliative care and human rights"	28 470
Public Health Program	Law, Media and Health	Introduction of an independent discipline "Healthcare law" at GIPA and Iv. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University for Master's program in law students	1 150
Public Health Program	Law, Media and Health	Expert work carried out by Givi Javashvili for Law and Health network and his participation as an expert in annual meeting "Law and Health" in Budapest on October 21-24, 2008.	800
		Total	30 420

OTHER EXPENSES:



MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE

Mental Health Initiative (MHI) aims to ensure that people with mental disabilities are able to live in the community and to participate in society with full respect for their human rights. The main objective of initiative is social inclusion of people with disabilities through the development of community-based alternative services.

In 2008 the priorities of Mental Health Initiative included:

- Access to education promotion of inclusive education;
- Prevention of institutionalization and development of community-based services.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

NON-COMPETITION PROJECTS

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description of activities implemented within the project	Project budget
The First Step Foundation	Integrated class of The First Step Foundation	Inclusion of children with mental disabilities in integrated classes, namely, setting up an integrated class at Tbilisi State School #10 for integration of the children with disabilities through formal or informal means.	4728
"Tanadgoma" Library and Cultural Center for People with Disabilities	"Today Children – tomorrow's future"	Preparation of children with special educational needs for inclusive education and their inclusion in general education process through individual study programs, namely, introduction of inclusive education in Batumi Public School #6.	18340
Children of Georgia	"Development of Family Support Service"	Supporting transformation of Tbilisi Infant House from a residential facility to a center providing family and community-based services for children with disabilities through developing alternate services and enhancing professional capacity of the personnel.	94 903
Psychometric and Consultancy Association	"Promoting Inclusive Education in Public School #20"	Promotion of inclusive education in Tbilisi Public School #20, assessment of pupils' mental development and ability of independent functioning by neuropsychologists and occupational therapists; development of slogan and logo of the school as a follower of inclusive education philosophy.	14 680
		TOTAL	132 651

OTHER EXPENSES:

Administrative budget, network staff visit, consultant's visit and training, participation in the Public Health Program	21 70)3	
annual meeting.			

HARM REDUCTION RELATED TO INJECTING DRUG USE

The aim of the Harm Reduction program is to reduce medical (including HIV related) and social harm related to injecting drug use.

In 2008 the priorities of Harm Reduction program included:

- Participation in Drug Policy Reform;



- Promotion of accessibility to drug dependence treatment program;
 Prevention and management of overdose cases.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

NON-COMPETITION PROJECTS

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Giorgi Pertenava, Nikoloz Ghambashidze, Zurab Sikharulidze	Addiction treatment study tour in Kazakhstan	Participation in Addiction Treatment Study tour in Kazakhstan, July 1-5, 2008	6 259
Sophia Todua, Medea Gogsadze	Drug policy seminar for journalists	Participation in Drug Policy Seminar for Journalists, Warsaw, Poland, June 7-9, 2008	2 220
Ludmila Avidzba, Zurab Danelia, Dimitry Tsiklauri	Eastern Europe and Central Asia AIDS Conference	Participation in Eastern Europe and Central Asia AIDS Conference, Moscow, May 3-5, 2008	5 050
Ludmila Avidzba	Salzburg Medical seminar	Participation in the seminar "Antiretroviral Therapy for Vulnerable Population", Salzburg, Austria, April 6-12, 2008	2 400
Tamaz Mchedlidze, Nino Balanchivadze, Marina Asatiani	Patient's Advocacy Study tour to Ukraine	Participation in patient advocacy study tour to Ukraine, March 27-30, 2008	3 850
Khatuna Todadze, Qetevan Bidzinashvili, Nino Janashia	Study visit to Drug Dependence Treatment Canters, Canada	Study visit to Vancouver Drug Dependence Treatment Canters, Canada, April 12-19, 2008	972
Alternative Georgia	Effectiveness of street drug testing	Drug legislation reform, changing repressive approach, allocation of sums in the state budget	6 050
Khatuna Kolotashvili	Effective treatment of drug dependence	Participation in the seminar "Effective treatment of drug dependence", Salzburg, July 13-20, 2008	1 230
Natalia Bolokadze	Antiretroviral Therapy for Vulnerable Population	Participation in the seminar "Antiretroviral Therapy for Vulnerable Population", Salzburg, Austria, April 6-12, 2008	751
Irakli Katsitadze, Akaki Lochoshvili	Improving procurement, supply and pricing system of antiretroviral and opioid substitution therapy medicines	Participation in the Seminar "Improving procurement, supply and pricing system of antiretroviral and opioid substitution therapy medicines", Kiev, Ukraine, March 4-8, 2008	1 124
		Total	29906

PARTNER PROJECTS

Partner Organization	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Union Step to Future	Overdose case management	Informing IDUs about "Naloxone", preparation of flyers, trainings for PEs on overdose management	2 157
Centre for information and counseling "Tanadgoma"	Prevention of blood-borne infections in Georgian prisons	Reducing the risk of blood-borne infections among the prison staff through information-education activities in three prisons	3 982
Union New Vector	Protecting interests and advocacy of rights of vulnerable groups	Conducting needs assessment on identification of needs of vulnerable groups, PEs training on legal issues; preparation of brochures on the human rights of vulnerable groups.	10 000
Association of	Cooperation for saving lives	Decrease of drug overdose cases and overdose related	11 401



Young physicians and psychologists "Xenon"	mortality rate in Georgia; upgrade of existing services and promotion of new, additional services by harm-reduction service organizations.	
Union Women's club "Peoni"	Enhancement of psycho-rehabilitative measures envisaged by "12 step" method in centre "Atlantis"; working with patients through art therapy.	1 000
	Total	28 540

IH-HOUSE PROJECTS:

Project Direction	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Public Health Program	Malaria program	Prevention of HIV/AIDs among IV drug users through needle exchange programs and voluntary counseling and testing centres (Tbilisi, Gori, Batumi, Zugdidi, Poti, Sukhumi)	324 366
		Total	324 366

OTHER EXPENSES:

Public Health Program	2 nd National Harm Reduction Conference	Organizations of 2 nd National Harm Reduction Conference, October 20-21, 2008	1 791
Public Health Program	Drug Policy International meeting	Organization of Drug Policy International meeting, October 22, 2008	9 359
Public Health Program	Workshop on prison issues	Organization of Workshop on the issues of prisons, November 28, 2008	6 297
		Total	17 447

Operational expenses for Network Program Coordinator, expenses for technical support, translation,	28 243	
publications, network program staff visit.		

PALLIATIVE CARE

Palliative Care Initiative aims at improving care of terminally ill patients. The initiative focuses on the vulnerable groups, as well as children and patients with cancer or AIDS.

In 2008 the priorities of Palliative Care Initiative included:

- Improving access to opioids and other drugs needed for effective management of pain and other symptoms;
- Perfecting legislative and normative basis.



PROGRAM ACTIVITIES NON-COMPETITION PROJECTS

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Janberidze Elene, Kavteladze Thea	Palliative care for nurses	Participation in the seminar "Palliative care for nurses", Salzburg, Austria, March 30 – April 5, 2008	1 707
		Total	1 707

PARTNER PROJECTS

Partner Organization	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Humanist Union	Promoting introduction of internationally recognized palliative care standards for chronically ill incurable patients into the National Healthcare System.	chronically ill, incurable patients into National	7 789
Tamar Rukhadze	Reimbursement of travel expenses related to participation in San-Diego Hospice and Palliative Care international study-practical course (4 th round)	Reimbursement of travel expenses related to participation in San-Diego Hospice and Palliative Care international study-practical course (4 th round)	2 000
Dimitry Kordzaya	Palliative Care Policy	Coordination of the national palliative care program by Dimitry Kordzaya	12 000
		Total	21 789

IH-HOUSE PROJECTS:

Program Direction	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Public Health Program	The Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Program "Extension of HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment, care and supportive measures"	Provision of palliative care to patients with AIDS	79 844
		Total	79 844

PSYCHO-SOCIAL REHABILITATION OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE

Mentioned direction aims at providing psychological aid and psycho-social rehabilitation to IDPs from South Ossetia who fled their homes during Russia-Georgian hostilities.

In 2008 the priorities of the direction were:

- Provision of psycho-social aid to those people who haven't returned to their home places and are located in the so called collective centers or other compact living settlements;



Psychological aid to internally displaced children.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

NON-COMPETITION PROJECTS

Grant recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Anti-drug centre of the Patriarchate of all Georgia	Psycho-social rehabilitation of IDPs from Shida Qartli and returning soldiers from battle zones.	Psycho-social rehabilitation of IDPs from Shida Qartli and returning soldiers from battle zones.	29 491
		Total	29 491

COMPETITION PROJECTS

Gran	t recipient	Project title	Brief description	Project budget
Centre Sciences	for Socia	Psychological aid to internally displaced children and youth		9 999
Georgian Coalition	Mental Healt	Psycho-social support to IDPs	Setting up of a multidisciplinary team of specialists for psychological assistance, Provision of psycho-social aid to IDPs in collective centers, delivering seminars to community heads and leaders' assistants.	9 910
			Total	19 909

TRANSPARENCY AND MONITORING OF PUBLIC HEALTH BUDGET

The direction aims at supporting civil society participation in monitoring and analyzing the budget for HIV/AIDS and other fields of public health and local resources and increasing transparency of the state funds in the mentioned fields.

In 2008 the direction priorities covered:

- Transparency and monitoring of public health budget; Establishment of tradition for healthcare budget monitoring.



PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

NON-COMPETITION PROJECTS

Grantee organization/individual/ initiative group	Project title	Brief description of activities implemented within the project	Project budget
Curatio International Foundation	evidence in elaborating policy	Promotion of cooperation between civil society and government; encouragement of application of evidence in elaborating policy and establishment of tradition of monitoring the budget.	16 564
David Otiashvili, Vano Tsertsvadze	Healthcare budget transparency and advocacy	Participation in OSI seminar "Healthcare budget monitoring and advocacy", Bucharest, October 16-19, 2008	1 523
		Total	18 087

Other expenses:

Expenses related to technical support and participation of program coordinator in conferences	22 41	

			Total:	842 672
		Total expenses for pro	ogram activities:	842 672
		National budget of program activities:		
		Open Society Institute(OSI):		***
Amount allocated for program activities:		Money from foundations' other programs		050 700
	Funding from other sources:	ODF (money allocated for administrative budget not included)	41 956	850 768
		Third party	404 210	
Jnused money	Money transferre	ed to foundation's other programs:		
	Unallocated:		8 096	8 096
Administrative budget (including r	money from ODF):			30 413
Fotal amount distributed from the	foundation's budg	et (including network money)		873, 085

Publications issued with support of the foundation in 2008

2	Author	Title	Brief description
	N. Mirzikashvili, M. Jibuti, M. Mestvirishvili, N. Kiknadze, T. Tsomaia	Curriculum "Health and Human Rights"	Curriculum for high school
	Public Defender's Office of Georgia	Human Rights and Mental Health	Report



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Centre for Constitutional Rights Project "Monitoring and Advocacy Project report	Georgian Harm Reduction Network		Report
of Drug Users' Rights"	Centre for Constitutional Rights		Project report
Women's club "Peoni" "12 steps method" Booklet	Women's club "Peoni"	"12 steps method"	Booklet
Women's club "Peoni" "12 steps method" Poster	Women's club "Peoni"	"12 steps method"	Poster

ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Open Society Institute Higher Education Support Program

The Open Society Institute's International Higher Education Support Program (HESP) launched the Academic Fellowship Program (AFP) in 2004 to support and guide higher education reform in South Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union (excluding the Baltic states), and Mongolia.

The aim of the program is to achieve lasting higher education reform by assisting progressive university departments and by supporting promising scholars who teach at these departments after they have returned from abroad with an internationally



competitive Master's or other postgraduate degree. Recognizing that universities play a fundamental role in strengthening civil society, AFP focuses on higher education reforms that will bolster open, democratic societies.

With the aim of meeting the needs of the constantly changing higher education environment and building open societies and promoting democratic values in Georgia, the OSI Academic Fellowship Program in 2007-2008 academic year has issued fellowships to 10 western educated Georgian scholars to teach at six AFP partner university departments. The Academic Fellowship Program budget for 2008 was US\$ 327,601. Total amount spent for program activities locally is US\$ 92,059.58.

AFP has funded six prominent International Scholars to work with the partner departments and help renew and improve curricula, develop existing and new programs and syllabi, lecture, and consult on academic issues.

AFP has also issued grants and organized cross-discipline meetings to promote professional development of the next generation of university academics along with reform of departments, thus making them one of the key platforms and catalysts for promoting higher education reforms in Georgia.

2008 PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Departmental Development Program

Objective	AFP assists reform-minded university departments in their efforts to achieve world-class academic stature and become models of innovation and reform in their region.
Recipients in 2008	Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Direction of Psychology
	Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Faculty of Law
	Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Center for Social Sciences, Gender Studies Program
	Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Center for Social Sciences, Program "Transformation in the South Caucasus"
	Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Direction of International Relations
	Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Direction of Political Science

Returning Scholars Fellowship Program

Objective	The program, as part of a conscious strategy to combat "brain drain" in the social sciences and humanities, supports talented scholars who, after earning a Master's or other postgraduate degree abroad, seek university positions and academic careers in their home countries.
Recipients in 2008	The program provided financial, professional, and departmental development support to ten returning Georgian scholars in following fields: Psychology – 1 scholar International Relations – 2 scholars Law – 3 scholars
	Political Science – 3 scholars Gender Studies – 1 scholar

International Scholars Fellowship Program

Objective	The program selects highly qualified scholars in the social sciences and
	humanities to assist AFP partner departments where Returning Scholars are
	placed. The International Scholars advise on the overall reform agenda of the
	departments and share with departmental colleagues the latest developments in
	their discipline, collaborate on the introduction of new courses, and encourage the
	development of skills critical to academic work.



Recipients in 2008	AFP has funded six prominent International Scholars in following disciplines:
	- Psychology
	- International Relations
	- Law
	- Political Science (2 scholars)
	- Gender Studies
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Professional Development Fund

Objective	The aim of the program is to support professional development of AFP Returning Scholars.
Grants issued in 2008	AFP issued two grants to Returning Scholars to attend Jean Monnet International Summer Course "Integrating Europe in a Changing World" held at the University of Rome Tor Vergata and targeted for PhD students and university professors. Participation in the seminar proved to be a much needed resource not available in Georgia and has contributed to the scholars ongoing PhD research counting as eight ECTS credits towards their degree.

Total amount spent for	Program Activities:		92,059.58
		National Program Budget:	
Program Budget:	Different Funding	Open Society Institute (OSI):	
	Sources:	Other Programs:	
		Open Disbursement Fund (ODF)(Does not include admin budget):	
		Third Source:	
Unallocated:	Amount transferred to	other programs	
	Unallocated:		
Admin Budget (Region meetings/conferences)		es, amount includes budget for	92,059.58
Amount tranfered from amount):	the Foundation's budget to p	program (including Network	92 060



Economic Development

In-house project

Program direction	Project Title	Budget
	The in-house project "Training and self-employment of the ex service men"	11,491
		11,491

Non-competition projects *

Grant recipient	Project Title	Budget
	Helping small and medium business in Gali district	3,600
		3,600

Grant recipient	Project Title	Budget
Project designing, selection, monitoring, arranging workshops, conferences and travel expenses	Helping small and medium business in Gali district	7,071
		3,600

TOTAL	22,162

	National Budget of program activities:		210 000	
		Open Society Institute	0	
		Other programs co-funding	0	
Amount assigned for program activities	Funding from different sources	Open Discretionary Fund (ODF), excluding amount assigned for administrative budget	0	210 000
		Third party	0	

Undisbursed amount	Amount disbursed for other programs	187 830	107	7 020	
	Unallocated	8	107	030	

Administrative budget		34 500

Total amount assigned for the RLPA Program from OSGF budget (including network program)	56 662

The Economic Program was closed out in the second half of 2008

