GOAL 1: NO POVERTY

Our mission: assist vulnerable populations, increase access to basic resources and services, and support communities affected by conflict and climate-related disasters.

KEY ISSUES

People without decent jobs face higher risks of poverty and exclusion from social services and social protection.

Women’s unemployment rates are 13% higher than men’s in Central Asia.

8 in 10 young people in the Western Balkans don’t have jobs.

4 in 10 Roma families went to bed hungry at least once in the last month.

QUICK LOOK IN THE REGION

In 2015, 29% of young people were unemployed in Georgia.

In Kazakhstan, women’s unemployment rate is 50% higher than men’s.

In Armenia, 30% of the population lives below the national poverty line.

MOVING FORWARD

In FYR Macedonia, a self-employment program helped lower the national unemployment rate from 37% in 2005 to 25.5% in 2015.

In Turkey, raising state budget spending on social care services up to OECD levels would generate an estimated 719,000 social care jobs.

In Kyrgyzstan, yearly remittances reduce the number of people living below the national poverty line by 250,000-300,000.