

## "PER SFIDARE IL SENSO DI UNA NUOVA RESPONSABILITÀ VERSO LA CITTÀ"

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Fondazione Charlemagne, is a private philanthropic foundation based in Rome (<https://www.fondazionecharlemagne.org/en/>)

In March 2020 Fondazione Charlemagne launched “Periferiacapitale” ([www.periferiacapitale.org](http://www.periferiacapitale.org)): the first community development program ever implemented for the City of Rome.

Periferiacapitale relies on some relevant partners:

**The Grassroot organizations**, different per types, belief and origin: non-profit organizations, civil society organizations, social cooperatives, parishes, volunteering organizations, various local actors.

Organizations are involved in the program according to their needs, to their specific consistency to strengthen community action in the territory in which they intervene.

These organizations work for the communities where they are based.

The approach of periferiacapitale sees the sharing of objectives and goals with the organizations, followed by “planning together” specific actions/activities, according to both local needs identified and “potential” of the community.

## **Public Universities**

The three public universities based in Rome participate to Periferiacapitale with surveys, research, studies, designed to analyze inequalities, educational poverty, integration of migrants, civil and human rights, environment.

Departments involved are: Sociology, Economics and Urban Planning, Architecture.

Key findings of the different urban suburbs provide comparable data on the state of inequalities, local welfare system, public housing, urbanization, etc.

The results are fundamental for new proposals, advocacy and lobbying, to call municipalities to action and to raise awareness of the intervention of the local public administration.

[https://www.fondazionecharlemagne.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Roma\\_Tre\\_periferie\\_a\\_confronto.pdf](https://www.fondazionecharlemagne.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Roma_Tre_periferie_a_confronto.pdf)

University of Tor Vergata – Open Impact did the social impact evaluation of the first year (<https://www.openimpact.it/Home/ChiSiamo>)

## **Municipi**

Since 1972, the city has been divided into 15 “municipi” created for administrative reasons to increase decentralization in the city.

Each Municipio is governed by a president and a council who are elected by its residents every five years.

Periferiacapitale is now trying to strengthen the cooperation with Municipi, through MOUs according to the PPP principles, to launch community funds (through our foundation) as Municipi are not eligible to receive private sector funds (regardless of the source / nature of the funds).

A first MOU was recently signed on a 5 years term.

### **Area of intervention:**

Outskirts and suburbs of Roma.

Periferiacapitale is in 13 out of 15 Municipi (some of them count more than 350.000 inhabitants).

### **Fields of intervention**

- 1) social welfare;
- 2) culture;
- 3) environment.

### **Typology of projects**

Community development;

Contrast and reduction of inequalities;

Defense of human rights;

Promotion of active citizenship;

Education;

Sport for inclusion.

### **Why periferiacapitale?**

Rome lacks of the common strategic action by the Philanthropic Sector.

Till now, there hasn't been the opportunity to establish community foundations in Rome as well as other towns in Italy.

The poverty rates are growing. Social, economic, cultural indicators show that many inhabitants live in poverty and the number of vulnerable groups is increasing. The pandemic, together recent energetic crisis, has amplified existing discrimination.

In few words, poverty is now opening the doors to misery, understood as a condition of isolation that envelops the poor, without access to the welfare system, to relationships that can prevent and contain hardship.

In the long term, we are confident that there will be a community capacity to take care of people, to call the public administration to a new administrative and social approach of the city, which puts the dignity of the person at the center.

### **Allocation of Resources:**

The program includes:

#### Financial resources - grants for:

The grass-root organizations' activities, through **core funds**;

The capacity building of the organizations, through **training courses**, according the needs identified together with the partner organizations;

The strategic **co-financing**, to enable ngos and npos to apply for public funds (at EU, national and local level).

#### Non-financial resources:

4 experts of Fondazione Charlemagne are dedicated to Periferiacapitale: there are skills in communication, capacity building, administration, training design. They put together a diverse set of players (grantees, public sector other large system actors) to design and implement some cross sectors initiatives.

List of partners (II Year Report):

<b>Municipio</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Notes</b>
V – VI - VII	Antropos - Tor Sapienza	Antropos is a social cooperative working in Tor Sapienza area since 20 years. Target groups: Children and youth at risk - mental health- mental disorders. Local partner: local health public services Activity: to bridge mental health care since the public system was interrupted for the pandemic. <a href="https://www.antroposonlus.org/">https://www.antroposonlus.org/</a>

XI	Calcio Sociale - Corviale	Calciosociale works in Corviale since a decade Target groups: Children and youth Activity: Sport for inclusion and prevention; community engagement <a href="https://www.calciosociale.it/storia/">https://www.calciosociale.it/storia/</a>
IV	Liberi Nantes - Pietralata	Liberi Nantes is a non-profit, independent, non-religious, nonpolitical and entirely volunteer-based sportive association, founded in Rome in 2007 in order to promote and spread game and sportive practice as fundamental tools for human growth and social inclusion. Target groups: Children and youth, Italian and Migrants Activity: Sport, Education, Community engagement <a href="https://www.liberinantes.org/en/programma-periferiacapitale/">https://www.liberinantes.org/en/programma-periferiacapitale/</a>
IX	Ponte d'incontro – Laurentino 38	Ponte di incontro was founded in the 90' to prevent early school leaving, educational and cultural poverties. Target groups: Children and youth – Fragile families Activity: psychological and psychiatric assistance. Support to families, non-formal education. <a href="http://www.pontedincontro.net/chi-siamo/">http://www.pontedincontro.net/chi-siamo/</a>
IV	Trama – San Basilio	Trama is a volunteering org. composed by social operators who manage the only centre for educational, social and solidarity services serving people living in public housing. Target groups: families, children and youth. Activity: educational activities, social support to prevent drug addiction; artistic events.
VII	Cinecittà Bene Comune	Local network focusing on social and urban requalification of cultural and community spaces. Target groups: the community Activity: various, including vocational training course for unemployed people. <a href="https://it-it.facebook.com/cinecittabenecomune.ilmunicipiodegliacquedotti/">https://it-it-facebook.com/cinecittabenecomune.ilmunicipiodegliacquedotti/</a>

X	S. Egidio - Ostia	<p>The Community of S. Egidio (since 1960) has developed a way to be sensible to all forms of poverty, whether old or new and emerging.</p> <p>Target groups: Homeless, Disabled, Elderly, Children</p> <p>Activity: social and legal assistance, after school activities.</p> <p><a href="https://www.santegidio.org/pageID/1/langID/en/HOME.html">https://www.santegidio.org/pageID/1/langID/en/HOME.html</a></p>
VIII	Custodes Aurorae - Municipio Solidale	<p>Local network (since 2014) who manages a public building through which engages the community in facing local needs</p> <p>Activity: community engagement; capacity building, social and legal assistance.</p> <p>Target groups: local community</p> <p><a href="https://www.custodesaurorae.org/">https://www.custodesaurorae.org/</a></p>
I	Spin Time Labs - Esquilino	<p>Spin time takes care for 400 persons - migrants and Italian - who occupied a building in the city centre and transformed it in a social hub.</p> <p>Target groups: 120 children of the building, people of the area using the social hub.</p> <p>Activities: housing rights, social assistance, educational and cultural projects for the families, co-working for inhabitants of the area.</p> <p><a href="https://www.periferiacapitale.org/spin-time-labs-e-un-bene-comune/">https://www.periferiacapitale.org/spin-time-labs-e-un-bene-comune/</a></p>
VIII	Comù - Ostiense	<p>The project aims at supporting the social “change” of a public building into a residential popular building with the Next Eu generation funds. Periferiacapitale supports the opening of the area, the involvement of the community, cultural activities</p> <p>Partner: University Rome 3.</p>
XI	Disambigua - Magliana e Trullo	<p>Periferiacapitale supports, through core funds, a number of organizations of the area for implementing a wide program of social and cultural activities, to promote the area and prevent urban and social decay.</p>

		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/Disambiguas/">https://www.facebook.com/Disambiguas/</a>
XII	Percorsi di cittadinanza - Pisana	<p>Percorsi di cittadinanza is a social cooperative based in “Città dei ragazzi” a small “town” created after the II World War to take care of orphans and unaccompanied minors.</p> <p>Periferiacapitale supports a huge program of requalification of the local community, according the vision and the values of the Integral Ecology. The objective is to create a community centre able to connect the energies of the surrounding areas of Pisana and Malagrotta.</p> <p><a href="https://www.percorsidicittadinanza.org/">https://www.percorsidicittadinanza.org/</a></p>
X	Comitato di quartiere Centro Giano/Acilia Nord	<p>The neighborhood committee Centro Giano supports and take care of the right of the elderly of the community</p> <p><a href="https://it-it.facebook.com/cdqcentrogiano/">https://it-it.facebook.com/cdqcentrogiano/</a></p>
X	La Rada - Idroscalo	<p>Support to the local civic committee, based and animated by the Parish.</p> <p>Target groups: local community</p> <p>Activities: social activities, professional training, job placement</p> <p>Partner: Diocese of Rome, pastoral care of the work.</p>
XIII	Aurelio in Comune - Bastogi	<p>Aurelio in comune is a non-profit spontaneous network, made up of small associations, volunteers and religious, which guarantee a presence of proximity in the neighborhood of Bastogi public housing area.</p> <p>Activities: Social care, food provision, after school activities, towards a community path.</p> <p>Target groups: Bastogi inhabitants</p> <p><a href="https://www.instagram.com/aurelio.incomune/">https://www.instagram.com/aurelio.incomune/</a></p>
III	Astra - Tufello	<p>Civic Centre</p> <p>Social care and Cultural activities.</p>
<b>Culture</b>		
I	Apollo 11	Grant to support the historic cinema room Apollo 11 dedicated to the animation of the Esquilino district and documentary cinema
I-V-XI	Cinema America	<p>Association of young social entrepreneurs who organize cultural initiative over the year to relaunch cinema as a cultural activity for the community</p> <p><a href="https://piccoloamerica.it/">https://piccoloamerica.it/</a></p>

V	Ecomuseo Casilino	Museum dedicated to the migrants Partner: Ministry of cultural heritage
City	Labsus	Annual Report on common goods and solidarity pacts in Rome. Schools of Citizenship.
City	Sveja	Daily radio (podcast) review with news about the city, by expert journalists who volunteer to provide a wide information on what happens in Rome everyday.
City	Open City	Open House: a cultural review that tells the city through the exploration and discovery of its neighborhoods
III	Spin-Off	Every year, in a small park of Vigne Nuove area, "Cinema Oltre" organizes a cultural and film festival that animates the community during the month of August.
I-V	Scuola di Donato	Pangea is a project that promotes Art in some precarious housing situations in Rome, by making a documentary. The work is attended by professional directors and technicians on a voluntary basis.
VIII	Casetta Rossa	Historical Festival of the Municipio VIII, to promote Art, Cinema and Culture over three months during the summer. Periferiacapitale co-finances the activity.
X	S. Egidio	The Disintegration project is promoted by the Community of S. Egidio. Periferiacapitale supports the artistic workshop for the disabled. Some of the laboratory's works are exhibited at the Venice Biennale.