

Agro Program Helps Landless Roma Families in Bulgaria

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The "LAND - Source of Income" program has provided financial assistance to 80 Roma families so that they can start an agricultural business. Photo by money.bg

80 **Roma** families from the Plovdiv region in southern Bulgaria have received financial assistance to start an **agricultural** business.

The "**LAND - Source of Income**" program with the support of the America for Bulgaria Foundation are offering low-interest micro-credit schemes so that the landless **Roma** families can purchase **land** and **agricultural** equipment and have access to a certain amount of working capital.

Some of the participants in the program have developed businesses which won **subsidies** under operational programs managed by the State Fund Agriculture.

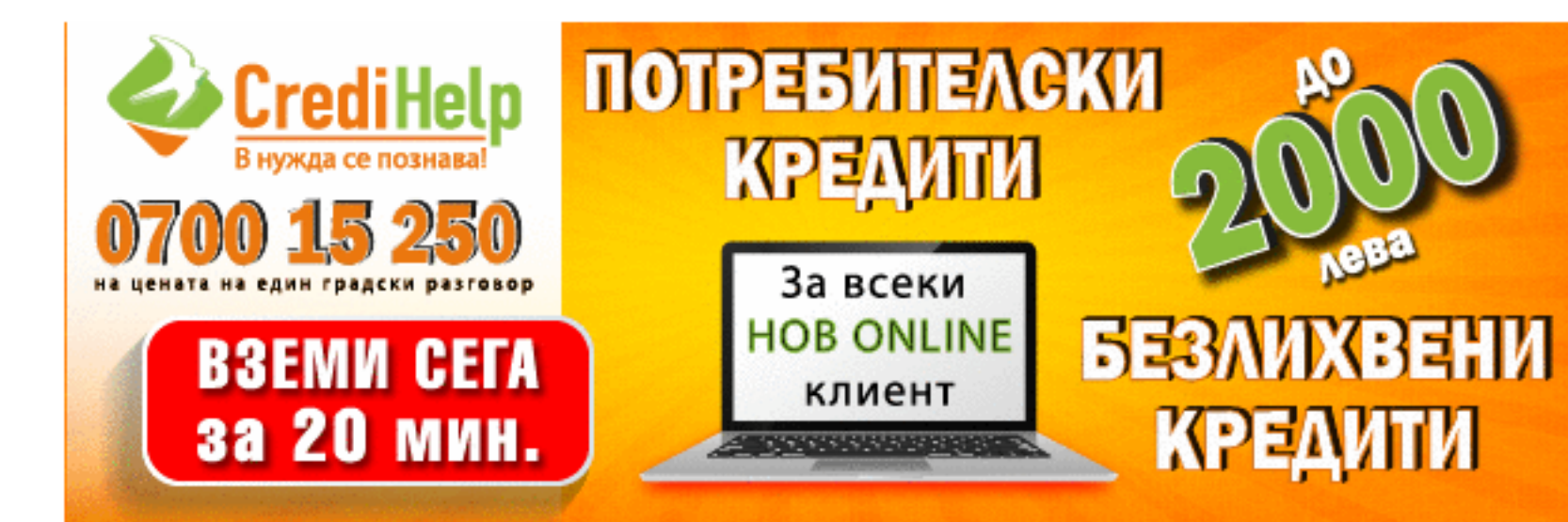
The aim of the **LAND - Source of Income**" program is to provide **land** and employment to landless people from the minorities.

The initiative has already helped for the creation of small **agricultural** businesses in Perushtitsa, Parvomai and the villages near Plovdiv and Pazardzhik.

Ilia Iliev from the village of Chaloukovi near Plovdiv has bought 32 decares of arable **land** on a low-interest loan which he will be paying back to the foundation for 5 years.

He is growing peppers, tomatoes and garlic.

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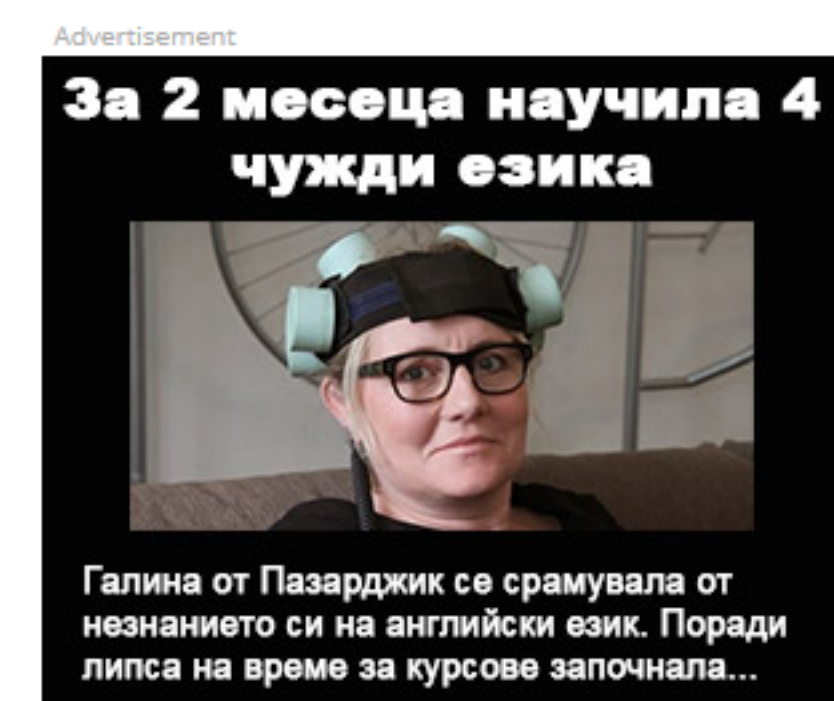
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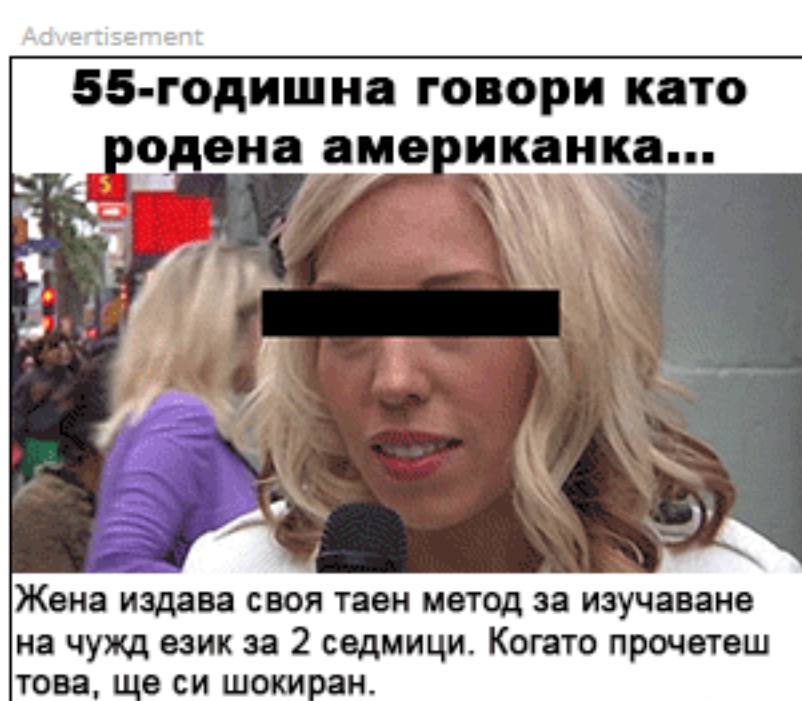
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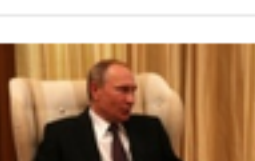
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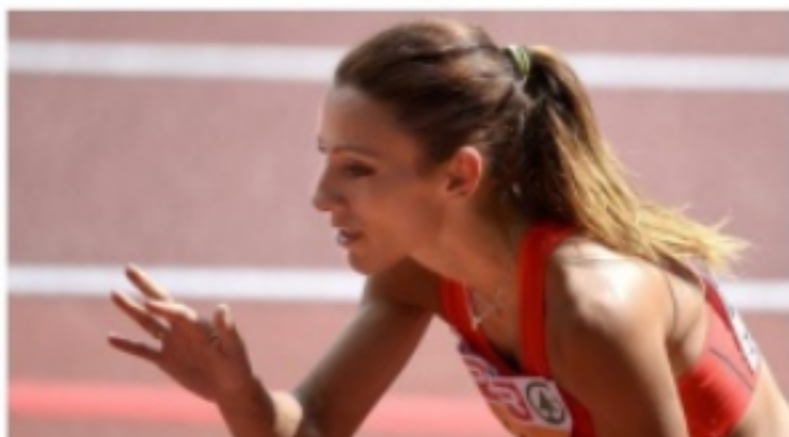
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