



## KRCT – IMPACT AT A GLANCE | 2025

**Kosovo Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims [KRCT]** delivers measurable change for survivors of torture and conflict-related sexual violence by combining specialized services with strategic advocacy. In 2025, KRCT translated support into concrete results for survivors, institutions, and Kosovo's transitional justice process.



### RESULTS IN NUMBERS

- ✓ **604 survivors** have benefited from psychosocial, medical and legal services.
- ✓ **1485 individual, group and family services** are delivered.
- ✓ **38 child victims of sexual abuse** received psychosocial and legal support.

#### Legal wins:

- **12 indictments** have been filed, and **4 cases** [2 in absentia] have concluded with final judgments, resulting in **3 convictions** for sexual violence.
- To date, **a total of 58 years of imprisonment** have been imposed on four defendants.
- Through court representation, KRCT has secured retroactive survivor **recognition and compensation**, including **€24,000** awarded after 7 years and **€13,000** after 3 years.
- Secured **dual pension rights** to **3 cases** along with retroactive compensation totaling **€24,600**.

- ✓ **80 professionals** are trained in trauma-informed approaches.
- ✓ **32 awareness-raising activities** have challenged stigma and silence.



### KRCT and Feride Rushiti Nominated for the 2025 Nobel Peace Prize

Feride Rushiti and the **Kosovo Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims** have been nominated for the **Nobel Peace Prize 2025**, proposed by Swedish MP **Magnus Jakobsson**. The nomination recognizes more than two decades of commitment to survivors of torture and conflict-related sexual violence, and above all, the courage of survivors who have given direction and meaning to our work.





## 2025 SPOTLIGHT

### Breakthrough in Stigma Reduction: My voice, My Strength

In 2025, **Ramadan Nishori** became the first male survivor of conflict-related sexual violence in Kosovo to speak publicly, supported by KRCT through ethical, survivor-led advocacy. This marked a critical milestone in recognizing male survivors, breaking entrenched stigma, and expanding public and institutional understanding of conflict-related sexual violence.



### Justice for Survivors of Wartime Sexual Violence

KRCT has played a leading role in **advancing justice for survivors of wartime sexual violence**. Since 2018, we advanced justice for survivors of war-related sexual violence through court representation, securing convictions, victim recognition, retroactive compensation, and dual pension rights.



### International Human Rights Award

**Feride Rushiti**, Director of KRCT, was honored by AAB College with the **International Human Rights Award 2025**. The award belongs above all to survivors of wartime sexual violence and torture who broke the silence and sought justice.



### KRCT Anniversary: 26 Years of Care, Hope and Justice

KRCT marked **26 years of restoring dignity**, protecting human rights, and advancing justice for survivors of wartime sexual violence in Kosovo. The anniversary celebrated the **courage of survivors**, highlighted the importance of **documenting the truth**, and recognized individuals who have broken the silence and inspired hope for others.





## Dignity and Empowerment of Survivors: Safe Room Inaugurated at the Basic Court of Pristina

The 'Safe Room' provides survivors with a secure, supportive environment to prepare for and give testimony, offering privacy, psychological and legal support, and measures to protect their dignity throughout judicial proceedings.



## European of the Year Award: Honoring Courage, Dignity, and Justice

**Feride Rushiti**, Executive Director of **Kosovo Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims**, was named **European of the Year by the European Union Office in Kosovo**. The award recognizes KRCT's long-standing commitment to survivors and human rights advancement. It is dedicated to the thousands of survivors whose courage shaped our mission.



## Forward Focus – 2026

- ✓ Expand proven psychosocial and legal support for more survivors
- ✓ Strengthen access to reparations and justice through policy advocacy
- ✓ Extend family and intergenerational trauma support
- ✓ Improve data systems to clearly measure results and impact

26+ years of proven commitment  
Trusted leadership in justice and survivor recovery