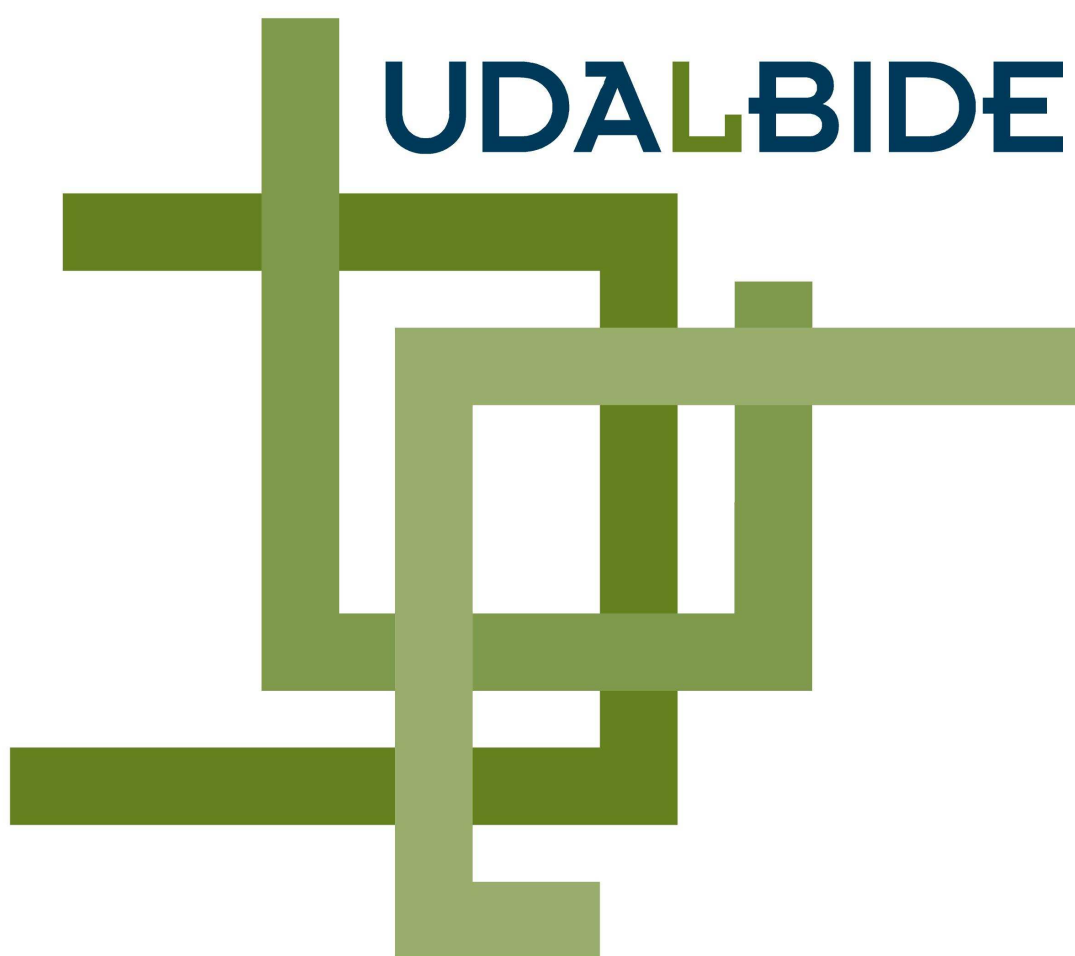


# ACTIVITIES 2002



## **0. General situation**

Udalbide has spent the past year carrying out the same line of work as always: helping and promoting projects and initiatives regarding Euskera, Basque culture, the media in Euskera, the environment, the world of work and Basque sports. It has also set up the association's website: [www.udalbiltzainfo.com](http://www.udalbiltzainfo.com)

## **1. Activities**

All the initiatives carried out were developed in areas of competence of town councils.

Udalbide has maintained relations with many citizens and associations. It has listened to their concerns, providing assistance insofar as it has been able to do so. Associations, the media and schools, etc. have been the ones who have received aid from Udalbide, all of them from Euskal Herria, although aid has been especially destined for Nafarroa and Iparralde.

## GRANTS AWARDED IN 2002: 561.132 €

<b>IPARRALDE</b>	<b>252.000 €</b>
<b>Education</b> ✓ <b>SEASKA</b>	240.000
<b>Culture</b> ✓ <b>MENDIZOLAN Elkarte</b>	12.000

<b>EUSKAL HERRIA</b>	<b>25.000 €</b>
<b>Education</b> ✓ <b>UEU</b>	25.000

<b>NAFARROA</b>	<b>284.132 €</b>
<b>Education</b> ✓ <b>Nafarroako Ikastolen Federakuntza</b>	210.000
✓ <b>SORTZEN</b>	21.000
<b>The media</b> ✓ <b>EUSKALERRIA Irratia</b>	5.782,55
<b>Culture</b> ✓ <b>Euskara Kultur Elkargoa (EKE)</b>	42.000
✓ <b>ORREAGA Elkarte</b>	5.000

UDALBIDE publishes the fascicle "***Euskal Herria ezagutzen***". This booklet contains basic details about Euskal Herria via photographs: population, economy, Euskera and society, etc. A million copies were published, to be distributed throughout Euskal Herria, in town councils and associations, etc.

**HURBILTZEN:** This initiative is a twinning programme between municipalities of Euskal Herria, the aim of which is to enable municipalities and citizens to cultivate their relations in order for us to get to know each other better, appreciate each other, collaborate and share values and projects that we have in common. The twinings are being carried out in collaboration with territorial socio-economic institutions and agents and are related to the promotion of Euskera, culture, sports, town and country planning and the social and economic development of all the territories of Euskal Herria. Although each *herrialde* (territory) has its own characteristics, we share a common basis that characterizes us and enriches us: Euskera.

Collaboration is promoted based on the following areas:

- Municipal management
- Euskera (services provided by town councils in Euskera *Euskaltegis* (Basque language schools), linguistic immersion, etc.)
- Education (schools, students and teachers)
- Local product fairs
- Environment, sustainable development
- Tourism and leisure
- Economic development and business
- Culture (song, music, theatre, dance, film, museums, plastic arts, etc.)
- Gastronomy and farm products
- Handicrafts
- Sports
- Traditions
- Senior citizens

Lastly, UDALBIDE is embarking on several initiatives with the **Basque Diaspora**. It maintains close relations via its website with several agents from the Diaspora. Udalbide is aware of the force represented by the Basque Diaspora in favour of a more united and solid Euskal Herria. For its part, Udalbiltza<sup>®</sup> thanked and congratulated the Idaho Parliament for its declaration.