

Project: "Overcoming the Fears of War through Friendship and Support"

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Place: Chişinău

Project period: 6 months (Jule – December 2022)

Beneficiaries: 10 children and their mothers from Ukraine (refugees) and 10 children and their mothers from Moldova (Chişinău)

The aim of the project is to help and support children from Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova, including their mothers, to cope with the problems they face currently; creating a favorable climate for the development and training of children according to age and improving their living conditions.

Project description:

Following the consequences of the war in Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova is hosting thousands of Ukrainian refugees, temporarily settled on its territory, including in the city of Chisinau.

In this context, the SI Club of Chisinau in collaboration with the "Dacia" Center under the Municipal Directorate for the Protection of Children's Rights (DMPDC), come up with a proposal for a project that would help 10 Ukrainian children (7-14 years) and their mothers to adapt more easily to new living conditions together with 10 Moldovan children (7-14 years old) and their mothers, who also need support and help to survive in the current complicated times.

The project envisages the organization of various activities aimed at facilitating communication between children and their mothers, including overcoming the stress and anxiety caused by the war in Ukraine and integrating them into society.

The activities will be instructive-educational and cultural: lessons-seminars on managing stress and negative emotions caused by war, creative workshops, fun and sports games, trips, including material help. The activities indicated in the project will be carried out with the support of specialists in the field.

Children - beneficiaries of the project are in the records of the Directorate for the Protection of the Rights of the Child, Chisinau Center sector. The activities provided in the project will take place at the Community Center for Children "Dacia", which is offered free of charge for the implementation of the project.

The project activities will include:

1. The initiative group aims to identify the beneficiaries of the project - 10 children and their mothers - refugees from Ukraine and 10 children with their mothers from the Republic of Moldova, who will be the beneficiaries of the project.
2. At the same time, specialists will be selected who will contribute professionally to the implementation of the activities provided by the project (pedagogues, psychologists, doctors, social workers, lawyers.)
3. Lessons-seminars on various topics for the development and training of children, according to age, including for parents (teacher, psychologist, social worker, doctor, lawyer) - 1 per week - a total of 30 activities.
4. Creative workshops (drawing, modeling, cutting, collage, making objects from various materials, decorative art, etc. - 1 per week - a total of 30 activities.
5. Fun and sports games (competitions) - 2 per week - a total of 60 activities.
6. Excursions (museums, historical places, pensions, monasteries, etc. - 2 per month - total 12 activities
7. Financial support for each child and for each mother (for clothing, footwear, food, school supplies, etc.)

Appropriate teaching materials and equipment are required for the successful conduct of the activities. Thus, procurement is planned under the project framework of a microwave oven and a tea kettle in the kitchen and 20 chairs for the activities.

The project activities shall include (based on the recommendations of the social pedagogues of the Community Center in Chisinau.

Dimension 1

- Sessions of psycho-pedagogical support from the specialists;
- Organizing creative workshops (depending on the children's skills - drawing, applications, making objects, toys, constructor, etc.);
- Cognitive excursions;

Dimension 2

- Sessions of psycho-pedagogical support from the specialists;
- Instructive-educational seminars;
- Roundtables (on topics suggested by parents, children, pedagogues).

The project includes the provision of financial support to 20 beneficiaries. The project is developed for a 6-month period of time.

The time schedule of activities:

Months	Month I	Month II	Month III	Month IV	Month V	Month VI
Project activities						
Selection of group of children - 20 children, 20 parents Selection of psiho-pedagogues						
Getting in contact/meeting with the beneficiaries' families, conduct initial interviews, initial intervention needs assessment						
Educational and social seminars for children and parents (cofee breaks, handouts, informational materials) 20 seminars						
Creative workshops (drawing, applications, builder, production of various items, objects, toys) etc. (procurement of materials) - (20 workshops)						
Outdoor games/competitions						
Excursions – 12 activities						
Project visibility activities: publication of one reference articles in the national press and organisation of one open presentation of the project with project beneficiaries and interested stakeholders. 1 Flashmob						
Evaluation of project activities, reporting						