

## ORGANIZATION PROFILE

### GENERAL INFORMATION

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| Organization Name                           | Keystone Human Services International Moldova Association  |
| Year of foundation                          | 2004   |
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| Number of staff with undetermined contracts | 4 persons  |
| Number of fulltime projects based staff     | 30 persons   |
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### MISSION & VISION

Keystone Moldova is a non-profit, nongovernmental organisation working to create opportunities where people can grow, exercise self-determination, and be participating, contributing and valued members of their society. The mission of Keystone Moldova is to promote and develop opportunities that will be in the form of consultant services, technical assistance, direct support service, best-practice training, monetary and administrative supports for ensuring the quality of life of individuals living in difficult social situations, including persons with disabilities, children with special education needs, abused children and women, families living in poverty, discriminated groups of population.

### TARGET BENEFICIARIES

- People with disabilities
- Children with special education needs
- Families / support persons of people with disabilities
- Central and local public authorities

### WHAT WE DO

- Deinstitutionalization and prevention of institutionalization
- Creating and developing community-based social services
- Capacity building
- Legal framework development
- Advocacy, Self-advocacy and Media advocacy
- Inclusive education
- Labour inclusion
- Social entrepreneurship
- Disability research
- Trainings in the social services field

### GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

Keystone Moldova is an organisation providing consultancy services nationally and internationally.

## **GOVERNING BODY**

The governing body of Keystone Moldova is the Board of Directors. The Board approves modifications to the Charter, defines the general guiding principles and strategy of the organization; approves the activity plan and annual budgets; appoints and recalls the President of the Board, the Executive Director and Censor; decides on funding projects which correspond to the goals of the organization; and examines the financial and activity reports. The Board of Directors meets routinely at least once every year or more frequently as needed.

## **PARTNERS / DONORS**

- UNICEF Kazakhstan
- Soros Foundation-Moldova
- Open Society Foundations/Mental Health Initiative
- Open Society Foundations/ Health Media Initiative
- Open Society Foundations/Early Childhood Program
- Delegation of the European Union to Moldova
- Keystone Human Services International US
- Embassy of the United States of America in Moldova
- United Nations Development Program
- East-European Foundation
- The Swedish Organization for Individual Relief - SOIR Moldova
- Czech Development Agency / Centre for Mental Health Care Development
- Children on the Edge
- SwissTPH (SDC)
- FHI 360<sup>0</sup> (USAID)
- Government of the Republic of Moldova ( Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Finance)
- Local Public Authorities
- Civil society organizations (both local and international) working in the field of disability

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

- Alliance of NGOs active in the Field of Social Protection of the Child and Family (APSCF),
- Alliance of Organizations of Persons with Disabilities (AOPD). Since May 2015, Keystone Moldova was elected as an organisation leading the Administration counsel of AOPD,
- The Independent Mechanism for Monitoring the implementation of the UNCRPD,
- Civic Coalition for Free and Fair Elections,
- European Association of Service Providers for Persons with Disabilities (EASPD).

## **AWARDS**

- 2015 – UNICEF Moldova award for contribution in the promotion of children rights.
- 2014- Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family award for contribution in the development of social care services for persons with disabilities .
- 2012 – Ministry of Labor , Social Protection and Family award for sustainable partnership in the field of promotion of reforms in social protection of persons with disabilities.

## **PROPERTY OWNERSHIP:**

Keystone Moldova owns two-story building in Chisinau (office), one training facility in Chisinau (230 sq. m.) and 14 homes in different regions of Moldova for services (community homes, supported living, community centers).

## FINANCE AND BUDGET

Total Annual Budget for the last three years: 2013 - 2 045 241 USD  
 2014 - 861 144 USD  
 2015 - 1 144 716 USD

## PUBLICATIONS

|     | Name of the publication  | Source   |
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| 1.  | Assessment of pilot inclusive education schools  | <a href="http://ccfmoldova.org/uploads/pages/studiu_sait.pdf">http://ccfmoldova.org/uploads/pages/studiu_sait.pdf</a>  |
| 2.  | Analysis of impact of mobile team service on persons with disabilities, their families and communities | <a href="http://www.keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/150429%20Studiu%20de%20impact%20al%20serviciului%20Echipa%20Mobila.pdf">http://www.keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/150429%20Studiu%20de%20impact%20al%20serviciului%20Echipa%20Mobila.pdf</a>  |
| 3.  | Partnership for inclusion (RO)   | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Parteneriate%20pentru%20incluziune.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Parteneriate%20pentru%20incluziune.pdf</a>  |
| 4.  | Institution or Community? (RO)   | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/in%20internat%20sau%20in%20comunitate.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/in%20internat%20sau%20in%20comunitate.pdf</a>  |
| 5.  | Study regarding the access of persons with disabilities to the electoral process (RO)                  | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Studiu%20privind%20accesul%20persoanelor.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Studiu%20privind%20accesul%20persoanelor.pdf</a>  |
| 6.  | The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Guide for local public authorities       | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Guide%20for%20LPA%20representatives.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Guide%20for%20LPA%20representatives.pdf</a>  |
| 7.  | Communication with and about people with disabilities. Guide for journalists (RO)                      | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Guide_journalists%20content.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Guide_journalists%20content.pdf</a>  |
| 8.  | Bridge to understanding. Education for inclusion, tolerance, acceptance (RO)                           | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/bridge%20for%20understanding%20content.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/bridge%20for%20understanding%20content.pdf</a>  |
| 9.  | Bridge to understanding. Education for inclusion, tolerance, acceptance (didactical support)           | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/didactical_support%20content.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/didactical_support%20content.pdf</a>  |
| 10. | The strategy on social inclusion of people with disabilities, Calarasi rayon (2013-2018)               | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/calarasi%20strategy%20content.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/calarasi%20strategy%20content.pdf</a>  |
| 11. | The strategy on social inclusion of people with disabilities, Orhei rayon (2013-2018)                  | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/orhei%20strategy%20content.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/orhei%20strategy%20content.pdf</a>  |
| 12. | Inclusive education. Methodological guide for primary and secondary general school (RO, RU)            | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Guide%20inclusive%20education.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Guide%20inclusive%20education.pdf</a> (RO)<br><br><a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ru/publications/Guide-inclusive-education_rus.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ru/publications/Guide-inclusive-education_rus.pdf</a> (RU) |
| 13. | Inclusive education: good practices (RO)   | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Inclusive-education-good-practices.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/Inclusive-education-good-practices.pdf</a>  |
| 14. | Beneficiary Impact Assessment of C4All Moldova program.  | <a href="http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/BIA.pdf">http://keystonemoldova.md/assets/documents/ro/publications/BIA.pdf</a>  |

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|     | Sociological research   |   |
| 15. | Malcoci L., Cincilei C. Supporting learners identified as having special education needs in Moldova// Enabling Education Review, N2, 2014// | <a href="http://www.eenet.org.uk/resources/eenet_newsletter/er2/page22.php">http://www.eenet.org.uk/resources/eenet_newsletter/er2/page22.php</a> |

### RELEVANCE FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT

Since 2012 Keystone Moldova performed more than fifteen research and assessments in the social field, particularly related to vulnerable children. Please see the page 7 of this Proposal for a short description of each research. The studies covered various fields such as (i) residential institutions (i.e. assessments of children with intellectual disabilities, of cases of abuse and violence on children, of case management in the institutions etc.), (b) residential care reform, (c) inclusive education in kindergartens and schools, (d) impact assessment of social services and programs on persons with disabilities (including children) and their families, (e) background study for development of National Youth Strategy, and others. All the research have been performed with Keystone Moldova staff participation, since many Keystone Moldova employees have background in Sociology and an extensive experience in designing and implementing research in the social field. Each evaluation included an important component of assessing knowledge, attitudes and practices of the target groups. Various tools have been developed and applied namely: desk reviews, in-depth interviews (including with children and their parents / caregivers), focus group discussions, and participatory observation. For each assignment comprehensive reports with recommendations have been developed.

In the CV presented below the research developed by Keystone Moldova under some of the implemented / under implementation projects have been underlined in yellow.

## GRANTS IMPEMENTED / UNDER IMPLEMENTATION FOR THE LAST 4 YEARS

*Short description of each project is presented in the Annex*

| Donor  | Project   | Grant period                         | Amount       |
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| European Union   | Advancing and monitoring the rights of people with mental disabilities in neuro-psychiatric residential institutions  | March 2016 – February 2019           | \$ 404 500   |
| Centre for Mental Health Care Development/<br>Czech Development Agency | Institutional consultancy on supporting of transformation process of care for people with mental disorders and people with learning difficulties in Moldova   | October, 2015 – December, 2016       | \$ 74 200    |
| SwissTPH (SDC)   | Reducing the Burden of NCDs in Moldova. Institutional consultancy on mapping of multisectoral interventions in health at community level (with a focus on NCDs).  | November 10, 2015 – January 31, 2016 | \$ 8 380     |
| Soros Foundation Moldova   | Sustainable social services for persons with intellectual disabilities in the context of decentralization of public finances  | October 2015 – December 2016         | \$ 116 863   |
| FHI 360 <sup>o</sup> (USAID)   | Collaboration at the local level for Social Inclusion for Persons with Disabilities from Anenii Noi and Falesti rayon   | April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2017       | \$ 44 000    |
| UNICEF Kazakhstan  | Institutional consultancy on supporting the Republic of Kazakhstan Ministry of Health and Social Development in strategic and evidence-based planning (roadmap) of developing integrated family oriented social and health services for children under three and children with disabilities of pre-school age within the transformed care system ( December 2014- December 2015). | December 2014- December 2015         | \$66,108.60  |
| OSF/Mental Health Initiatives<br>Soros Foundation Moldova              | Community for all - Moldova - Bridge funding during the global economic crisis  | September 2008- September 2015       | \$ 4,106,294 |
| Open Society Foundations / Early Childhood Program                     | Piloting Inclusive education models for preschool children in Moldova   | 2015-2017                            | \$207,488    |
| Soros Foundation Moldova   | Storytelling as a Tool to Combat Discrimination   | February 1, 2015 – April 30, 2015    | \$ 19, 996   |
| Swedish Organization for Individual Relief                             | Get Involved Through Advocacy and Self-Advocacy   | August 1, 2014 – December 31, 2017   | \$ 252,145   |
| East Europe Foundation   | Access of People with Disabilities to Elections   | July 1, 2014 – February 28, 2015     | \$ 17, 242   |

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| Soros Foundation Moldova               | Media and Communication for an Inclusive Society   | June 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015     | \$ 30,000    |
| East Europe Foundation                 | Economic Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities to Sell Handbags   | March 1, 2014 – December 31, 2016     | \$ 28,492    |
| United Nations Development Program     | Prevention of Stigma & Discrimination in Schools   | November 11, 2013 – November 10, 2014 | \$ 33,348    |
| Soros Foundation Moldova               | Persons with Disabilities: Actors in Fighting Discrimination   | September 1, 2012 – October 31, 2014  | \$ 29,805    |
| Open Society Mental Health Initiatives | Training in Production of Copmadam Bags and Purses from Food Packaging and Plastic Bags (2012 - 2013)                                  | July 1, 2013 – August 31, 2014        | \$ 12,725    |
| European Union                         | Public-Private Partnership for the Sustainable Development of Locally Governed Disability Services: Supporting Decentralization Reform | November 28, 2012 - November 28, 2014 | \$ 273,436   |
| Open Society Mental Health Initiatives | Micro-Enterprise Incubator   | August 1, 2012 – July 31, 2014        | \$ 72,321    |
| Open Society Health Media Initiatives  | Joint Media Strategy Group   | September 1, 2011 – August 31, 2013   | \$ 95,047    |
| Open Society Early Childhood Program   | Equal Access to Education  | October 1, 2010 – March 31, 2014      | \$ 257,262   |
| Soros Foundation Moldova               | UN Convention - Guarantee of Prevention of Discrimination for Persons with Disabilities (2012 - 2013)                                  | June 20, 2012<br>June 21, 2013        | \$ 29,970.00 |
| US Embassy in Moldova                  | Public Achievement   | February 1, 2012 – August 31-2012     | \$19,900     |

## Annex 1. Short description of each project

### **ADVANCING AND MONITORING THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH MENTAL DISABILITIES IN NEURO-PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTIONS (March 2016 – February 2019)**

**Project Goal:** Empower persons in neuro-psychiatric residential institutions and local CSOs to defend and monitor the rights of persons with mental disabilities in Moldova

**Project Objectives:**

- Promote greater awareness of the rights of people with mental disabilities through their empowerment as self-advocates;
- Capacity-building of CSOs to enhance and to monitor the CRPD implementation in neuro-psychiatric residential institutions;
- Combat discrimination of persons with mental disabilities living in neuro-psychiatric residential institutions and promote community for all.

**Expected results:**

- About 2300 of persons from neuro-psychiatric residential institutions will know their rights and would be self-determined to advocate for them.
- At least 25 local CSOs demonstrate capacities on monitoring the implementation of the CRPD in neuro-psychiatric institutions.
- Persons from neuro-psychiatric institutions are taken as equal: community people and services providers are positive to them.

**Partners:**

- European Association of Service Providers for Persons with Disabilities, The Alliance of Organizations for People with Disabilities

**Donors:**

European Union

**Amount granted:** \$ 404 500

### **INSTITUTIONAL CONSULTANCY ON SUPPORTING OF TRANSFORMATION PROCESS OF CARE FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL DISORDERS AND PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DIFFICULTIES IN MOLDOVA (October, 2015 – December, 2016)**

**Project Goal:** Support of transformation process of care for people with mental disorders and people with learning difficulties in Moldova.

**Project Objectives:**

- Evaluation of three psychoneurological institutions.
- Consultation to situational analysis and a feasibility analysis of transformation with regards to the local situation
- Consultation of the Transformation plans in Balti, Brinzeni, Cocieri and Badiceni institutions
- Training of stakeholders in the process of Deinstitutionalization

**Expected results:**

- Evaluation of the residents (psycho- social evaluation, medical and psychiatric evaluation, evaluation of residents' families according to case management procedures)

- Recommendation for community support based on individual needs
- Evaluation of human resources from institution (the personnel structure, personnel education and performances, the personnel tasks reported to residents' needs)
- Recommendations for human resources development
- The Report on the progress of work (in Romanian language)
- Summary of the reports (1 page in English and Romanian language)
- The feasibility analysis of transformation with regards to the local situation
- Consultation of the Transformation plans in Balti, Brinzeni, Cocieri and Badiceni institutions
- Training of stakeholders in the process of Deinstitutionalization

**Partners:**

- Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, the psychoneurological institution, NGO People in Need.

**Donors:**

Centre for Mental Health Care Development/ Czech Development Agency

**Amount granted:** \$ 74 200

**REDUCING THE BURDEN OF NCDs IN MOLDOVA. INSTITUTIONAL CONSULTANCY ON MAPPING OF MULTISECTORAL INTERVENTIONS IN HEALTH AT COMMUNITY LEVEL (WITH A FOCUS ON NCDs). (November 10, 2015 – January 31, 2016)**

**The Goal** of the consultancy was to conduct an in-depth mapping and analysis of the role of various sectors (social services, education, NGOs/CBOs, etc.) in health care and health promotion at community level in Moldova, particularly related to NCDs. This exercise provided an overview on the current (or recently past) experience in community health promotion in Moldova, their strengths, their weaknesses, the challenges faced, the good practices. The idea is to have the state-of-the-art information on community health promotion, so that the project interventions can draw from the experience.

**The deliverable:** One report which addressed the themes:

- Overview and analysis of the mandate of social services in health
- Overview and analysis of NGO/CBO involvement in health.
- Overview and analysis of the involvement of the education sector in health
- Best practices in community-based health promotion
- Best practices of sectorial collaboration (social services or education) with local authorities
- Recommendations /considerations for the design of the project interventions in health promotion at community level.

**Donors:**

SwissTPH (SDC)

**Amount granted:** \$ 8380

**SUSTAINABLE SOCIAL SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES IN**



## THE CONTEXT OF DECENTRALIZATION OF PUBLIC FINANCES

(October 2015 – December 2016)

**Project Goal** is to ensure the sustainability of services and reforms started in the field of deinstitutionalization and social inclusion of persons with intellectual disabilities.

### **Project Objectives:**

- Support the local public authorities (LPA) from 10 rayons in the process of continuing the reform of deinstitutionalization and ensuring the quality of social services developed within the Community for All – Moldova initiative.
- Support to the Government of the Republic of Moldova in development of the National Plan for implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the costs standards for social services.

### **Expected results:**

- LPA from 10 rayons ensure qualitative services for persons with disabilities
- The social services staff acquire knowledge and professional skills for the provision of individualized assistance to the persons with disabilities
- The social services for persons with disabilities have the necessary financial resources
- LPA from 10 rayons are open for the implementation of the reform of deinstitutionalization of persons with disabilities
- The Government approves the mechanism of implementation of the UNCRPD
- Minimum cost standards for social services developed
- Amendments to the Public Finance Law and the law on administrative decentralization developed
- 20 local elected officials and civil servants will be trained
- 100% of services developed with the support of Keystone will be accredited
- About 75 social service employees will be trained on the job training
- 90% of the resources allocated from the district budget to social services will be used as intended
- 10 persons will be deinstitutionalized with Keystone Moldova support
- About 200 persons will participate in the public consultation process of the drafts of the Action Plan, Costing standards and Laws amendment.

### **Partners:**

- Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, LPA from 10 rayons.

### **Donors:**

Soros Foundation Moldova

**Amount granted:** \$ 116 863

## COLLABORATION AT THE LOCAL LEVEL FOR SOCIAL INCLUSION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN ANENII-NOI AND FALESTI DISTRICTS ( 2015-2017)

**Project Goal:** The project aims to ensure participation of persons with disabilities and civil society in developing public policies for persons with disabilities in the Anenii Noi and Falesti Districts of Moldova

### **Project Objectives:**

- Developing capacities, mobilizing and empowering persons with disabilities, CSOs and LPA participatory planning, monitoring and evaluation of the rights of persons with

disabilities according to the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and Social Role Valorization.

- Participatory development and approval of local strategies for social inclusion of persons with disabilities.
- Empowerment of Falesti and Anenii-Noi CSOs and LPA in implementing actions of local strategy for social inclusion of persons with disabilities.

**Expected results:**

- 40 persons from Anenii Noi and Fălești Districts trained and participatory strategy development group set.
- The Anenii Noi and Falesti Districts Strategies for social inclusion of persons with disabilities developed , consulted, disseminated and approved at the rayon counsel.
- CSOs and LPA capacitated in strategy implementation and funding proposals development.

**Partners:**

- Anenii Noi and Falesti local ;ublic authorities, local NGOs,

**Donors:**

FHI 360<sup>0</sup> (USAID)

**Amount granted:** \$44,000 US

**INSTITUTIONAL CONSULTANCY ON SUPPORTING THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN STRATEGIC AND EVIDENCE-BASED PLANNING (ROADMAP) OF DEVELOPING INTEGRATED FAMILY ORIENTED SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN UNDER THREE AND CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES OF PRE-SCHOOL AGE WITHIN THE TRANSFORMED CARE SYSTEM ( DECEMBER 2014- DECEMBER 2015).**

**Project Goal:** to support the Ministry of Health and Social Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the development of the national strategic and evidence-based roadmap for the development of the community-based services for children of 0-7 age in risk of being abandoned or without parental care, based on the tested approach in selected regions.

**Project Objectives:**

- Provision of the technical assistance to the Ministry of Health and Social Development in strengthening the gender disaggregated data management system (monitoring and analyses) on current state of children of 0-7 age in risk of being abandoned or without parental care, including children with disabilities, their families and communities in line with internationally recognized indicators for children in formal care and data collected in selected regions.
- Provision of the technical assistance to the Ministry of Health and Social Development and the akimats in selected regions in elaborating and implementing of a test roadmap for development of services within the transformed operation of infant homes and medical social facilities for children with disabilities into modern form of family oriented care, including budgetary consideration.
- Provision of the technical advice to the Ministry of Health and Social Development on the good experience in transforming the infant homes and medical social facilities for children with disabilities and provide a feedback to the draft strategies they included into the statute on the infant homes and medical social facilities for children with disabilities.

**Outcomes:**

- Road map developed on transforming the care system for children of 0-7 age in Kazakhstan

- Action plan for the implementation of the road map
- Budget for the implementation of the road map
- Training needs assessment results with recommendations for further trainings
- Recommendations for improvement of the statute of residential institutions

**Partners:**

- Ministry of Health and Social Development of Kazakhstan, Astana and Kyzilorda regional public authorities

**Donors:**

- UNICEF Kazakhstan

**Amount granted:** \$66,108.60USD

### **COMMUNITY FOR ALL - MOLDOVA - BRIDGE FUNDING DURING THE GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS (2008-2016)**

**Project goal:** To contribute to the reform of social care and protection of persons with disabilities for their better social inclusion

**Objectives:**

- Development of community services based on the needs of people with disabilities and their families/caregivers;
- Development of legal and normative framework for regulation of newly created services;
- Evaluation of residential institutions and development of strategies for deinstitutionalization and community moving of persons with disabilities
- Deinstitutionalization of children and adults with severe mental disabilities from the Home for Children (Boys) with Mental Disabilities in Orhei and their (re)integration in community;
- Prevention from institutionalization of people with disabilities;
- Development of supportive community environment through changing attitudes and behaviors of population, regarding persons with disabilities;
- Strengthening the capacities building of central and local public authorities, service providers, parents and other community stakeholders for ensure the high quality of standards in delivering social services.

**Outcomes:**

- a) Keystone Moldova has been actively involved in drafting and promoting the following legislative and normative acts:
  - Law no. 169 of 09.07.2010 on the approval of the Strategy of Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities 2010-2013
  - Law no. 60 of 30.03.2012 on the Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities
  - Government Decision no. 711 of 09.08.2010 on the approval of the Regulations and Quality Standards of Supported Living Service
  - Government Decision no. 936 of 08.10.2010 on the approval of the Regulations and Quality Standards of Community Home Service
  - Government Decision no. 722 of 22.09.2011 on the approval of the Regulations and Quality Standards of Mobile Team Service
  - Government Decision no. 314 of 23.05.2012 on the approval of the Regulations and Quality Standards of Personal Assistance Service
  - Government Decision no. 413 of 14.06.2012 on the approval of the Regulations and Quality Standards of Respite Care Service
  - Government Decision no. 351 of 29.05.2012 on the approval of the Regulations on

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| <p>Reallocation of Funds within the Reform of Residential Care Institutions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Government Decision no. 7 of 03.02.2014 on the approval of the Regulations and Quality Standards of Shared Living Services</li> <li>• Decision of the Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family nr. 107 from 19 June 2013 regarding the approval of the “Mobile Team” Social Service Handbook</li> <li>• Decision of the Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family nr. 130 from 6 August 2013 regarding the approval of the Practical Guide on Assessment, Deinstitutionalization and Social Inclusion of People with Mental Disabilities</li> </ul> <p>b) Complex evaluation of three national institutions for persons with disabilities ( Orhei, Badiceni and Hincesti) and development of action plans for transforming the social care of persons with disabilities from residential based to community living based.</p> <p>c) 124 adults and children with disabilities have been deinstitutionalized from Orhei institution and (re)integrated into their biological / extended families or placed into community based social services (community homes, supported living, foster care and shared living services);</p> <p>d) 46 adults and children with disabilities have been prevented from institutionalization</p> <p>e) 93 social services developed with the support of Keystone Moldova (Community Home, Supported Living, Foster Care, Shared Living, Mobile Team, Respite, Personal assistance, Playground Room)</p> <p>f) To ensure the financial sustainability of the new community based services for persons with disabilities, Keystone Moldova provided assistance to the national and local governments to develop and plan the costs for newly created services. Starting 2012, the Moldovan Government is allocating funds for the services developed by local public administrations with Keystone Moldova support in annual national budget. Thus in 2012, the Government of Moldova allocated 1.251.700 MDL for 11 developed services. In 2013, the financial resources allocated by the state budget increased up to 9.506.500 MDL.</p> <p>g) Beneficiary impact assessment of Community for All Moldova Program developed</p> <p><b>Partners:</b> Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family, local public administration first and second level, local NGOs</p> <p><b>Donors :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Society Foundations / Mental Health Initiatives</li> <li>• Soros Emergency Fund</li> <li>• Keystone Human Services International US</li> </ul> <p><b>Amount granted: \$ 4,106,294 US</b></p> |
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| <p><b>PILOTING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION MODELS FOR PRESCHOOL CHILDREN IN MOLDOVA (2015 - 2017)</b></p> <p><b>Project Goal:</b> Support the national IE strategy development through piloting a comprehensive inclusion model that ensures access for special education needs preschool children (age 3 to 7) in 15 predominantly rural sites to quality education based on a holistic approach to the ecology of inclusion, age-appropriate learning and development practices in a bias-free environment that respects and values diversity, in partnership with families and communities and in collaboration with the emerging support services for SEN children .</p> <p><b>Project Objectives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building on the lessons learnt by partners from the previous inclusion project in 15 community schools (13 villages and 2 small towns from 12 rayons), develop and pilot inclusive ECED models in these communities applying mechanisms of children’s educational needs evaluation and support at institutional, community and specialized rayon level bodies</li> <li>• Developing the capacity of preschool teachers and managers from 15 community kindergartens to create a bias-free institutional culture and an inclusive learning and</li> </ul> |
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development environment at classroom level to meet the individual needs of children, with a focus on those with SEN; support teachers in identifying the special educational needs and use the referral and support mechanisms, develop IEPs for SEN children and monitor their progress based on these; ensure cooperation between kindergarten and primary school teachers to support the transition of SEN children.

- Increasing community awareness of and the capacity of local and rayon/district level relevant stakeholders (specified below) to ensure the educational inclusion of preschool age children (3-7) having difficulties enrolling in mainstream kindergartens, including those with SEN;
- Collaboration with the MoE/NCPPA to contribute the pilot experience gained to the development of the preschool IE methodology at pre-school level; dissemination of pilot materials among faculty of 3 Pedagogical Universities and 4 Teacher Training Colleges training preschool teachers for the revision of their courses on inclusive education; sharing pilot project results at the national conference
- Developing the project impact assessment report

**Expected results:**

- Functioning mechanism established in 15 communities to support the inclusion of all preschool children, including with SEN in mainstream educational facilities
- Instruments developed for both evaluation of children's educational needs and monitoring their continuous progress.
- About 150 children preschool age (from 3 to 7 years) with different degrees of special education needs (including about 50 children that are not enrolled currently in the kindergartens) benefitting from quality education in mainstream ECD programs
- About 90% of preschool managers and staff in 15 community can identify, know how use the referral and support mechanisms for the inclusion of SEN children and cooperate with the local MC for their initial evaluation
- About 70 % of kindergarten teachers know how to respond to typical problems SEN children are facing, can develop IEPs for SEN children using PPAS recommendations and can monitor children's development based on their IEPs
- 70% of kindergarten teachers cooperate with primary school teachers to ensure the school transition of SEN children based on their individual progress attested by IEP.
- At least 2/3 of parents of children with special educational needs acknowledge the right of their children to go to regular kindergarten and have improved capacities on how to support the educational inclusion of their children.
- The number of typically developing children and their parents having positive attitudes towards SEN children, accepting them as colleagues and friends increased with 30% .
- The number of LPAs that support SEN children integration in regular preschool facilities increased by 30%.
- Training modules developed and ready to be offered to the staff from other kindergartens nationwide.
- Inclusive education experiences and lessons learned integrated in the NCPPA IE methodology for preschool education
- The package of training materials, including videos, case studies, etc. incorporated in the courses on inclusive education of 3 Pedagogical Universities and 4 Teacher Training Colleges training preschool teachers
- Inclusive education models implemented in 15 preschool facilities shared with the Departments of Education from all 32 rayons and MoE at the national conference.

**Partners:**

- Ministry of Education, Local Public Authorities, Step by Step Program

**Donors:**

- Open Society Foundations / Early Childhood Program

**Amount granted:** \$ 207,488 US

### **STORYTELLING AS A TOOL TO COMBAT DISCRIMINATION (2015)**

**Project Goal:** reducing discrimination and promoting equality through promotion of personal stories.

**Project Objectives:**

- Support organizations involved in promoting the rights of discriminated groups to expand their support by using storytelling;
- Empowering NGOs to use personal stories of beneficiaries for advocacy purposes.

**Expected results:**

- 20 representatives of NGOs working with marginalized groups trained in combating discrimination and stereotypes;
- 20 representatives of NGOs working with marginalized groups trained in storytelling and how to use this tool for advocacy purposes;
- Representatives of 4 NGOs are provided support in applying for call for proposals on storytelling.

**Donors:** Soros Foundation Moldova

**Amount granted:** \$ 19, 996 US

### **GET INVOLVED THROUGH ADVOCACY AND SELF-ADVOCACY (2014-2017)**

**Project Goal:** ensure inclusive participation in the society of people with disabilities through their empowerment as self-advocates and empowerment of parent organizations/groups.

**Project Objectives:**

- Developing a national self-advocacy network of people with disabilities
- Developing the national platform of parent organizations/groups

**Expected results:**

1. At least 60 persons with disabilities from Republic of Moldova are active members of self-advocacy groups
2. At least 10 parent organization/groups were assessed and benefited of support based on needs evaluation
3. At least 166 persons capacitated in advocacy and self-advocacy (60 persons with disabilities, 25 parents or direct support persons, 75 LPA representatives (policy makers and social services providers, 6 support persons of self-advocacy groups).
4. At least 5 persons (3 persons with disabilities and 2 support persons) participated at one event on advocacy and self-advocacy organized at European level.

**Donors:** SOIR Moldova

**Amount granted:** \$ 252,145 US

### **MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION FOR AN INCLUSIVE SOCIETY (2014-2015)**

**Project Goal:** development of an inclusive community environment through media-advocacy activities.

**Project Objectives:**

- Adults with disabilities know their rights and fight for them, including through the media.
- The community services for people with disabilities are promoted in society and media.
- People with disabilities know to speak for themselves and undertake advocacy activities.

- The society accepts and supports people with disabilities.

**Expected results:**

- 10 people with intellectual disabilities trained in Photovoice;
- 10 people with disabilities trained in storytelling and use this technic;
- The UNCRPD translated into “easy-to-read” format and disseminated nationwide;
- At least 10 media materials developed and used for promoting new social services;
- 1 media campaign to raise awareness on the rights of persons with disabilities to live in the community and to lead a full and active life.

**Donors:** Soros Foundation Moldova

**Amount granted:** \$ 30,000 US

### ACCESS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES TO ELECTIONS (2014-2015)

**Project Goal:** to ensure the access of persons with disabilities to political life and to elections.

**Project Objectives:**

- Support Central Election Commission in developing the Regulation on the Access of Persons with Disabilities to Elections;
- Inform and raise awareness of political parties on problems persons with disabilities face, and mobilize political parties in solving these problems;
- Inform mass-media on how to communicate with / about persons with disabilities.

**Results:**

- Draft Regulation on the Access of Persons with Disabilities to Elections developed;
- Political parties informed about problems persons with disabilities face and mobilised in committing for solving these problems;
- Mass-media informed on how to communicate with / about persons with disabilities.

**Partners:** Central Election Commission, SCOs.

**Donors:** East-European Foundation

**Amount granted:** \$ 17, 242 US

### ECONOMICAL EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO SELL HANDMADE BAGS (2013-2015)

**Project goal:** increasing the quality of life and the self-trust of persons with intellectual disabilities through the handmade bag production from the recyclable materials

**Project objectives:**

- Economic empowerment of persons with disabilities, of their mothers and support persons from the community services in the process of bag production from the recyclable materials
- Ensuring the sustainability of social enterprise activities developed with Keystone Moldova support.

**Expected results:**

- 10 persons with disabilities and 10 support persons capacitated in bag production
- 25 working group meetings to share the experiences organised
- High quality bags produced from the recycled materials
- 10 job places for persons with disabilities created
- Contracts signed with 7 potential distributors of bags.
- Identified 7 permanent distribution channels for the made bans
- Contracts signed with 5 suppliers of row materials
- Developed and implemented marketing strategy
- Invented the brand of the handmade production

- The quality of life of beneficiaries and their families improved

**Partners:** local public administrations, Sandrilion, Petrom-Moldova, EFES - Vitanta, Franzeluta, Banzai, Coca-Cola, Piele-SA.

**Donor :** East-European Foundation

**Amount granted :** \$ 28,492 US

### **PREVENTION OF STIGMA AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN SCHOOLS ON BOTH BANKS OF NISTRU RIVER (2013-2014)**

**Project Goal:** to reduce the discrimination attitude against persons with disabilities at school and community level.

**Project Objectives:**

- Increase awareness of children and teachers on people with disabilities and on how to communicate with them;
- Build an accepting attitude toward people with disabilities at school and community level;
- empower ordinary people with regard to oppression cases in their locality;
- Increase the trust between the two banks of Nistru River by creating a lasting partnership.

**Results:**

- The contact between the two banks of Nistru River established for the project implementation (local NGO and schools identified)
- Elaboration of performance in Romanian and Russian
- Identification of 10 schools on the both banks of river Nistru, where the performances will be presented.
- Elaboration of flyer for children on disability issues
- Starting the presentation of performance in schools.

**Partners:** departments of education, local public administration, schools, NGO Interaction, Medicine college from Bender

**Donors:** UNDP

**Amount granted:** \$ 33,347.85 US

### **PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCALLY GOVERNED DISABILITY SERVICES: SUPPORTING DECENTRALIZATION REFORM (2012 - 2014)**

**Project Goal:** Promoting an inclusive and empowered society through public-private partnerships in five rayons for improved services delivery to people with disabilities and efficient transfer of competencies to Local Authorities.

**Project Objectives:**

- Development of the social Service "Mobile Team" in 5 rayons
- Strengthening the capacities of key social actors in the 5 pilot rayons in the area of social inclusion of people with disabilities
- Improving the quality of social services provided for 100 children with disabilities and their families
- Changing attitudes and development of inclusive community environment for people with disabilities in 5 rayons
- Dissemination of the best practices

**Results:**

- 5 Mobile Team (MT) social services have been created and developed in 5 rayons to prevent the institutionalization of children with disabilities;



- specialists of MT recruited, hired and trained;
- 124 children and their families have been admitted to the Service and benefited from MT assistance and support;
- 137 representatives of local public authorities and 132 social service providers from the five rayons have been trained in the area of social inclusion of persons with disabilities;
- Curricula on tolerance and non-discrimination of persons with disabilities implemented in 10 schools
- Social theatre forums organised in 10 schools to change the discriminatory attitudes of children and teachers regarding the persons with disabilities.
- Assessment of the impact of mobile team service on persons with disabilities, their families and communities developed

**Partners:**

- The Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family , the Ministry of Education, LPAs from Anenii Noi, Dubasari, Falesti, Singerei and Ungheni rayons.

**Donors:**

- European Union
- Open Society Foundations / Mental Health Initiative

**Amount granted:** 273,436.00 EUROS

### **PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES - ACTORS IN PREVENTING AND FIGHTING DISCRIMINATION (2013 - 2014)**

**Project Goal:** To ensure the participation of people with disabilities in preventing and fighting discrimination based on disability.

**Project objectives:**

- Empowering people with intellectual disabilities who were institutionalized in exercising their rights.
- Improving the understanding of the phenomenon of discrimination by people with intellectual disabilities by providing access to "easy to read" information.
- Involving people with intellectual disabilities in monitoring the equal opportunities to live in community for people with intellectual disabilities.

**Results:**

- A group of people with intellectual disabilities deprived of the right to live in the community has been created;
- Specialists working with the group members capacitated;
- Self-determination meetings organised for and with group members;

**Partners:** local public administration, local NGOs, NGO from Romania

**Donors:** Soros Foundation – Moldova

**Amount granted:** \$29,805.00 US

### **EQUAL ACCESS TO EDUCATION PROJECT (2010 – 2014)**

**Project Goal:** to increase the equal access to education of children with special educational needs (SEN) in 22 schools from 15 rayons of Republic of Moldova

**Project Objectives:**

- To support school inclusion of children with special educational needs
- To develop the supportive environment necessary for the integration of children with mental disabilities in mainstream educational institutions (schools or kindergartens)

**Results:**

- a) Keystone Moldova has been involved in developing policy documents regarding inclusive

education implementation in Moldova. Thus, Keystone Moldova

- developed the Inclusive Education Methodology approved by the Ministry of Education (Decision nr. 738 from 15 August 2011 regarding the inclusive education pilot in Moldovan educational institutions)
  - drafted Type-Regulation and Standards for inclusive schools;
  - participated in developing the policy documents regarding the residential system reform and inclusive education implementation, such as: Education Strategy 2020, Regulations on Psycho-Pedagogical Services at national and rayon levels, and the Quality Standards of primary and secondary schools.
- b) Piloted the inclusive education in 22 schools from 15 rayons of Republic of Moldova;
- c) Developed 74 inclusive education services (Support Teacher, Psycho-Pedagogue, Resources Center for Inclusive Education, and Multidisciplinary School Commission, responsible for the assessment of children with SEN);
- d) 490 children along with their parents have received support for school inclusion;
- e) Developed an inclusive education environment through the capacity building of school teachers, parents, students / pupils, and other community members, and through awareness raising campaigns;
- f) Assisted the Local Public Authorities in planning funds in their budgets to insure the sustainability of the developed inclusive education services. Funds have been reserved for all 15 Resources Centers for Inclusive Education and for 16 support teachers from 11 pilot schools.
- g) Developed, printed and disseminated Guide for schools principals on inclusive education methodology and the handbook with Success stories on inclusive education.
- h) The curricula on tolerance and inclusive education developed and implemented in primary classes of 15 schools
- i) The social theatre forums (performances for children and for adults) developed and implemented in 22 schools
- j) The results of the implementation of the inclusive education in 22 schools disseminated nationwide through the national conference and publications.

**Partners:**

- Ministry of Education, Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family, Local Public Authorities, Step by Step Program

**Donors:**

- Open Society Foundations / Early Childhood Program, Open Society Foundations / Mental Health Initiative, Soros Foundation – Moldova, Keystone Human Services International

**Amount granted:** \$ 257,262.00 US

### **MICRO-ENTERPRISE INCUBATOR (2012 - 2013)**

**Project Goal:** to facilitate and enhance the formation and growth of micro enterprises managed by and / or employing people with mental disabilities and their families.

**Project Objectives:**

- Developing basic business skills;
- Developing vocational skills and training;
- Provide small-scale grants for start-up investments.

**Results:**

- Five business plans were developed and successfully implemented;
- 4 business activities became sustainable and increased profit;
- 5 persons got vocational training in accounting;
- 10 Keystone Moldova Beneficiaries were trained to ensure the technological process of

the business activities;

- Equipment and raw material was bought to make the business activities efficient;
- 20 Keystone Moldova beneficiaries' family members and services staff have necessary abilities to produce bags and purses from food packaging and plastic bags;
- 20 Monthly workshops for producers of bags and purses to share experiences and lessons learned were organized;
- 350 purses have been produced by Keystone Moldova beneficiaries' family members and services staff;
- Keystone Moldova insures the financial security of 20 purse makers through purchasing the bags and purses produced;
- 100 purses have been sold by Keystone Moldova and the income generated invested in business development;
- Three raw material suppliers have been identified and had provided the stock to the bag producers;
- 2 new designs of hand made products were developed and implemented;
- Five distribution channels for bags and purses have been identified;
- The bags promotion tools (poster and logo) had been developed and distributed nationwide.

**Partners:** local public administrations, Sandrilion, Petrom-Moldova, EFES - Vitanta, Franzeluta, Banzai, Coca-Cola, Piele-SA.

**Donors:** Open Society Foundations

**Amount granted:** \$ 72,321.00 US

#### **UN CONVENTION - GUARANTEE OF PREVENTION OF DISCRIMINATION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (2012 - 2013)**

**Project Goal:** preventing the discrimination of persons with disabilities and promoting the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD).

**Project Objectives:**

- Improving the understanding of the phenomenon of discrimination against persons with disabilities in two rayons from Republic of Moldova through the UNCRPD during a year;
- Empowerment, mobilization and accountability of local government (LG) of two rayons in order to develop the Local Social Inclusion Strategy for Persons with Disabilities through the UNCRPD;
- Empowerment of Local Public Authorities with regard to local Strategy implementation.

**Results :**

- Raised awareness of two local governments with regard to the need to implement the UNCRPD;
- Local Social Inclusion Strategy for Persons with Disabilities developed in two rayons, through the UNCRPD. The Strategy published and disseminated;
- Local stockholders capacitated and empowered in implementing the UNCRPD;
- Raise awareness of community grantees to support the rights of persons with disabilities under the UNCRPD.
- Developed, published and disseminated the Guide for LPA on implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

**Partners:** LPA from Calarasi and Orhei, local NGOs

**Donors:** Soros Foundation – Moldova

**Amount granted:** \$ 29,970.00 US

#### **TRAINING IN PRODUCTION OF COPMADAM BAGS AND PURSES FROM FOOD PACKAGING**

### **AND PLASTIC BAGS (2012 - 2013)**

**Project Goal:** To develop a Social Enterprise which will provide jobs for people with disabilities and diversified revenues for Keystone through production and sales of bags and purses from recycled plastic bags and food packaging

**Project Objectives:**

- train Keystone's clients and their families in producing bags and purses from plastic bags and food packaging.
- start a Social Enterprise that sells bags and purses.
- expand the business model to ensure long-term financial sustainability

**Results:**

- 15 parents and social workers trained in making bags from recycled materials;
- bags manufacturers supplied with raw materials necessary for making bags;
- 300 bags produced;
- 50 bags sold;
- Support in the implementation of eight small business plans for people with disabilities and their families provided.
- Supporting persons with disabilities to develop five small businesses: strawberry and tomato greenhouses, mini-farm rabbits, shop for repair of cars and mini-farm quails;

**Partners:** Copmadam company in Turkey, local public administrations, EFES - Vitanta.

**Donors:** Open Society Foundations / Mental Health Initiative

**Amount granted:** \$ 12,725.00 US

### **JOINT MEDIA STRATEGY GROUP PROMOTION OF THE SOCIAL INCLUSION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (2011 - 2013)**

**Project Goal:** to promote social inclusion of people with disabilities by changing the behaviour of Moldovan citizens and to increase the general level of acceptance of people with disabilities. The project aimed on supporting the creation of a self-advocacy and a parent advocacy group and to strengthen them both in terms of their media work and from an organizational perspective; and to increase awareness and understanding as a way to reduce stigmatizing attitudes towards people with disabilities through the development and implementation of a joint media campaign.

**Project Objectives:**

- Support people with disabilities and their family members to overcome structural obstacles that they face in fighting for their rights by involving them in advocacy groups.
- Promotion of the human rights of people with mental disabilities through documenting stories about people who have left Orhei Institution.
- To reduce stigmatizing attitudes through the development and implementation of a joint media campaign by all JMSG members.
- Promotion of the social inclusion through a national film festival for films developed by people with disabilities and their family members.

**Results:**

- Two representation groups (self-advocacy and parent-advocacy groups) were created. These groups meet regularly (monthly).
- Persons with disabilities, their parents and specialist from the social services developed by Keystone Moldova have been assisted in development of a strategy and action plan for a local advocacy campaign and have been trained in story-telling;
- a joint anti-stigma media campaign by all JMSG members has been developed and implemented to promote the rights of people with mental disabilities and reduce the discrimination against these people;

- A study visit of the self- and parent advocacy groups to similar groups in Croatia has been realised.

**Partners:** local public administration, national NGOs (Speranta, Somato, Voinicel, Femeia si Copilul- Speranta si Sprijin)

**Donors:** Open Society Foundations / Mental Health Initiative

**Amount granted:** \$95.047.00 US

### **PUBLIC ACHIEVMENT (2013)**

**Project goal:** to promote this successful, participatory civic education method, Public Achievement, in 12 communities throughout Moldova, which will unquestionably benefit all 145 of the youth and teacher participants directly, and their schools and communities indirectly.

**Project objectives:**

- To train 24 Public Achievement (PA) facilitators, a Peace Corps volunteer and local partner from 12 communities over a 3-day seminar, end of January 2012.
- To launch 12 PA programs for approx. 120 adolescents over the course of the 2011-2012 school year facilitated by those trained during the 3-day seminar.
- To create an interactive web community, through a Facebook group and blogs for exchanging experiences and evaluation.
- To analyze the curricular possibilities of the program PA in partnership with the Ministry of Education in order to determine a strategy for future collaboration between these civil society programs (and potential others) and formal civic education in schools in Moldova

**Project results:**

- 12 Peace Corp volunteers and 12 partners from 12 communities where trained in public achievement and in becoming facilitators for groups of young people from their community.
- 128 of young people from 10 communities were trained and actively participated in the public achievement activities.
- 12 projects have been developed and implemented. This included: youth clubs, bringing medical assistance to high schools, Wi-Fi parks, normal parks, creating cinema, organizing community clean-up days, advocating reading among youth, improving sporting fields, planting trees, assisting the elderly.
- A Facebook page was created to publicize the activities.
- 1 final conference organized, where the groups presented the problem solved.
- The professional capacity of all the specialists from Community Centre for vulnerable children VIS has been developed.

**Partners-** local NGOs, CSOs, LPA, Peace Corp Volunteers

**Donor -** US Embassy in Moldova

**Amount granted:** \$19 900 US

### **COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN VIS FROM BACIOI, CHISINAU MUNICIPALITY (2007- until the present)**

**Project goal:** to support the social inclusion of vulnerable children and youth

**Project results:**

The center was created in 2007 in the village Bacioi of Chisinau municipality. The centre provides services for 24 children on daily basis and three children with disabilities receive

home-based services as well. Ten more children come two times a week only for English classes. At this stage all the children are of primary school age. The Centre provides services to adolescents as well. Twenty-two children participate once a week at the Teenagers Club. The beneficiaries are mainly children that attended the centres while in primary school. The activities for adolescents, while limited, are focused on issues of high interest for their age.

The Vis center provides educational and social inclusion services for children whose parents are alcohol addicted and live in very poor conditions; parents who went abroad for work and left the children with grandparents, relatives or neighbors; uneducated parents from very poor families. These children are at risk of being trafficked or attracted in different criminal activities. Besides the activities within the centre, the children get one meal a day.

**Partners:** LPA , local NGOs, local business community

**Donors: Keystone Human Services International US**

**Local public administration**

**Amount granted - \$300,000 US**

#### **COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN UNITATE FROM TUDORA, STEFAN VODA (2004-until the present)**

**Project goal:** to support the social inclusion of vulnerable children and youth

**Project results:**

The centre was created in 2004 in village Tudora of Stefan Voda district. The centre provides services for 21 children on daily basis. The centre provides services to adolescents as well. Twenty-four beneficiaries participate once a week at the Teenagers Club. The beneficiaries are mainly children that attended the centres while in primary school. The activities for adolescents, while currently limited, are focused on issues of high interest for their age. The centre provides educational and social inclusion services for children whose parents are alcohol addicted and live in very poor conditions; parents who went abroad for work and left the children with grandparents, relatives or neighbours; uneducated parents from very poor families. These children are at risk of being trafficked or attracted in different criminal activities. Besides the activities within the centre, the children get two meals a day.

**Partners:** LPA , local NGOs, local business community

**Donors: Keystone Human Services International US**

**Local public administration**

**Amount granted - \$300,000 US**