

Task Force on disability report (April 25-May 4)

All in total NGOs supported 112 persons with disabilities this week for their better accommodation and social inclusion.

Keystone Moldova provided support to 40 persons with disabilities refugees, of which 27 persons were new beneficiaries. 17 persons with disabilities refugees were from hosting families and 23- from shelters. 37 beneficiaries with disabilities were adults and 3- children. 26 beneficiaries with disabilities - were women and 14- men. 21 persons with disabilities had a severe disability degree, 7 had moderated disability degree, 9 had accentuated disability degree, and 3- were unidentified. The main services delivered were as follows: informational support- 3, health care support and medications- 19, hygienical packages- 5, assistive equipment- 2, housing services-2, nutrition packages – 2, didactic materials- 1, transportation- 1, support to combat discrimination – 1, assessment of needs- 10.

Center Low Vision delivered diagnostic services and glasses to 6 persons – with severe visual impairments and associated disabilities.

NGO Motivatie offered support to 3 persons with disabilities, including 2 persons – with adapted transportation and 1 person- a corset.

Speranta NGO offered support to 5 persons with disabilities, including to 3 persons – housing services and to 2 persons- transportation services.

NGO Fiecare Contribuie pentru Schimbare offered psychological counseling to four families with children with TSA.

NGO Compasiune is offering housing services to 3 families with persons with disabilities.

NGO Asociatia nevazatorilor is offering continuous support to 17 persons with disabilities.

NGO SOS Autism continue to support 18 families with children with autism with housing services , as well as 16 children with autism with rehabilitation programs.

The Association of entrepreneurs with disabilities from Moldova supported 48 persons with disabilities, out of which 39 persons with severe disabilities; 25 persons with disabilities, 70 + years old.

Osort Association, Transnistria region, supported 36 families, including 27 families with persons with disabilities, out of which 19 are placed in families and 8 in temporary placement centers.

The discussions with NGOs representatives show that the main issues to be addressed in regards to persons with disabilities refugees are as follows:

- limited access to cash assistance program due to limited accessible information, lack of computers and internet, and need for support to fill the requests and to receive finances
- limited access to accessible information regarding the legalization of the refugee status in Moldova, as well as limited support for personal documentation
- limited access to adapted shelters for persons with limited mobility, and sensorial disability
- limited access to medications of persons with chronic diseases, mental health and epileptic syndrome, due to lack of financial resources
- limited access to assistive equipment of persons with severe mobility problems and sensorial disabilities (particularly visual impairments of children)

- Limited access to adapted transportation due to lack of adapted cars and limited financial resources of NGOs to buy fuel
- Limited access to hygienic and nutrition packages (gluten free nutrition).
- Lack of humanitarian assistance and support for refugees from Transnistria region.