PARTNERS:
Casa Marioarei
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The Moldova Project

LOCATIONS:
- Anenii Noi
- Cahul
- Calarasi
- Chisinau
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- Criuleni
- Hincesti
- Laloveni
- Telenesti

- MHPSS
- WASH
- Health Facility Support
- Social Cohesion Activities
- Cultural Integration
- Medical Assistance
Services provided to women and their children

Social assistance:
All the necessities for those placed in the shelter: separate room, food products, clothes, sanitary conditions, etc.

Legal assistance:
Legal consultation, preparing the necessary legal documents for presentation in court.

Psychological assistance:
Individual and group assistance for women.

Psycho-Pedagogical Assistance:
Individual counseling of children and mother–child couple.

"Association Against Violence - Casa Marioarei"

Founded in 2000, Casa Mărioarei focused its activities on ensuring access for women and their children, survivors of domestic violence, to specialized services.

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The project "Facilitating social integration and improving social cohesion of Ukrainian refugees in the Republic of Moldova"
Implementation period: 01.02.2023 - 31.07.2023
Lessons learned and risks in the project implementation process

Institution

- A competent team and distribution of tasks - quality
- Planning, monitoring and evaluation – a condition for successful project implementation
- Donor conceptual support – contribution to implementation success.

Community

- Competent local teams
- Local partnerships – combining efforts
- Continuity in interventions and promotion of successes at local level
- Involvement of refugees and locals – cohesion

Risks

- The flow of refugees: some leave, some come
- Refugees' lack of confidence in their own strength
- A large number of projects offer refugees goods and money, which stop the desire to make an effort to their own.
The implementing organization

Regina Pacis Foundation is a public benefit, nonpolitical and non-commercial organization. It was founded in Republic of Moldova on March 04th, 2001.

The mission of the Regina Pacis Foundation is to create a protective environment for the development of children and young people at risk and to increase the quality of life of older people.
Humanitarian Assistance (Achievements)  
(December 2022 – May 2023)

- The opening of the Community Assistance Center for Refugees and the vulnerable local population (CC) and its operationalization through internal regulatory acts;
- Assistance of 2130 people (direct, psychosocial, medical assistance and access to vocational trainings);
- Psychological assistance of over 73 beneficiaries (126 individual psychotherapies and 9 group and family therapies);
- Medical assistance and referral to other medical clinics of 420 individuals;
Psychological assistance of Ukrainian refugees

Common problems

- The anxiety generated by the dynamics of war;
- Anxiety for the safety of relatives remaining in Ukraine;
- Anxiety about losing houses;
- Fear related to the uncertainty and planning of the future (living, financial insurance, children’s studies, the impossibility of perfecting the documents for pension or other public and health services);
- Relational problems with the family and extended one.

Challenges

- War trauma
- Stress related to displacement and cultural adaptation
- Stigma and discrimination
- Limited access to mental health services
- Language and cultural barrier

Lesson learnt

- Sensitiveness to cultural peculiarities
- Sensitive approach to trauma
- Building trust and ensuring the confidentiality
- Cooperation and synergies with other organizations and services
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EMPOWERING THE UKRAINIANS

A multidisciplinary approach to the refugee crisis in Moldova.
WITH THE SUPPORT OF PROJECT HOPE
(between 05.2022 & 05.2023)

The Moldova Project provided multidisciplinary support to more than 6500 refugee children and caregivers.
OUR APPROACH

1. Needs assessment

2. A systemic strategy targeting both immediate and long-term needs + close collaboration with local authorities

3. Multidisciplinary interventions
• Responding to urgent needs: Hygienic kits for refugee women & food packages.
• Distributing Medical Vouchers
• Inauguration of 9 playrooms
• Art-therapy & Socio-educational activities for children
• Psychological support & parenting sessions
• Positive outings for refugee children living in accommodation centers.
CHALLENGES ALONG THE WAY

- the constant flow of refugees (who came with varying needs), which required frequent readjustments of our interventions;
- the overall low morale among refugees, which, together with the long hours in territory, took, at times, its toll on the emotional wellbeing of our team;
- the novelty of war-related trauma for our team, who have had to acquire the necessary expertise on the go.
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