Youth One World

Martin Kunze, Regional Office

NiN SECURE Project: after-school activities & psycho-social support

YOUTH
ONE
WORLD

Jugend Eine Welt Implementing Partners

Fundația Don Bosco, Chișinău

Concordia Moldova

FMA Sisters Odessa

JUGEND EINE WELT

Beneficieries until 31.12.2023 with NiN SECURE project

Until 31.12.2023, a total of **31,891 individuals (Republic of Moldova: 9050)** were reached.

The project results are:

1. **Improved Food Security and Nutrition**
2. **Cash and Voucher Assistance**
3. **Provision of Psycho-social Support**
4. **Access to Education in Emergencies**

Results 3 & 4 are only implemented in Moldova – **1318 beneficiaries**.

JUGEND EINE WELT

Where do we implement the nonformal education and psycho-social support elements?

NFE:

- Chișinău
- Congaz
- Dubăsarii Vechi
- Hînceşti
- Tudora

PSS:

- Anenii Noi
- Cantemir
- Căușeni
- Chișinău
- Dondușeni
- Drochia
- Hînceşti
- Șoldănești
- Străşeni
- Ştefan Vodă
- Taraclia
- Ungheni

Psycho-social support

Psycho-social support is offered to **children** in accommodation centres in Lăpușna and Taraclia. Additionally, there are mainly Moldovan **adult beneficiaries** by the Mobile Emergency Team of Concordia throughout the country.

At Fundaţia Don Bosco in Chişinău, psycho-social support is offered to **children** visiting the daily after-school programme and the holiday camps. Some of their parents are **adult beneficiaries**.

JUGEND EINE WELT

Access to Education in Emergencies: after-school – 2023 statistics

- 158 children and young people (80 girls, 78 boys) participated in the after-school programmes at the multifunctional centres of Concordia in Lăpușna and Taraclia.
- Another 57 children (32 girls and 25 boys) attended the after-school programme of the Don Bosco Center in Chişinău.
- They received tutoring, homework support and were integrated in educational and recreational activities.

JUGEND EINE WELT

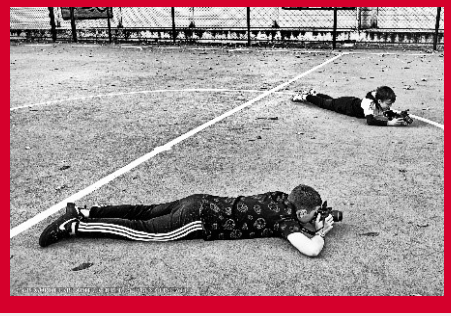
Access to Education in Emergencies: holidays & special activities

291 children (151 girls, 140 boys) participated during summer 2023 in the Summer Camps organised annually by the Don Bosco Foundation in Chişinău.

Since the beginning of the Refugee Response, Ukrainian children have been participating. There has been a Summer Camp targeted specifically to refugee children – and another one mixed.

JUGEND EINE WELT

Integrative approach: Children Beyond War



» French photographers
» Two locations (Chișinău & Congaz)
» Mixed group (refugees & locals)

→ Outside-the-box experience creates new bonds more easily.

At Don Bosco in Chişinău, 6 out of 20 participants were refugee kids.
At Concordia in Congaz, 6 out of 21 participants were refugee kids.

JUGEND EINE WELT

Challenges:
Working with refugee and vulnerable majority population children

Some aspects *can* include:

- "In limbo" situation
- Potential trauma background
- Used to being at home a lot
- Only wanting to stay with UA friends
- Discrimination experience / feeling excluded
- Some parents do not want to grow new roots

Bottom line:
- Easy access
- Special effort
- Integrative principles
(Conflict Sensitive Education)

JUGEND EINE WELT

School situation: Data and recent studies

- School context:
  - High acceptance: CNPAC study shows 80% acceptance for Ukrainian children, while there are specific challenges for Roma children;
  - Only about 1600 Ukrainian refugee children are currently subscribed (nearly 89% at "Russian" schools);
  - School is cool: REACH study shows that refugee children when subscribed to school see it very positive;
  - Not enough Romanian catchup offers, offers in Ukrainian language, lack of school places in the cities;
  - The willingness of teachers/directors to include Ukrainian children varies;
  - Unlike in EU countries, the absence of an obligation to physically attend school hampers integration (prolonged limbo).

JUGEND EINE WELT

After-school situation: challenges & solutions

- After-school context:
  - Replication of the school context (institutions / staff / parents / children);
  - Prolonged interpretation as a temporary situation from all sides;
  - Different orientations in different families – not a homogeneous situation (REACH study) – in important number might stay;
  - Hard to take the step from traditional programmes to integrative approaches;
  - Lack of context specific methodology (e.g., intercultural education).

- But:
  - Individual casework & initiative is the basis for successful integration (examples).

JUGEND EINE WELT

Youth One World intervention

- Training on:
  - Trauma sensitivity
  - Discrimination experience
  - Intercultural education

- Advocacy for a long-term effort by the host society institutions & civil society

JUGEND EINE WELT

Social cohesion is a long-term effort from all sides

Thank you!

Questions?

JUGEND EINE WELT