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FOSTER CARE PROGRAM

Every child deserves their parents' love, protection and care. Family is the most favorable form for children's physical, intellectual, and emotional development. About 2000 children in Transnistria are devoid of the most indispensable thing - a family.

The program has several focus areas:

- SEARCHING FOR POTENTIAL FOSTER FAMILIES
- TRAINING FAMILIES
- GUIDING FAMILIES

We search, find, and motivate married couples to be a foster family for orphans who need custody and care. We look for couples who could help orphans with their physical, social, and emotional upbringing. In other words we look for moms and dads.

























The long-awaited summer camp for foster families has finally taken place. We did not do it last year because of quarantine. This time we barely came back, when we got questions from children and parents, whether it was possible to do it again. This is a wonderful time to spend out in nature: a swimming pool, games for children and teens, master classes, and much more.

"I thank the Fund very much for organizing this holiday for us and our children. Especially in the light of recent events, we badly needed some change. We were out in the open a lot, breathing oxygen, walking around, playing volleyball. A lot of games and engaging workshops were organized for children each day. While our children were busy, my husband and me got to spend some time together. And we also attended very interesting trainings by Viacheslav and Elena Bondar. We learned some new things, and got an update on some of the things we already knew", said foster mother Elena Kuschevaya.

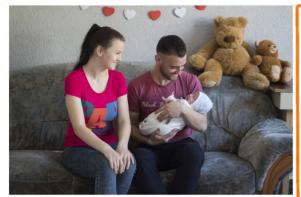
#### TRAININGS FOR FOSTER PARENTS

While the children were busy with sports and master classes, parents had time to communicate with each other, exchange experience and opinions. A six-day training was also organized for foster parents. It was done by our good and faithful friends from Kharkov, a married couple, psychologists Viacheslav and Elena Bondar. We have been working with them for years.



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SCHOOL OF MOTHERHOOD

## **SUMMER CAMP**

We invited the young mothers with children and the pregnant girls from the Center for Temporary Residence to the camp for foster families. They all had a lot of impressions.

Mothers could, finally, get away from their kitchen work, and daily cooking. At camp everyone had 4 meals a day like in a holiday center. They children enjoyed a very interesting activity-filled program. There were games, quests, relay races, contests, creative meetings (with paint, modeling clay, and much more). Children dream of being played with and having fun. During the day, they played a lot, walked, jumped on a trampoline so that by evening they were tired and fell asleep faster. Also, camp had a pool that everyone loved. They could swim, have fun, and improve their health!

The girls and young moms enjoyed recreation as well as various interesting events.

Every day there were group trainings with a psychologist, where the girls could ask questions, analyze their situations, and find ways to solve various problems.

Also, a spa was organized for the women and girls. This is the most beautiful time when representatives of the fair sex can look after themselves and talk about things that may not be interesting to men.

"We learned some new care procedures and several facial massage techniques. On the whole, we had a very cool time. Thank you," young mother said Alexandra Braila.

Program aims to prevent children from ending up in boarding schools and improve parental and marital skills among girls and women in a situation of risk.

We serve to prevent early pregnancy and child abandonment as well as teaches parental-marital skills and offers individual counsel by a team of specialists (a psychologist, a social teacher, a lawyer) in a risk situation including temporary accommodation in an emergency. We also want to involve local church members, especially women, as volunteers in serving girls and women at risk.

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#### A PROGRAM FOR ASSISTING RISK



This summer we have a new sponsor SUMMIT MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL that provides aid in the form of grocery packages.

These three summer months, we are helping 50 families living below the poverty line, single mothers with many children, people with children in difficult situations. Thanks to this project, we have been able to reach more families, and include new families with children in the





For example, the KIPER family. Natalia and Alexander have six children, girls and boys from 17 to 3 years old. Natalia works at a baby food factory, and the father of the family abuses alcohol and does not have a job. These food packages are a huge help to Natalia and her children. Of course, our aid was not limited to this.

The whole family, both the wife and the children, suffer daily from physical and psychological abuse by the drinking father. While mom is at work, the children have to wander around the streets just to be away from home and their father. After Natalia talked with the psychologist at the Fund, she decided to take drastic measures. The lawyer at the Fund is helping Natalia with her divorce and eviction of her wayward husband. Together with the psychologist, they teach Natalia how to cope with threats and psychological pressure from Alexander.

In August, her children were invited to the amusement park so they could get away from the oppressive situation at home. Our work with the family will continue.



REFRIGERATOR for the Tarasenko family



WATERING HOSE for the Gulyamov family



IRON for the Papushoy family



MATERIALS FOR A P A R T M E N T RENOVATION for the Emelyanov family



The main sponsor of the program, offering aid to at-risk families, is the charity from England "ChildAid'. The money saved from food packages was used to help the needy by providing them with household items, equipment, building materials.



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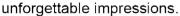
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## THE AMUSEMENT PARK FOR DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN

We also had an opportunity to make happy some children from poor families in the amusement park. In total, more than 100 children from 3 to 16 years old took part in the event. Many of them were on the merry-go-round for the first time. Everyone had



















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## A FOSTER FAM URGENT NE **ACCOMMODA**

Sergei and Elena Spevan have been together since their student years. They have been married for 26 years. They have four adult children, who are 24 years old, 22 years old, 21 years old, 16 years old, and two young grandchildren. Now three of the children have their own families and live separately. The youngest son lives with his parents and is in the tenth grade. They are all very close-knit.

Sergei and Elena are people with big and open hearts. Ten years ago they had an idea of extending their love to several more children, and become foster parents. They were very serious about this decision: they graduated from the Foster Parents School, and for three years have been permanent volunteers of the Fund.

Recently, they have been mentors to four children from a dysfunctional Lebeda (Kristine 16 years old, Viorica 12 years old, Lisa 3 years old, Ivan 9 months old). Their mother is stripped of her parental rights and to avoid sending the children to different residential schools, they were assigned to our temporary residence center. Elena came to the center every day, she cooked food with the girls, and babysitted little Ivan while the girls were at school. The children really like Sergei and Elena. Little Lisa even calls them mom and dad now.

A few months later. Elena and Sergei decided to take all the four children into their care. The child protection serivce, unfortunately, refused them due to their housing



conditions. The family lives in an apartment of 19.5 sq.m. This is extremely little by the law. Each family member must have 12 sq.m. So Sergei and Elena need to expand the living space to at least 80 sq.m. Their own children grew up in a humble flat but in great love. This however cuts no ice with the child service.

Sergei and Elena are dreaming of

two-story house, with bedrooms upstairs, and a large dining-room and a play area for children downstairs. They would make a playground for children out in the yard, and in the garden they would plant many fruit trees.

Our Fund is ready to provide them with a 3-room social flat, but it needs repair and furniture, totaling \$19,000.



# THE SOCIAL TAILOR SHOP

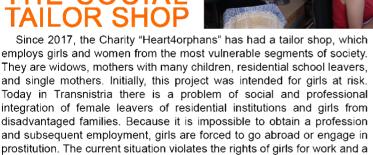




Girls can work part-time and combine work and study. Also, during the pandemic, women began to come to us for temporary employment. They ended up jobless due to the quarantine measures and the difficult economic situation in the republic. Many of them are single mothers or mothers with many children.

Thus, in three years we have managed to support about 100 women and girls at risk. At the moment, about ten women work in the shop, and the demand for this type of activity is growing. So we plan to expand this social service

Now the workshop is located in our office building. However, we have another facility that we would like to equip for a large social workshop studio. All utility systems are already in place there. We have yet to do some finishing work and outfit the facility with furniture. We also have to buy some more sewing machines. To do this, we need about \$7,000.



The social tailor shop teaches them to knit, sew and restore clothes, make various products of felt and other materials. This practice helps the girls to get into the labor market and builds up their work experience. This is very helpful to them. Every day you can earn some hard cash. "In addition to their earnings, girls receive, so to speak, occupational therapy. Firstly, they get an excellent skill in sewing, which can be useful both in everyday life and further employment at factories or tailor shops.

Secondly, many residential school leavers find it difficult to stay focused on their work, which often becomes a stumbling block between the employee and the boss. Here we show understanding and lovingly

decent lifestyle.