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## Acronyms

- AIDs – Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome
- ARC – Autonomous Republic of Crimea
- CAS – Child affairs service
- CC – Coordination Committee
- CRH – Central Rayon Hospital
- CS – comprehensive school
- CSSFCY – Center of social services for family, children and youth
- EU– European Union
- GEE – general educational establishments
- HIV – Human immunodeficiency virus
- ICT –information and communication technologies
- IOM – International Organisation for Migration
- MCH – Mother and child health
- MM – mass media
- MOH – Ministry of Health
- NGO – non-governmental organization
- NMAPO - National Medical Academy of Post-Graduate Education named after P. L. Shupik
- OSA – Oblast State Administration
- POG AMS Institute – Institute of pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology of the Academy of medical sciences of Ukraine
- RSA – Rayon State Administration
- SAPI - Social Activities and Practices Institute
- UN – United Nations Organization
- UNDP – United Nations Development Program Об'єднаних Націй
- WCD – woman consultation department

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### Honorable friends!

2010, follows the trend of previous years in being an interesting and successful one for our organization. The long-term experience of our work continues to confirm what we know to be true: the wellbeing of children is ensured by the creation of sustainable, stable, safe and supportive interactions with surrounding people. The child feels comfortable in the world when somebody is interested in him or her, when his or her needs are satisfied, when he or she has a possibility to express him or herself, and when he or she is able to show his or her abilities.

According to the strategy of the All-Ukrainian Charity «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine,» the years work was directed at ensuring the legal rights, interests, and social protection of children, and at solving problems to do with children in difficult life circumstances. This explains why the direction of our organization's work has remained unchanged and continues to focus on the implementation of principles and provisions based on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, the mobilization of community resources and the community at large in-order to prevent and overcome poverty and homelessness, solving the social problems of children and families, improving public health, the increase in educational potential of the Ukrainian family, and finally, the development of social partnerships directed at improving the well-being of children. The main results of the projects implemented by the Fund within the previous year can be summed up as: the creation of a house for child orphans and children deprived of parental care in which living conditions are similar to family-home living conditions; publication of electronic training module «Counseling on the issues of pregnancy and health of the early-aged child» and educational manual for students of higher educational establishments «Training on health: educational work with adolescents on saving, development and strengthening of their re-

productive health» which is approved by Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine; development of the 18 complex social programs at the rayon level by Coordination Committees, which aimed at improvement of mother and child health, and approved at the sessions of rayon council; the development and testing of «Personal dignity. Life safety. Active Citizenship» - an educational program that through the use of activities, teaches children about human trafficking prevention methods; The successful execution of an informational campaign titled «The child – witness with special needs»; the publication of a methodological manual titled «Profession. Career. Success.»; and the creation of an information and resource center titled «Childhood without abuse».

One noticeable achievement which our organization implemented this year has been the development and implementation of table games and comics for children from different age groups. This interactive form of education not only provides children with important thematic information, but also helps to develop specific decision-making skills and teaches them the ability express themselves. The topic of interactive treatment and communication with the child focuses specifically on trafficking prevention. The educational benefit of having children identify topics directed at forming their system of values is that these values become naturalized. The success of this interactive form of communication has led us to make plans in the future to develop games and comics related to areas other than human trafficking prevention such as the development of a healthy life style, child abuse prevention in the family etc.

We express sincere gratitude to all our friends, partners, governmental structures, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), donors, and benefactors for their support and joint activities in the interests of children. We hope to continue these fruitful collaborations in-order «to make the impossible possible».

### About us

The All-Ukrainian Charity «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» has been working in Ukraine since 1997 and is one of the non-governmental organizations which works professionally in the sphere of development to implement innovative programs directed at increasing the educational potential of the family, and which mobilizes community resources in-order to ensure the best interests of the child. Our organisation is well-known in the territory of Ukraine for our experience in the effective management of complex social projects.

The mission of CWBF: to ensure positive changes which will create an encouraging environment in which the full potential of every Ukrainian child can be fostered.

The main goal of CWBF: to develop and implement innovations in social work and community mobilization. To development partnerships through which living conditions of children and families in Ukraine are improved.

Directions of activities:

- To mobilize community resources and the community at large in the aim of preventing and overcoming poverty, homelessness and the social problems of children and families.
- To create opportunities for everyday people to take control of their own health and the health of their children.

- To increase the educational potential of the Ukrainian family.
- To implement of the principles and provisions of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Since beginning 13 years ago, the Fund has implemented more than 50 international projects directed at solving social problems, improving the living conditions of children, and improving the quality of social services for children and families through implementation of effective, evidence-based technologies. These 13 years of work have greatly strengthened the potential of civil society in Ukraine. The Fund is one of the first NGOs to become a partner with state structures in training their specialists (social workers and social pedagogues) to work with children. More than 150 publications have been prepared by specialists at the Fund. Among these publications are teaching manuals, methodological materials and training modules. Social upgrading courses have been developed and implemented by the fund and are available for social sphere practitioners.

Today «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» is comprised of a powerful team of specialists with skills and experience in the implementation of large-scale social projects. There are 4 Doctors of pedagogical sciences, and 15 PhDs.

Energetic and target-oriented work combined with professionalism sums up the All-Ukrainian Charity «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine».



## The project «Prevention of Human Trafficking through Social Work and Community Mobilization»

**Project goal:** Involving social workers, pedagogues and local community leaders in community development to specifically prevent human trafficking and generally create alternative possibilities for youth.

**Duration period:** 2009-2011  
Project support: the Swiss Confederation

Project partners: the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) mission in Ukraine, the NGO Development Fund "The West-Ukrainian Resource Centre" («Zakhidno-Ukrayinskiy Resursniy Tsentr»), and the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine.

**Project location:** Ivano-Frankivs'ka oblast (Gorodenka town, Vikno village of Gorodenkiv's'kyi rayon, Rogatyn town, Chesnyky village of Rogatyn's'kyi rayon); Lviv's'ka oblast (Sokal' town, Tartakiv village of Sokal's'kiy rayon, Drogobych town, Dobrogostiv village of Drogobyt's'kyi rayon); Autonomous Republic of Crimea (Kirovs'ke urban-type village, Zhuravki village of Kirovs'kyi rayon, Bilogors'k town, Prisivashyne village of Sovets'kyi rayon); Donetsk's'ka oblast (Volodars'k urban-type village, the Republic village of Volodars'kyi rayon, Novoazov's'k urban-type village, Kozats'ke village of Novoazov's'kyi rayon).

«Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» began the project by preparing social sphere practitioners to teach effective human trafficking prevention work at schools.

A part of the wider educational activities program, «Personal dignity. Life safety. Active citizenship.» has been developed for pupils of 7-11 grades. The program promotes self-learning, self-actualization, self-assertiveness and self-improvement. It teaches development of responsible and safe behavioural skills, decision making skills in various life situations, and identification and formation of active citizenship. To test the program, about 200 social pedagogues - form masters, school psychologists, representatives of social service centres for family, children and youth - and members of child affairs departments and NGOs have been trained. During the training, the participants became familiar with materials of the program and sharpened their training skills. Today more than 3000 children in 36 pilot schools participate in the program.

Specialists of the «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» have developed and published 2 interactive games on human trafficking prevention for school children of between grades 7-11 (see the «Publications» Section). The goal of these publications is to provide general educational establishments with the methodological and informational materials on human trafficking prevention.

A poster-making contest has been conducted at pilot schools. This contest is aimed at developing safe attitudes towards the problem of human trafficking by means of art and development of artistic skills. The poster-making contest held great educational importance because as students prepared the posters, they managed not only to extend their worldview, but also articulated the corresponding

attitude towards different phenomena of public life. The children learned to expressively reflect on both positive and negative public phenomena. The jury of the contest chose five poster winners whose art has been published and distributed among the general educational establishments of the pilot rayons.

The pilot schools are at liberty to use funds to implement mini-projects directed at raising the level of consciousness, self identification and social responsibility of community members - particularly children and youth. This consciousness raising is an important condition of human trafficking prevention. Also, these mini-projects may be directed at the creation of alternative possibilities of development for the project target groups in their communities (children of migrants, victims of human trafficking and labour exploitation, labor migrants and vulnerable groups). In 2010 the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) carried out two mini-grant competitions. From these competitions, 17 pilot initiatives in educational establishments have been supported.



The sessions of the program «Personal dignity. Life safety. Active citizenship» at the high school of Sokal town

## The project «Childhood without violence – towards a better child protection system in Eastern Europe»

«Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» has been running the project «Childhood without violence – towards a better child protection system in Eastern Europe» since 2005. This project is quite special because every year it has a specific goal connected with child abuse prevention. In 2010 the project was directed at the needs of children who give evidence in court or are the witness or victim of a criminal case.

In November-December 2010 the All-Ukrainian Charity «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» carried out the second part of the informational campaign «The child-witness requires special support», the first part of which was devoted to the International day of Child Abuse Prevention (November 19). The campaign has been directed at upgrading the professional level of specialists participating in law suits and attracting public attention towards the needs of children-witnesses.

To achieve this goal the specialists of «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» have developed and distributed informational materials for specialists, parents, and children relating to the protection of the best interests of children leading up-to and during the court proceedings. They have also carried out the TOTs for further work aimed at revealing child abuse cases, preparing children to participate in court proceedings, and improving child interview techniques in order to uncover evidence. One outcome of this program has been the introduction of Child Friendly interviewing rooms in which to interview children-witnesses and children-victims.

Within the framework of the project, the following materials have been published:

A brochure for people accompanying the child-witnesses in court «The child is witnessing in a court», a brochure for 10-15 year-old children «I will witness in a court», and a leaflet «The code of

the rights of the child-witness/victim of abuse» (see the «Publication» Section).

Surveys:

A national survey was carried out as part of the project. It was aimed at identifying the attitude of adults towards corporal punishment and identifying possible techniques to help children who have suffered from physical abuse.

It is possible to get familiar with the full version of the survey report at the virtual informational and resource center «Childhood without abuse» <http://www.childfund.org.ua/irc/statistic>.



Poster «Mr. judge, I have the right not to be afraid»



**Project goal:** to upgrade the professional level of specialists working with children who have suffered abuse. To raise social awareness around the problem of child abuse.

**Duration period:** 2010-2013  
Project support: OAK Foundation (Switzerland)

Project partners: «Nobody's Children Foundation» (Poland), Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine.

**Project location:** Bulgaria, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Poland, Ukraine.



**Project goal:** To improve the availability, quality, effectiveness and access to promotional, preventive and curative maternal and child health (MCH) services in selected Ukrainian oblasts, rayons and communities.

**Duration period:** 2008-2010  
**project support:** the Swiss Confederation.

The implementation on the part of Switzerland is carried out by the Swiss Center for International Health (the subdivision of the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute, in the city of Basel) in cooperation with the Ministry of Health of Ukraine. These institutions are responsible for the Program strategy, guidance and success.

**Project partners:**

- Pilot oblasts and rayons: Oblast State Administration departments of health, Rayon State Administration, Central Rayon Hospitals.
- National Medical Academy of Post-Graduate Education (NMAPO) named after P.L. Shupik, the Institute of Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology of the Academy of Medical Sciences, Lviv Medical National University named after D. Galits'kyy, Ivano-Frankivs'kyy State Medical University, «The School of Public Health» (National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy) etc.
- Association of development of Ukrainian telemedicine and health (the city of Donetsk).



Голова НР Снятинського району Тодорук А.М. презентує районну соціальну програму «Здоров'я матері та дитини» під час підведення підсумків моніторингу в Івано-Франківську область (березень 2010 р.)

## The Project: Component 1 «Intersectoral model of mother and child health promotion» of the Ukraine-Swiss Program «Mother and Child Health 2008-2010».

### *The Program consists of 3 main components and 1 integrated component:*

**Main Component 1:** Intersectoral model of mother and child health promotion.

**Main Component 2:** Adaptation, dissemination and implementation of an integrated perinatal care model.

**Main Component 3:** Modern Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) including telemedicine and eLearning.

**Integrated Component 4:** MCH services management capacity is strengthened.

The All-Ukrainian Charity «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» has implemented the Program Component 1 «Intersectoral model of mother and child health promotion».

The work of the Fund in 2010 has been concentrated on achieving the outcomes of Component 1 stipulated in its Project Document.

Developing the social policy in pilot rayons and establishing effective intersectoral cooperation progressed as follows:

- Draft presentations of complex social programs were developed by members of Coordination Committees (CCs) who are representatives of

the local rayon community. 541 representatives of the rayon participated in 19 seminars and discussions. 24 reports by rayon mass media were made.

- Experience exchange seminars were carried out for the heads of the Coordination Committees on MCH promotion. The participants shared their experience organizing work using intersectoral approaches in the sphere of MCH. They also developed a systematizing strategy for organizing and implementing social programs at the local level.
- During two training sessions carried out at each pilot rayon (8 in total), the representatives of the MCH CCs gained the knowledge and skills of systematic program monitoring, and developed monitoring plans for rayon programs.
- 54 consultations were made by oblast component coordinators to the CC members regarding the organization of their work.

As the result of this work 18 (the target indicator was 8 programs) complex social MCH programs have been approved by the rayon councils (Khmilnyts'kyy, Mogyliv-Podils'kyy, Illinets'kyy, Tulchyns'kyy, Kalynivs'kyy, Lenins'kyy, Dzhancoys'kyy, Krasnogvardyys'kyy, Saks'kyy, Kolomyys'kyy, Snyatyns'kyy, Gorodenkivs'kyy, Verkhovyns'kyy, Lyuboml's'kyy, Gorokhivs'kyy, Luts'kyy, Manevyts'kyy rayons). The programs will last 2-5 years and have more than UAH 8 mln in funding.

The following improvements to the quality of service provision «Preparation of pregnant women and their family members to delivery and parenthood» have been made:

- A series of training sessions (two sessions, 3 days each) were carried out for representatives of the health and social sphere. The rayon representatives were familiarized with the principles of Responsible Parenting Schools. They

learned the necessary training skills for pregnant women and their partners and they created their own plans for further work on service implementation.

- The equipment for the Responsible Parenting Schools training sessions (amounting to UAH 221 000) was purchased and delivered to 22 pilot establishments. Equipment included chairs, insulating pads, wall bars, fitness balls, chairs for delivery, and carpeting.
- Proposals regarding the amendments to be made to the Order ("Nakaz") № 503 «On upgrading the level of provision of the outpatient obstetrical and gynaecological assistance in Ukraine» of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine were submitted.
- A supporting seminar was carried out for the rayon specialists working at Responsible Parenting Schools. This was a skills upgrading seminar aimed at familiarizing specialists with new forms and methods of work (fitness and pilates for pregnant women).
- Handouts and visual aids (posters, flyers, video films, posters etc.) were delivered to those establishments which had participated in the training.
- The training program for specialists who will implement the service «The Program of preparation of the specialists of the Centers of social services for family, children and youth to work at Responsible Parenting School» was approved by a State Program aimed at preparing those specialists who work at centers of social service for family, youth and children (the Order of the State Social Service № 64 as of 13.12.2010).

As the result of the work outlined above, the service «Preparation of pregnant women and their family members to delivery and parenthood» has been improved in 22 pilot rayons (the target indicator was – 8). According to the results of ques-



**Program location:** Ivano-

Frankivska oblast (Khalus'kyy, Gorodenkivs'kyy, Kolomyys'kyy, Nadvirnyans'kyy, Snyatyns'kyy, Verkhovyns'kyy rayons); Volyns'ka oblast (Ratnivs'kyy, Gorokhivs'kyy, Luts'kyy, Lyuboml's'kyy, Manevyts'kyy rayons); Vinnyts'ka oblast (Khmilnyts'kyy, Illinets'kyy, Kalynivs'kyy, Kozyatyns'kyy, Tulchyns'kyy, Mogyliv-Podils'kyy rayons); Autonomous Republic of Crimea (Dzhankoys'kyy, Lenins'kyy, Saks'kyy, Bakhchysarays'kyy, Krasnogvardyys'kyy rayons).

tioning that the Fund held, it has been identified that: the psychological state of women during pregnancy and delivery has been improved. This is one of the necessary conditions of the normal course of women. There has also been an increase in the proportion of families who are satisfied with pregnancy, delivery and preparation of parenting.

The work that went into providing the service «Preventive client-oriented counseling on mother and child health issues» (The essence of the service is to provide pregnant women, their partners and the members of their families with informational and consultative support in creating the conditions for the birth of a healthy baby and his or her upbringing at various stages of development) is outlined below:

- A series of training sessions were carried out in each pilot rayon (2 trainings, 3 days each).
- 105 specialists (obstetricians and gynaecologists, midwives, nurses and social workers) were familiarized with the methodology of client-oriented counselling. They were trained in practical hearing skills, questioning skills, and the ability to provide information during the counselling process.
- Training modules of «Client-oriented counselling» were approved by the Academic Council of the National Medical Academy of Post-Graduate Education (NMAPO) named after P. L. Shupik (the minutes № 2 as of 10.02.2010)
- The electronic training module «Counseling on the issues of pregnancy and health of the early-aged child» was published (it has been recommended to be published by the Central Methodological Higher Education Cabinet of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, the minutes № 5 as of 28.12.2010);

The result is that the service «Preventive client-oriented counseling on mother and child health issues» is now supported in 18 pilot rayons (the

target indicator was 8) by representatives of the social and medical sector.

The following steps were required to implement the service «Training on health» (the essence of this service is to provide information to adolescents and provide training through the program «Steps to your health»):

- Training sessions were carried out preparing specialists (teachers, social pedagogues, school psychologists, health care workers, representatives of the children and youth rayon NGOs) to carry out their own training sessions with adolescents. 112 specialists participated in the training. 5-6 specialists from each pilot rayon were prepared to implement the service.
- Supervision support was provided to the specialists who had attended the whole course of training.
- The educational manual «Training on health: educational work with adolescents on saving, development and strengthening of their reproductive health» was published (recommended to be published by the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, the letter as of 22.12.10 № 1/11-11786).
- The specialized training program («The Program of preparation of specialists the Centers of social services for family, children and youth to activity directed at improvement of reproductive and sexual health of the youth») was approved by the state Program of preparation of specialists of the centers of social services for family, children and youth (the Order of the State Social Service № 64 as of 13.12.2010).
- Every trained specialist was given an educational video «When a child is growing up» and four board games «Step by step», «The Lord of the rings», «Adventures in the country of Health», «Photo counter» necessary for implementing the service (used to upgrade the



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level of knowledge and teaching the problems connected with HIV/AIDs infected children and youth). The board games were provided by the HIV/AIDS Alliance.

The result of the activity was the successful implementation of training sessions for adolescents by trained specialists in 16 rayons (the target indicator was 8). 229 sessions were carried out for adolescents. About 4500 students between grades 8-11 attended the training. This service is being successfully provided in the following pilot rayons: Illinets'kyy, Khmilnyts'kyy, Kalyniv'skyy, Mogyliv-Podil'skyy, (Vinnyts'ka oblast), Gorokhiv'skyy, Manevyts'kyy (Volyn'ska oblast, Nadvirnyans'kyy, Kolomyys'kyy, Gorodenkiv'skyy, (Ivano-Frankivska oblast), Lenins'kyy, Dzhankoys'kyy, (Autonomous Republic of Crimea).

To monitor the success of this service in pilot rayons, we conducted questioning of the target group. The training participants evaluated the change in

attitude towards their own health in the following way: «I started to take care of myself more because I had learned a lot» (56,3%), «I started to lead healthy lifestyle» (25,9%); «I devote more time to sports (started to go in for sports)» (19%); «gave up smoking» (5,3%); «started to pay more attention to personal hygiene» (12,2%); «I became more preferable in sexual relationships» (3%); «I will manage my own life in a more responsible way, I will take care of my health» (16%); «I will take into account the feelings more seriously;» «I will try to plan my life in a clever way;» I have knowledge about reproductive health to give birth to a healthy baby» (2,2%); «I have knowledge about reproductive health for the future sexual life» (22,6%).

The following activities were carried out in-order to support the «Early Childhood Development» service:

- Supervision was provided during monitoring visits to specialists who had attended the whole



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series of training, 4 monitoring visits to pilot rayons were carried out.

- The stationary for sessions with parents was purchased and delivered.
- The program for specialists to offer the service «The Program of preparation of specialists the Centers of social services for family, children and youth to work with parents of the early-aged children» was approved by the state Program of preparation of specialists of the Centers of social services for family, children and youth (the Order of the State Social Service № 64 as of 13.12.2010).

The result of this work is that 274 training seminars for 3283 parents were carried out in 16 pilot rayons (the target indicator was 8) by representatives of the health and social sectors. According to the budget, 23 training sessions for specialists were also offered.

#### The Success of Component 1 led to:

- Increase in the level of awareness of those target groups in the sphere of mother and child health who received the services by trained specialists and who attended the whole series of trainings (questioning proved the success).

- Improvement of mutual understanding and cooperation between doctors and patients within the framework of the service «Preventive client-oriented counseling on mother and child health issues» (The questioning below proves its success).
- Increase in the number of physiological deliveries from 65% to 81 % (among those women who attended the interactive trainings in Responsible Parenting Schools).
- Increase in the number of partner deliveries from 67% to 85 % (among those family couples who attended the interactive trainings in Responsible Parenting Schools).
- Improvement of pilot rayon population access to quality social and medical services implemented in the framework of the Program. The financial and organizational support of complex social problems by the consultants of component 1.
- Ensuring the sustainability of the results of the Ukraine-Swiss Program «Mother and Child Health 2008-2010» for the next 3-5 years according to the terms of the rayon social programs which had been adopted.

- The impact of the project has been ensured by the changes which took place in:
- The quantity and quality of the service provided by the representatives of the medical, educational and social sectors in 22 Program pilot rayons in the sphere of mother and child health (three new services were implemented and the quality of one service in each pilot rayon was improved).
- The readiness of 610 rayon specialists in organizing the intersectoral cooperation and the provision of services in the mother and child sphere – the whole series of training sessions was attended by 25 to 37 specialists from each pilot rayon. (Health care specialists, workers of the educational sphere, social workers, representatives of rayon state administration, representatives of mass media sector, and NGOs).
- Approaches to solutions of MCH problems at the rayon level. The intersectoral approach was implemented in the hope of uniting the efforts of various sectors in-order to improve public health. In 18 rayons, the organizations and establishments of various sectors (educational, political, social, public, health) are implementing rayon social programs aimed at the needs of the community and local conditions.

«Our children today often face unwise and aggressive advertising of cigarettes, alcohol and so called “free relationships”, so it’s very important for us to be able to learn how to work to counteract the abovementioned issues, to present information about the world and one’s responsibility for one’s own health in an interesting and accessible way. I’m grateful to a Program for the intellectual and material help which is invaluable».

G.I. Mukutyuk, the head of the methodological center, the department of education of Kolomyys'ky rayon

«When I use the client-oriented approach it allows me to build supportive relationships with a woman, increase the level of activity of the client and form responsible attitudes to one’s health. The client changes her attitude towards the course of pregnancy, her ability to participate in decision-making relating to the necessary medical assistance grows».

I. A. Koval’chuk, the head of the woman consultation department Khmilnyts’kyy Central Rayon Hospital, Vinnuts’ka oblast.

When I had attended the seminars carried out in the frames of the Program Component 1, I learned about modern methodologies of preparation to deliveries, learned how to train partners to help and support during the delivery process, how to use methods of pain-killing without using new drug-free palliating methods, preparation of the family to childbirth. I learned about the specific features of mother’s and father’s psychology, improved my practical skills in various physical and breathing complexes for pregnant women.

The knowledge I had got helped me to change the tactics of leading the delivery process, I learned how to behave when the delivery is in vertical position, i.e. delivery on the chair. The main conditions are my experience and a woman who has been trained in the RPS. It’s very important for a woman to be emotionally calm, to get familiarized with the method before the delivery starts. It’s necessary to explain all advantages, answer all her questions because the woman has to choose herself and she has to see our readiness to help her. Using of new methodologies allows creating favorable atmosphere in the delivery process when a woman is ready to express her senses and feelings openly and this allows us to evaluate her state and provide necessary assistance.

Ol’ga Vitaliyivna Zasukha, the midwife of the delivery department of Dzhancoys’kyy Central Rayon Hospital, Autonomous Republic of Crimea



**Project goal:** To create an effective net of innovative establishments in the city of Kirovograd. The hope is that these establishments will become the quality alternative to existing boarding schools.

**Duration period:** 2010 - 2011.

**Project Support:** Implementation of the program in Ukraine became possible due to expert and financial assistance of partner European organizations which have substantial experience in the implementation of similar forms of upbringing in their own countries:

- ChildFund Deutschland e.V., Germany;
- the "Our home" Association ("Nash Dim");
- Delegation of the European Commission to Ukraine.

**Project partners:** Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine; Kirovograd city council and executive committee of Kirovograd city council.

**Project location:** the city of Kirovograd.

## The Project: Creation of family homes for children in Ukraine (2010)

The project «Creation of family homes for children in Ukraine (2010)» is the third phase of the Program «Our Home» which implements an alternative form of upbringing for children. This program was initiated by the All-Ukrainian Charity «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» in 2007 simultaneously with the «State target social program of reforming of the system of establishments for orphans and children deprived of parental care» which was officially adopted in Ukraine.

The concept of the alternative form of raising children foresees the creation of a family-oriented environment (with up to 15 kids) which will contribute to the development of proper skills necessary for the further independent life (cooking, cleaning, purchase of products, childcare, independent planning of their education process and leisure time etc) of youth in the program. The educators who work with the children bear personal responsibility for the physical, psychological and intellectual development of the children under their care and they also carry out work directed at reintegrating the children into their biological families.

Within the framework of the program, three new types of family homes («Our home») have been opened (2 - in the city of Kirovograd and 1 in the city of Kaniv). The houses were purchased, redecorated and furnished at the donors' expenses and with the help of internal investments (more than UAH 8 mln).

The effectiveness of this model was proven by the fact that in the city of Kaniv, within a year-and-a-half of work in this new type of home («Our Home»), a team of educators positively changed the destinies of 15 children: 4 children were

returned to their biological families; 6 children were placed in foster families; 1 child was adopted; and 4 children were prepared for independent life and are now studying at professional colleges and higher educational establishments. Since the beginning of the project «Our home,» the return or placement of the child in a family environment in Kaniv has been the driving goal and the successful reality of the program. The «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» has given the house (which costs UAH 500 000) to the communal property of Cherkass'ka oblast. This house functions as the Oblast Social Center for Mother and Child, and is geared towards saving families and raising children in a family environment.

After 2 years of work in the city of Kirovograd, 25 children who were educated in «Our home» were positively affected by their experience in the following ways: 7 have been adopted; 2 returned to their biological families; 1 entered a higher educational establishment after he graduated school; and 2 have entered the lyceum after 9th grade. One more child is being prepared for adoption.

On the 5th of October 2010, the opening of the second «Our home» for orphans and children deprived of parental care took place in the city of Kirovograd. Contrary to previous homes, the creation of the new home for small citizens was started from the planning phase. By the efforts of the «Presto-Bud» construction company, the plan of the house was designed. This project met all existing construction and exploitation norms and standards while still allowing the children to feel the comfort of home. In 10 short months, this new beautiful house appeared in the center of the city of Kirovograd. The house was ready to invite up

to 12 child-orphans who would not only have a place to call home, but would also receive hope for a better future.

The city community showed its support and thanks to the initiative of local authorities and self-government, as well as the efforts of local business structures, more than a million and five hundred thousand UAH was allocated to implement the project. This money was used to pay for the construction work and equipment for building and setting up the house.

The house is looking forward to seeing its first inhabitants in January 2011.

*«I met children who I had not seen for two years. They changed and this impressed me a lot. They became self-confident, friendly, sincere people. They told me about their life, their study at ordinary city schools, shared their successes and impressions. They also were telling me about household which they make with their own hands. I can see the progress and how far ahead we have already gone, so now I can confidently report to German donors who had given their money for this project that this money were not used in vain, that act of kindness is being done. There are perspectives to deepen the cooperation with colleagues from Kirovograd».*

Joern Ziegler, the director,  
ChildFund Deutschland

*«I think real success is in the fact that we managed to create the system of help for children who found themselves in difficult life circumstances. And Kirovograd became the example of success in this activity»*

Ulyana Dolunyak,  
the «Our home» Association, Poland

*«I find it very positive that two children from the «Our home-1» returned to their families, six children were adopted when they were teenagers which is quite problematic for such children because those who adopt usually prefer small ones. Two children were released from the diagnosis «psychological*

*developmental delay» and now they attend an ordinary school. The result of such system of upbringing is full social adaptation of «state» children. After their graduation from schools they enter the higher educational establishments. One boy became the student of Kyiv Polytechnic University, several other graduates became the students of Kirovograd state pedagogical university».*

Lyudmila Dorokhina, the head of the department of family and youth, local council

*«I have even chosen a room for myself. We were told that there would be ten of us here and I believe our new family will be friendly. Now I'm studying at school № 19 which is close to «Our home-1», but if it's necessary I will change for a new one, which won't take much time to go to. I like it very much».*

Natalka Protsenko, 12 years old, the pupil

*«The children-adolescents will live here. Some will come from «Our home -1», but there will also be some new ones from the local boarding school. They will have better living conditions here, close to family conditions and every child will have a separate room. One educator will take care of two children. Our management (particularly, the director of «Our home» Sergiy Pokidov) has selected the pedagogues in a very precise and attentive manner. The educators attended special trainings, they were taught how to work with new methods of upbringing, social adaptation of children».*

Svitlana Chystyakova, the educator



Заняття за програмою «Особиста гідність»  
Сокальській гімназії





**Project goal:** To create an effective net of innovative establishments in the city of Kirovograd. The hope is that these establishments will become the quality alternative to existing boarding schools.

**Duration period:** 2010 - 2011.

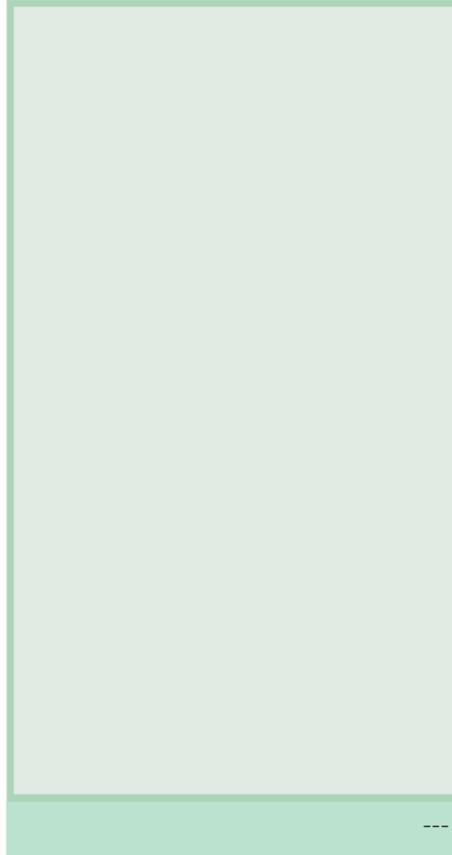
**Project Support:** Implementation of the program in Ukraine became possible due to expert and financial assistance of partner European organizations which have substantial experience in the implementation of similar forms of upbringing in their own countries:

- ChildFund Deutschland e.V., Germany;
- the "Our home" Association ("Nash Dim");
- Delegation of the European Commission to Ukraine.

**Project partners:** Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine; Kirovograd city council and executive committee of Kirovograd city council.

**Project location:** the city of Kirovograd.

## Publications



**The board games «Hit the high spots» (Galopom po Yevropakh), and «Rose-coloured glasses».**

- While playing the «Rose-coloured glasses» game, grade 7-9 students become knowledgeable about the complex problem of human trafficking, how Ukrainian citizens are caught in the nets of human traffickers, and recommendations about how to prevent risky situations. This helps them form ideas about human rights, and also about what rights are violated when

humans are trafficked.

- In another game «Hit the high spots» (Galopom po Yevropakh) the participants (students between grades 7-11) find themselves in various situations regarding leaving the country and living and behaving abroad. Students also discuss the problem of trade traffic and human trafficking, and analyze the reasons and consequences of this phenomenon. The purpose of the game is to achieve maximum stability, travel abroad, and develop one's own business through the effective management of one's life plans. Through this the children have a chance to analyze the possible risks and consequences of careless actions.

**The brochure for persons accompanying the child-witnesses in court «the child is witnessing in the court».**

- This brochure includes practical advice about how to help children feel more confident in the role of a witness in court. There is information about acts which the representative of the child can perform within the legal framework which will ensure better protection of the child.

**The brochure was prepared on the basis of the «Gdy Twoje Dziecko jest wiadkiem w s dzie» publication, written by the 'Nobody's Children Foundation (Poland).'**

**Brochure for the children of 10-15 years old «I'll witness in a court»**

- This brochure will help the child find out about the task of the witness, who he or she will meet as a witness, what will happen during legal proceedings and after they are over, and how juvenile witnesses should be interviewed.

The brochure has been published on the basis of the materials of «B d wiadkiem w s dzie» by 'Nobody's Children Foundation.'

**The leaflet «The code of rights of the child-witness/victim of child abuse».**

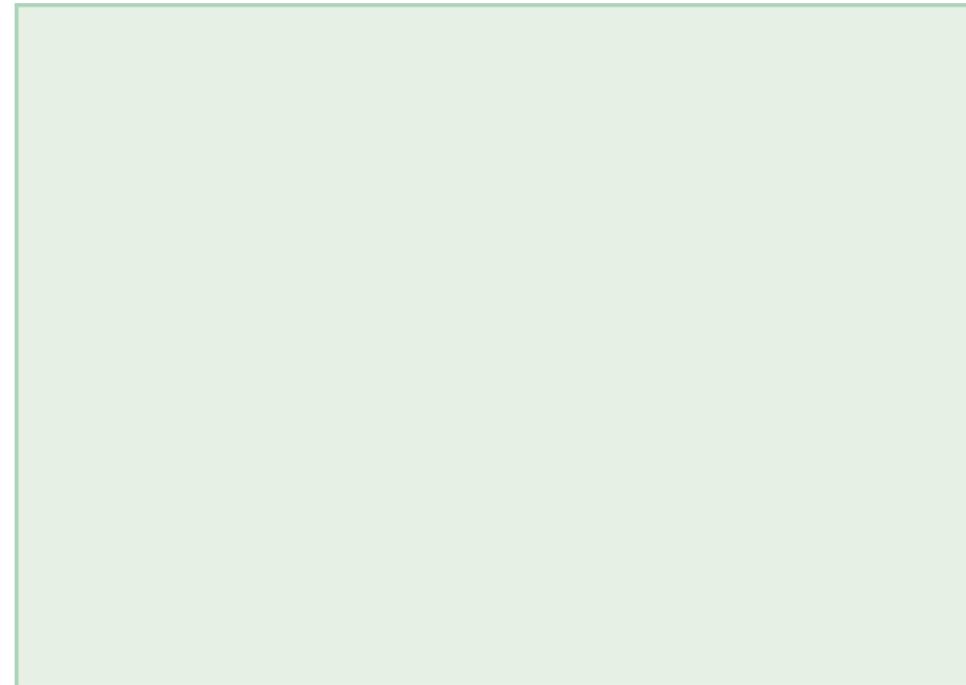
**The educational manual «Training on health: educational work with adolescents on saving, development and strengthening of their reproductive health»**

- The philosophical, social, and pedagogical problems of reproductive health of adolescents and youth are highlighted in this manual.
- Support of healthy lifestyles are interpreted not only through an individual approach but also through groups and communities.
- The task of this edition is to prepare specialists to train in practical activity situations and to up-

grade the level of awareness of specialists who carry out promotional work on the reproductive health of adolescents and youth and who implement the service «Training on health».

**The electronic training module «Counseling on the issues of pregnancy and health of the early-aged child».**

- The materials of this module allow upgrading in the professional level of pregnancy counseling health care workers, and mothers of early-aged children. The module contains information about the essence and technologies of counseling, the wide spectrum of pregnancy-related problems, health of early-aged children, psychology of pregnant women, protection of rights of pregnant women and families with early-aged children, various aspects of a healthy lifestyle during pregnancy, and preparation of delivery, care and breastfeeding of young children.





## Cooperation with international organizations

The All-Ukrainian Charity «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine» is a group that works in collaboration with government ministries and consultative and civic councils including:

- Interdisciplinary groups directed at reforming the system of rights protection for children in Ukraine by developing holistic state strategies. (Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine).
- Groups which develop social service standards in the sphere of HIV prevention among vulnerable children and youth (State social service for family, children and youth of the Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine and the project of HIV/AIDs service in Ukraine).
- Groups that develop the National state target program to ensure equal rights and possibilities of women and men for the period up to 2015 (Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine together with the Equal Opportunities and Women's rights in Ukraine Program UNDP\EC).
- Groups in the Ministry of Health of Ukraine on making amendments to the Order № 503 of the MOH «On upgrading the level of provision of the outpatient obstetrical and gynaecological assistance in Ukraine».
- Groups that develop the National state social program of family support and demographical development for the period up to 2015 (Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine).
- The council on juvenile justice (the Institute of legislation of Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine together with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) in Ukraine).
- Groups that focus on the issues of developing systems of reporting, monitoring and evaluating the work of social services catering to family, children and youth.
- The civil council of the State social service ca-

tering to family, children and youth.

- The group developing the Concept of the Program of EURO 2012: Football for social responsibility and social integration (Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine).

One of the most important activities of the Fund is to establish and develop international relationships. Participation by representatives of the Fund in below-mentioned conferences, congresses, and seminars (national and international) plays an important role in establishing, further developing, and maintaining connections with state organizations, non-governmental organizations, and educational establishments of foreign countries. The Fund has done this by attending the following international events:

- 12th International congress «Infancy in Times of Transition» held by the international organization «World Association for Infant Mental Health» (Leipzig, Germany).
- The summer school EuTEACH – 2010 has been organized for specialists working in the

sphere of adolescents' health (Saint-Petersburg, Russia).

- The summer school in Lugano (Switzerland) was organized by the Swiss agency for development and cooperation and the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute.
- The international seminar «Standards of social services in the sphere of human trafficking counteraction in Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus: the experience of practical implementation» which was held by the international organization «La Strada Ukraine» (the city of Kyiv).
- The VII Conference «The assistance for children-victims of the crime», organized and carried out by the «Nobody's Children Foundation», Polish organization (Warsaw, Poland).
- International seminar «Child Victimization. Dimensions and Prevention». The Organizer: SAPI (Social Activities and Practices Institute), the city of Sophia, Bulgaria.



The All-Ukrainian Charity Fund «Child Well-being Ukraine» has upgraded its official website [www.childfund.org.ua](http://www.childfund.org.ua). Apart from the information which refers to the activity of the «Child Well-being Fund Ukraine», one can find a whole list and detailed description of training and consultative services provided by the specialists of the training studio of the Fund. There is also a list of publications with annotations, the contacts of regional resources and consultative centers for social sphere practitioners as well as the description of their services. One can also find the "information - and resource center «Childhood without abuse»"

## Informational resources

Information and resource center «Childhood without abuse»  
(<http://childfund.org.ua/irc>)

The interview carried out by the institute of management problems named after Gorshenin in June 2010 had revealed that 78,0% of Ukrainians considered child abuse the most widely spread negative phenomenon threatening childhood in our country.

While experts state that abuse is not a permanent phenomenon in our life and one should not perceive it passively, the report on child abuse in the world prepared by the United Nations Children's Fund underlines the possibilities for prevention of child abuse, and admit its effects exist. The scientific basis for the development of effective strategies and therapeutic interventions is constantly extending. If the few conditions are met including the proper level of loyalty and investment in children, creative approaches to abuse prevention can lead to serious positive changes. To achieve such positive changes "Child Well-being Fund Ukraine" created the virtual information and resource center «Childhood without abuse» at the end of August 2010. This portal is implemented within the framework of the project «Childhood without violence – towards a better child protection system in Eastern Europe» which is supported by the OAK Foundation in partnership with the Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine.

The Internet plays significant role in the life of

modern Ukrainian people. More than 8,5 mln Ukrainians use the Internet every day or almost every day. The number of constant users is quite big and is growing. This is why the relevance of informational internet-connected initiatives in the sphere of child abuse counteraction is increasing.

The information and resource center «Childhood without abuse» brings together informational, educational, methodological and other resources for specialists, parents and other people who are effected by violence and abuse towards children. The information and resource center contains the following sections:

- Prevention of child abuse.
- A child-witness.
- Child safety in the Internet.
- Legislation and legal issues.
- Statistical data and surveys.
- Where to go to get some help.
- A «News» section. This section highlights the events in Ukraine in the sphere of child abuse prevention.

According to statistical data of visits, the most popular sections of the information and resource center are:

- Statistical data and surveys.
- Legislation and legal issues.
- Prevention of child abuse.

## Financial report

### Statement of activities for the fiscal year 2010

Доходи неприбуткової установи		Public Support and Revenue
Сума одержаної безповоротної фінансової допомоги, безоплатних надходжень, добровільних пожертвувань	4 747 375,00	Contributions and grants
Сума коштів	4 735 275,00	Cash
Вартість майна	12 100,00	Goods
Пасивні доходи	14 107,00	Bank interests and ROE gains
<b>Всього грн.</b>	<b>4 761 482,00</b>	<b>Total UAH</b>
Загальна сума профінансованих видатків		Expenses
Сума витрат на утримання неприбуткової установи	141 120,00	Operating expenses
Витрати на виконання статутних завдань (проведення основної діяльності)	4 271 263,00	Program
<b>Всього грн.</b>	<b>4 545 554,00</b>	<b>Total UAH</b>

### Donors' Structures which have financed Program activity in 2010

Exp	Inflow		
1 317 742,00	1 224 255,00	IOM	
220 291,00	247 638,00	OAK	
1 414 330,00	1 484 239,00	MCH	
1 654 085,00	1 328 575,00	CFG	
		Other/Інші	
<b>4 606 448,00</b>	<b>4 284 707,00</b>		<b>100,00%</b>

### Structure of organization's expenses

Видатки на статутну діяльність	4 271 263,00	96,80 %	Видатки на статутну діяльність
Видатки на утримання неприбуткової організації	141 120,00	3,20 %	Видатки на утримання неприбуткової організації
	<b>4 412 383,00</b>	<b>100%</b>	





## Partners

Here are our partnership and cooperation with international and national organisations working in the interest of every child and the development of the social sphere:

- Swiss Confederation;
- Delegation of the European Commission to Ukraine;
- The UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) in Ukraine;
- International Federation of Social workers (IFSW);
- International Foster Care Organisation (IFCO);
- International organization for migration;
- Ministry of Family, Youth and Sports Affairs of Ukraine;
- Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine;
- Ministry of Health of Ukraine;
- Criminal Police Department on Child Affairs of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine;
- State social service for family, children and youth;
- Council of Ministers of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea;
- Ukrainian Association of social workers and social work specialists;
- Institute for upbringing problems of the Academy of pedagogical sciences of Ukraine;
- ChildFund Deutschland;
- "Nobody's Children Foundation" (Poland);
- "Our home" Association (Poland);
- «Nations United» (Canada);
- more than 20 oblast and local executive bodies and local authorities;
- more than 10 universities and other higher education institutions;
- more than 30 mass media;
- more than 50 regional and local NGOs;
- more than 100 general education institutions