

# OTCHIY DIM

(FATHER'S HOUSE)

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ANNUAL REPORT  
2021



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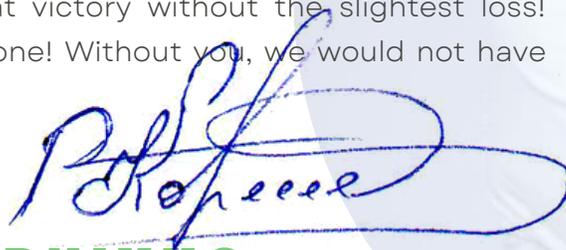
Dear Friends and Partners!

2021 turned out to be one of the most economically difficult and politically stressful years. We were faced with unforeseen circumstances which raised questions to the functioning of Otchiy Dim/Father's House, and I am extremely moved that you and I have managed not only to stand with dignity, but also to achieve the results we are happy to describe in our annual report.

Thanks to your Love, manifested in generous and sincere Gifts for children who have lost their families and homes, we have brought worthy fruit to the Kingdom of God! Thank you so much for your devotion and faith in God shown in your joint efforts with us. We know each of you will receive a share of the Reward from Him! By changing someone's destiny for the better, we receive God's blessings into our own lives and for our children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren ... and so on for thousands of generations! By rescuing one child, we also change the descendants who will come out of her womb.

We are building a future in which we will live together with our descendants and those whom we have helped. We are becoming creators of history, the course of which will also be influenced by the children we saved, and all this thanks to our joint efforts! We thank God for you!

May God help overcome all our trials and, with God's help, come out with a great victory without the slightest loss! Thanks again to everyone! Without you, we would not have been able to do this.



**ROMAN KORNIYKO**

Chairman of the Board  
ICF "Otchiy Dim/Father's House"



# WE INVISION

Ukraine as a country where every child, in difficult life circumstances, has the opportunity to receive timely professional, social, and spiritual assistance and the opportunity to grow in a family, develop and realize their gifts and talents, embodying God's vision for their lives.

# OUR MISSION

To help a child, thus changing generations;

To build a future, thus creating history.

Our goal is to provide a child with the necessary comprehensive assistance: social and pedagogical, legal, medical, etc.

## **We do our best to:**

- Save a family for a child and a child for a family;
- Return a child to a rehabilitated biological family;
- Find a family that will be ready to adopt a child;
- Prepare a child for independent living.

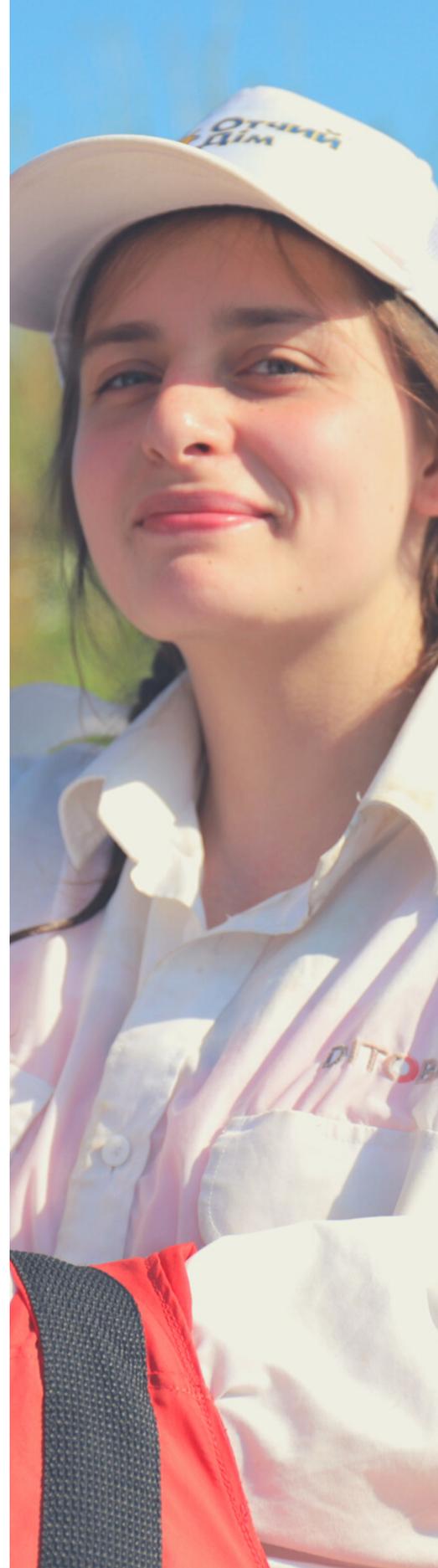


# WE BELIEVE

That by uniting the efforts of churches, charitable and public organizations and public authorities, it is possible to completely solve the problem of orphanhood, as well as give children the opportunity to live and be raised in a loving family.

## IN UKRAINE

- THERE WILL BE NO ORPHANS
- EVERY CHILD WILL RECEIVE PROPER HELP AND ATTENTION
- THERE WILL BE NO NEED FOR ORPHANAGES AND CHILDREN'S HOMES
- EVERY CHILD WILL BE RAISED IN A LOVING FAMILY

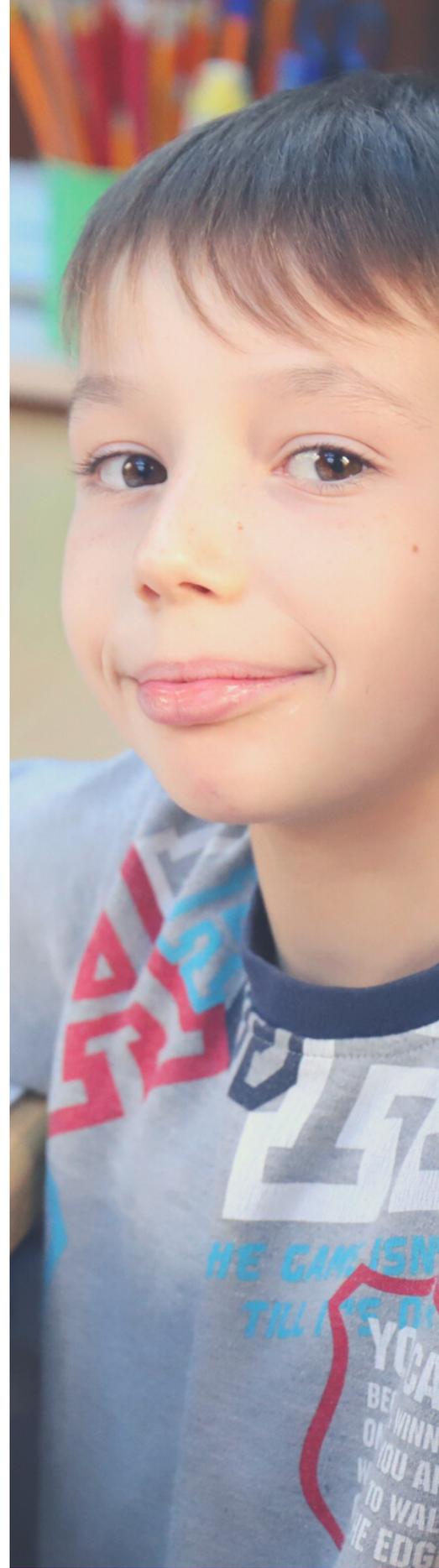


# VALUES

- Christian virtues
- Mercy
- Kindness
- Compassion
- Willingness to come to the rescue
- Family
- Family relationships with all alumni of Otchiy Dim/Father's House

# PRINCIPLES

- We put the child in the center
- We do not allow the formation of Otchiy Dim/Father's House dependence by alumni
- We encourage our alumni to participate in others projects
- We ensure transparency and openness of the activities of Otchiy Dim/Father's House
- Mobilize society to responsibility for solving the problems of children and families in crisis
- We believe that prevention is always faster, more efficient and cheaper for solving any problems, especially orphanhood
- No orphanage, not even the best in the world, will replace a family for a child
- Children have the right and must be raised in families



# WHOM WE HELP

- Fatherless children
- Children who are deprived of parental care
- Children at risk of becoming social orphans
- Children who have experienced sexual abuse
- Children with disabilities
- Children from among IDPs
- Teenagers and alumni of various children's institutions
- Mothers with children who have experienced domestic abuse
- Pregnant women who do not wish to turn to abortion, but have no opportunities to raise a child
- Families that want to adopt children
- Families that have adopted a child
- Families that have committed to upbringing orphans
- Families that are raising children with disabilities
- Local communities
- Christian churches

# AREAS OF WORK

- PROTECTING THE CHILD'S RIGHT TO THE FAMILY
- STRENGTHENING SOCIALLY VULNERABLE FAMILIES
- SUPPORT FOR ALUMNI FROM VARIOUS FORMS OF UPBRINGING
- DEVELOPMENT AND ADDITIONAL EDUCATION
- CREATING MATERIAL AND TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT BASES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SOCIAL AND CHARITY PROGRAMS/PROJECTS



# FINANCES - 2021

## Income

**12 615 062,42 UAH**

- Income in foreign currency 9 645 312,00 UAH
- Income in local currency 2 758 212,15 UAH
- Income in form of donation 110 000,28 UAH
- Other passive income 1538,00 UAH

## Expenses

**11 740 537,64 UAH**

- 1. CHARITY PROGRAMS 9 883 724,94 UAH
  - Charity expenses 1 025 741,00 UAH
  - Project implementation expenses 2 026 021,82 UAH
  - Supporting families in difficult life situations 1 515 407,25 UAH
  - Working with youth and alumni 544 055,25 UAH
  - Education, development of social skills 3 964 531,00 UAH
- 2. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES 1 856 812,70 UAH

# «MOTHER AND CHILD TOGETHER» CENTER

In its activities, Otchiy Dim/Father's House pays a lot of attention to the protection of motherhood and childhood. Thus, in 2015, the “Mother and Child Together” Center was established to prevent social orphanhood, including the prevention of early abandonment of infants.

This project is designed to organize temporary residence for mothers with children in difficult life circumstances, including mothers who intend or are at risk of abandoning newborns, as well as pregnant women. During six years of work, 147 women and 272 of their children received social assistance.

**Following the results of 2021 it was made possible to help families: 20 mothers and 42 children.**

- **The center hosted 8 mothers and 14 children**
- **Long-distance support was provided to 7 mothers and 27 children**
- **Consultations, assistance and placement in partner centers was provided to 5 mothers and 6 children**

**Six mothers with 16 children have successfully graduated from the project and can now take responsibility for themselves and the lives of their children.**

**1 515 407,25 UAH**



# OKSANA'S STORY

Twenty-five-year-old Oksana was admitted to the center in the summer of 2021, on the fifth day after the birth of her third child.

The woman's story is shocking, because what happened to the young girl is hard to comprehend.

At the age of 17, she decided to run away from home because of another quarrel with her mother, during which domestic abuse took place. While trying to escape and get to the neighbors, Oksana fell out of the window and suffered a spinal injury. Her condition required complex surgery. Titanium plates were installed to fix the spine.

While the postoperative rehabilitation was taking place, the Revolution of Dignity began on the Independence Square in Kyiv. Despite her poor health, Oksana joined the all-Ukrainian protest. This created new misunderstandings between her and her mother, who took care of the girl while she was in the hospital. So, Oksana ran away again, looking for someone to comfort her.

That's how she met her Rostislav, who already had a criminal record at the time. He used alcohol and drugs, and quickly involved Oksana in that world.



When the girl became pregnant, she came to her senses and stopped poisoning the child. When the baby was 8 months old, the "beloved" left Oksana. Looking for a safe place for herself and her child, Oksana returned to her mother. After a short time, Rostislav reappeared in the woman's life, and she secretly began dating him again. She soon learned that she was pregnant for the second time. But her chosen one was put behind bars at that time, and Oksana found herself confused again.

After the birth of her second child, Oksana turned to alcohol and drug abuse and became pregnant for the third time from someone unknown.

Rostislav learned about Oksana's problems while being behind the bars, and offered his help. By that time he had already completed a rehabilitation course and reconsidered his life. These changes in the worldview prompted him to give up drugs and alcohol. After his release, he planned to return to Oksana and start a family life together with her and the children. Given the new circumstances, he found a rehabilitation center for Oksana, where the woman spent five months of her pregnancy. After that, Oksana and her children came to the "Mother and Child Center".

The man was very afraid that after the birth of his third child, Oksana would return to her past bad habits, so he brought her to Otchiy Dim/Father's House immediately after she gave birth.

Oksana was placed in a separate room. She is undergoing a rehabilitation program daily: she works with psychologists and spiritual mentors and gradually begins moving towards a new life. She plans to resume her studies, which she dropped out of many years ago.

Most importantly, she and Rostislav intend to officially marry and live as a real family after completing their rehabilitation. Forgetting about all the obstacles in their lives, Rostislav accepted and loves all three children and Oksana herself.

# PROMOTING THE ORGANIZATION OF FAMILY-ORIENTED ACCOMMODATION AND REHABILITATION OF CHILDREN

There are many different institutions in Ukraine where children whose parents have been deprived of their rights live in: state orphanages, boarding schools, various medical centers and even shelters. Children live in groups of 25-30 people, and usually a group this big is appointed to two caregivers per day.

Most of the children who live in such conditions do not know what a family is, they do not have basic life and communication skills. They are lacking attention, emotional affection and love from adults.

The orphanage is not a healthy environment for a child and cannot provide him or her with a healthy and full development.

Every three days in Ukraine, 250 children are sent to public institutions due to poverty.

Otchiy Dim/Father's House program aims to support children deprived of parental care.

By living in given conditions, children have the opportunity to live and grow in an environment that resembles a family. In addition, after experiencing a model of a healthy family, they have a real chance at recreating it in their own families in the future.



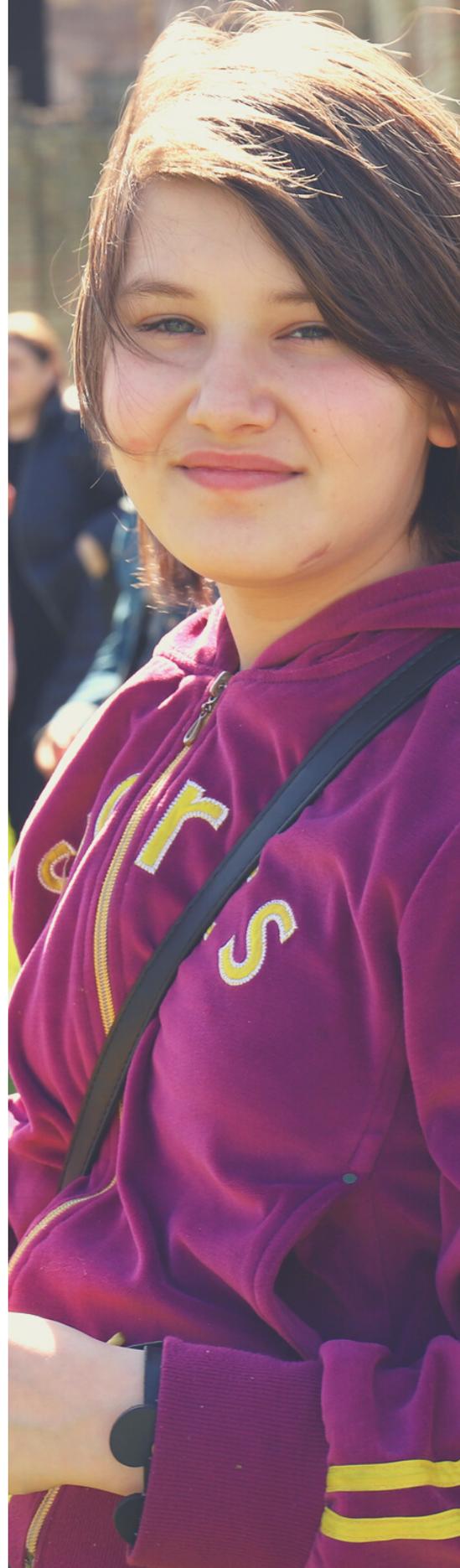
**544 055,25 UAH**

# IN 2021 THE CHILDREN'S REHABILITATION CENTER HAS PROVIDED HELP TO 71 CHILDREN

## 38 CHILDREN WERE ADDED

## 25 CHILDREN HAVE GRADUATED:

- 8 - reintegrated into biological families
- 6 - foster families and similar upbringing forms
- 1 - adopted
- 5 - under guardianship
- 2 - reinstated to a different facility
- 3 - reached the age of 18



# THE MAIN PURPOSE OF OUR CENTER IS PREPARING ORPHANS FOR LIFE IN FAMILIES (RETURN TO REHABILITATED BIOLOGICAL FAMILIES, ADOPTION OR INDEPENDENT LIVING)

## Working with our children consists of the following stages:

- Provision for a short term family environment for children who are at risk of losing or have already lost parental care
- Preparing children for future family placement (including reintegration) or for independent living in society.
- Support of long-term family care options for children who have lost parental care
- Development of a post-visit care model (in partnership with governmental and non-governmental institutions to reduce child abandonment in Kyiv Region).

The work of Otchiy Dim/Father's House is aimed at expanding services to meet the needs of children and ensure their development in caring families. Our center focuses on solving the problems of children in Kyiv region, but we are also open to children from other regions of Ukraine.



# MARGARITA'S STORY

From birth, her mother did not care for Margo and abused alcohol, so the girl always lived with her grandmother, who became her dearest person in the world. But the old woman's health deteriorated sharply, and she could no longer take full care of her granddaughter.

Therefore, a day came along when they asked for help. That is how Margo started living in Otchiy Dim/Father's House. Grandma loved the child very much, so she continued to support her even when the girl was with us: she called consistently, sent gifts by mail.

For a long time, Margo refused to be taken in by another family: she was waiting for a miracle in her mother's and grandmother's lives. Which, unfortunately, did not happen. After two years at Otchiy Dim/Father's House, the girl went through many changes and felt the need for a family.

Potential parents came to meet Margo with much excitement, because for them it was the most anticipated moment they had dreamed about and prayed for. The father later said that the meeting was "love at first sight".

Today Margarita has a new family, she has an older brother, a dog and a cat. The girl attends school and makes new friends. Happiness is in the little things.



# ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO CHILDREN'S CENTERS IN UKRAINE

## THE «VOICE OF HOPE» MISSION

(LUTSK)

27 450 UAH

## RO «THE GOOD SAMARITAN MISSION»

(RIVNE)

462 470 UAH

## INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER

(KYIV)

153 338 UAH

## AGAPE UKRAINE

(VOLYN REGION)

13 000 UAH

## «SVITLOVPLYV»

(KYIV)

55 000 UAH

# SUMMER - 2021

## «TREASURE ISLAND»

In the summer, on the territory of the picturesque recreational center "Koncha-Zaspa" in Kyiv region, we managed to organize four shifts of the "Island of Treasures" camp. During each of the camps, we were able to host 50 children of different categories who came from different parts of Ukraine.

At the beginning of the summer we held three forest "Islands" using the "Safe Survival Games" topic.

The children, together with their mentors, recreated and went through various extreme situations, starting with the plane crash in the middle of the forest and ending with the flood.

Each time the children acquired the skills to help each other and did their best to put this knowledge into practice.

- **«Island in the forest» - 3 shifts with 50 children each**
- **«IT Island» - 50 children**
- **«Island at the sea» - 53 children**
- **«Island in Rivne» - 26 children**

**814 607,55 UAH**



# VADIM'S STORY

A group of teenagers from the WAKO sports club, coached by Mykola Kosyuk, an alumnus of Otchiy Dim/Father's House, was invited to one of the Treasure Island summer camps.

As a true motivator and zealous for Christ, he wanted to share the Word of God with children from non-Christian families through our camp.

During the first days, these children stood out among those who came to the camp to hear the Living Word, and during worship or general prayer meetings, they ran to do sports instead, while making fun of others.

But Christ reached their hearts: three days in, the children from the sports team began to choose between sports and worship.

A boy named Vadim, who turned 12 in the camp, sincerely confessed in tears that he had never felt the love he received during one of the children's gatherings where leaders prayed for each of them.

He, along with nine other children from the sports team, accepted Christ into his heart and asked the leaders, "How can I continue to communicate with Him after camp?"



In August, we managed to hold another summer camp shift, the topic of which was information technology (IT).

For ten days, our second location in Koncha Zaspa hosted an orphanage, where orphans, children from eastern Ukraine and children from families in difficult life circumstances were given the opportunity to learn about IT so that they could potentially gain a modern profession and find themselves in the whirlpool of our fast-paced world.

In such camps, mentors select potential students for their academy and give them a chance at a free education.

Famous people visited children for 10 days, as guests and as speakers, and the children themselves zealously prepared for the events, sacrificing sleep and rest, to submit their projects and receive a chance for a real investment.

Three teams developed four projects: chatbots for restaurants and cafes, an online electronics store, an educational platform for children and teens to learn IT, and Y1317, a project to train teens in financial literacy, healthy lifestyle and other life skills.

**Our camps change children's lives!**



# RAFTING

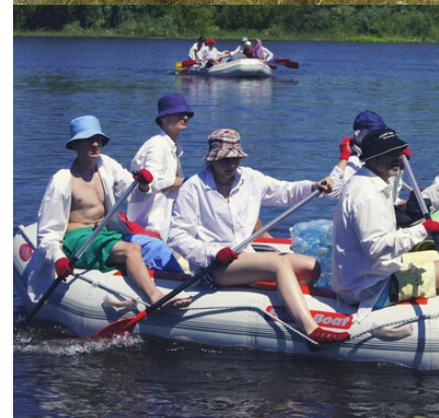
In July 2021, as part of the Otchiy Dim/Father's House's Adventure Pedagogy program, a five-day extreme rafting trip took place along the Desna River.

Led by Oleksandr Smiyan, our brave children together with dad-Roma covered 70 kilometers of the river on rafting boats.

This adventure was built and brought up true endurance in children, teaching them to keep moving towards their goals uncompromisingly.

Mutual assistance skills, endurance, extreme circumstances, as well as a relaxed and fun atmosphere, helped unite the team spirit, which prevailed among the children during the trip.

The children slept in tents by the river for five nights and ate what they had cooked on the campfire, while making a halt on land. It united the team and showed how important it is to have mutual support and what it means to be responsible for each other.



# MOUNT HOVERLA

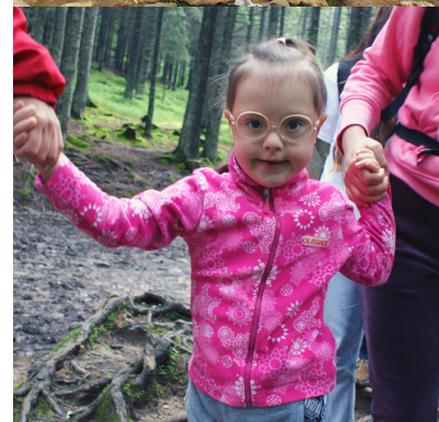
On July 22, 2021, the Zaroslyak Sports Base in the Carpathians organized a hike of the largest group of children with disabilities who have ever conquered Mount Hoverla.

32 children with cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, autism spectrum disorders, visual and hearing impairments, orphan diseases and those recovering from stroke, climbed up the Hoverla to prove to themselves and the world that, despite the limitations caused by the disease, they are able to conquer mountain peaks.

The organizer of this event invited children from Otchiy Dim/Father's House to become mentors for children with disabilities during the campaign. The group was accompanied by parents, as well as rehabilitation specialists, doctors and athletes.

Thanks to the participation in the "Special Campaign", the children of Otchiy Dim/Father's House gained personal life experience, fulfilling an incredible mission and, perhaps, for the first time, assessed the limits of their own capabilities.

Cooperation in such a project gave the opportunity to apply pedagogical methods in raising children and encouraged them to treat their health as a gift from God.



# UKRAINIAN ASSOCIATION OF ADOPTORS "NEW FAMILY"

The New Family provides daily adoption consulting to Ukrainian and foreign citizens, as well as accompanies families in the process.

The Family Recovery Center project, which has been operating at the Koncha-Zaspa recreational center, has provided support to 15 families from the Big Heart Club, who are on the verge of a burnout. It was possible to preserve marriages, strengthen relations between family members and prevent the re-orphaning of children who were placed in such families for upbringing. Three families needed long-term help from psychologists and other narrow specialists, and all the necessary specialists were involved.

During the year, more than 150 consultations were provided for families from Ukraine, the USA, Germany, Turkey, and Poland. Project staff helped several families with adoption. They are now assisting three other families who are in the process of adopting children.

There were also two Big Heart Club meetings and five training seminars during the quarantine. Four meetings, a one-day camp and a prayer breakfast were organized particularly for the mothers, who are club members.

Opportunities were found to provide material assistance to families in the form of food, clothing, appliances, Christmas presents and solid fuel for the winter.



**435 752,00 UAH**

# «THE BIG HEART CLUB» BRINGS TOGETHER

## 45 FAMILIES

## 254 CHILDREN

- Families that have adopted - 18 families
- Guardians - 11 families
- Children centers of family type - 14 families
- Foster families - 2 families



# HEALTHY UKRAINE

Otchiy Dim/Father's House presented the “Healthy Ukraine” project on the territory of our second location in Koncha Zaspa, where for the second year in a row, we have been able to implement our programs at the invitation of the President of Ukraine.

This program was initiated by the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelensky, at the end of 2020 and was offered to us as his pilot project.

The Healthy Ukraine program contains practical recommendations for improving health, preventing diseases and overcoming their consequences. We created a video that was distributed in all regions, and helped implement this program throughout Ukraine.

Today, this exciting and promising program is available to residents of all cities, towns and districts of Ukraine.



**82 900,00 UAH**

# ADOPTION DAY

In order to honor our adoptive parents and pay special respect to them, together with the Service for Children and Families of the Kyiv Regional State Administration, we decided to bring all adoptive parents together and draw public attention to such families. We were the only ones to conduct such an event during the quarantine restrictions.

On October 16, 2021, at our second location in Koncha Zaspa, we gathered 13 foster families with children.

Fun activities, outdoor games and refreshments had become a special highlight of the sunny weekend.

We support adoptive parents in every way, help them and support them after adoption, because the most important gift for us is when children are adopted into a FAMILY!



**33 291,70 UAH**

# A DAY OF PRAYER FOR ORPHANS

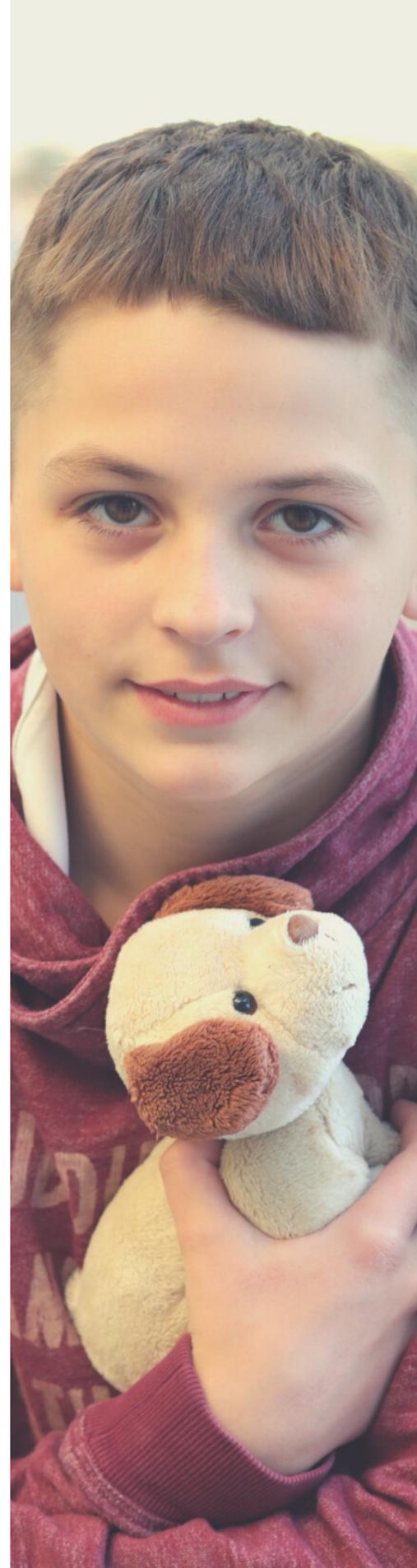
Before the Day of Prayer for Orphans, Ivan wrote a moving speech, which he asked us to record on video and show to everyone.

My name is Vanya. I'm very nervous ... All of you ... adults, directors. You decide the fate of children like me. You often sign documents in which the word "orphan" is mentioned.

I am an orphan...

You may not think that behind the word "orphan" is the same child as yours.

To most people, we are invisible. We are unnoticed or you decided not to notice us. It is so much easier for people to live and not think about how WE feel and what will happen to US. But WE are here! And we are the same as the children in your families. We have the same arms, legs, hearts that want to love and be loved. But there is one and very significant difference between us and your children: Your children are lucky with their parents, and we are not ... that is our only fault and the reason why we are not in cozy rooms in your homes, but on a sheet of paper on the table in your office ...



**79 180,50 UAH**

On behalf of all orphans, I would like to ask you to look at me, please, and remember that we are not soulless beings waiting for your decision to be made. Our future will depend on which document you sign today.

Think about what you, as a Father, would do for your child? You don't have to answer, I know - EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER AND BEYOND!!! Are we worse than your children?

I heard that the Bible says, God Himself is the Father of orphans! Therefore, I think if I have SUCH A FATHER, HE will ask you for each of us: "What did you do for them?" ...

Therefore, every time an orphan document is placed on your desk, remember me and that for my fate and the fate of those like me, you are accountable to God Himself, whether you believe in Him or not...

That's all I wanted to tell you today"

Ivan's video appeal can be viewed at this  
QR code



# AMBASSADORS OF FATHER'S HOUSE

In 2021, Ambassadors of the Father's House were excited for new opportunities to meet each other, as graduates of Otchiy Dim/Father's House in the United States. It is the greatest reward to see both, adoptive families and children, who are happy and inspired to serve others like them. Representatives of Ambassadors of the Father's House also met with close friends, partners and sponsors of the ministry to strengthen relations and further cooperation in building God's Kingdom!

The team of Ambassadors of the Father's House was one of the first to join the fundraiser for the unscheduled renovation of the main building of Otchiy Dim/Father's House in Ukraine. Many caring friends of the ministry joined the fundraising on GoFundMe, which raised more than \$ 8,000. Thank God and thank everyone who helped save the house and the fate of Otchiy Dim/Father's House.

This year, Ambassadors of Father's House, in the presence of Anastasia Sudarsana and Lilia Rettger, attended Christian Alliance for Orphans conference. The girls shared their experiences with the conference participants and were inspired by the stories of others. This event brought forth many new acquaintances, fruitful cooperation and inspiration!



**68 800 USD**

# YOUTH CENTER «A STEP TOWARDS INDEPENDENCE»

Through the youth program, young people who have left Otchiy Dim/Father's House, but need further support, receive various types of assistance.

The program provides the following:

- tuition fees;
- transportation services;
- food kits;
- social and legal support;
- meetings with church leaders, spiritual mentorship, prayers;
- assistant with employment;
- assistance with further education;
- provision of clothing, footwear, household chemicals.

The project created a youth club for teenagers, who are 14 to 18 years old, where they are being prepared for independent living and taught to feel confident on their feet.

We also visit our youth in prisons, and serve those who have any kind of addiction.



**56 411,80 UAH**

# DIMA'S STORY

Dima was born into a troubled family: he had no father, and his mother abused alcohol. He and his younger brother were cared for by a grandmother, who took care of the children and replaced both parents for the boys.

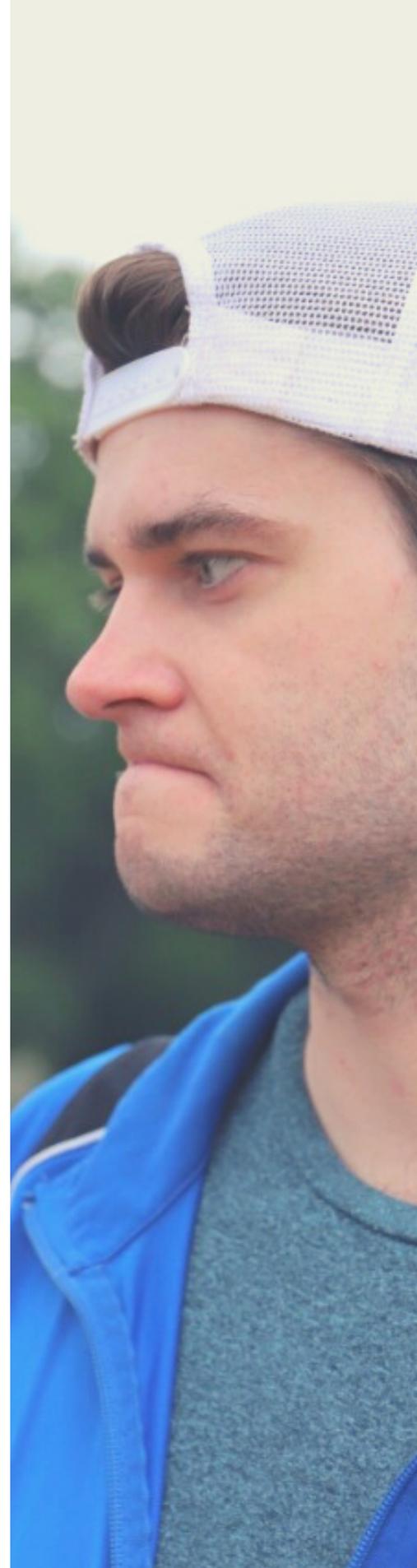
Later, when the grandmother was no longer healthy enough to continue caring for the boys, she was offered to place Dima and Denis in our rehabilitation center. But the younger boy was so exhausted and ill that he was separated from his brother for several months and hospitalized.

So Dima found himself at Otchiy Dim/Father's House, where his younger brother later joined him.

Both boys were very cheerful and active, took part in theatrical performances, and one time, during a theater tour, they were noticed by the Grigorov family from the United States, who expressed a desire to adopt the brothers.

Dima did not have much desire to go to America, but for the sake of his older brother's future, he agreed.

Dima developed a very strained relationship with his new family.



The boy finished high school and, as soon as he turned 18, left his parents and went to live with friends. Free life did not benefit him - he began to abuse drugs and alcohol. Dima did not have a permanent job, he wandered from state to state. During one such emotional breakdown, he decided to return to Ukraine to find his lost childhood and happiness.

He arrived to Kyiv in December, completely underdressed: shorts, a T-shirt and sandals. And the first place he called was Otchiy Dim/Father's House. Of course, we responded to the call immediately and brought Dima to the center.

He needed psychological, medical and spiritual support, and our specialists were set to work.

Coming to his senses, the boy decided to find his biological mother, who was still alive and living in the city. He quickly got in touch with her and decided to support her and move in together. But his mother still had bad habits, as in his childhood. Dima began to follow her example.

Soon after, his birth mother passed away, and the boy was left alone again. And once again, he turned for help to Otchiy Dim/Father's House, but this time, realizing that the main changes must take place inside of him.

So he and our team began to work on renewing his documents, gaining new skills and being less tempted by bad habits. Dima got a job at a rehabilitation center, helping to organize summer camps.

A miracle happened during this time of healing. While Dima's adoptive parents were visiting Ukraine, they met with Dima at a summer camp and their relationship began to take on a new chapter.

Now the young man is collecting a package of documents and preparing to return to America. He establishes a relationship with his mom and dad, who adopted him and his brother into their family, sharing their lives with the boys

# LYCEUM SCHOOL AT FATHER'S HOUSE

The concept of correctional education of children in rehabilitation centers provides for the creation of such conditions, under which they could successfully realize their universal human rights and become useful citizens of their country, whose social status and education will meet the needs of the modern society. The growth, development and democratization of the latter show that the issues of education, upbringing and rehabilitation of pedagogically neglected children are becoming increasingly important.

The important conditions for success for us have always been, and remain. gradual actions, thorough theoretical training of teachers, and a balanced approach to the choice of teaching methods.

In this process we always take into account the didactic task to be solved, find the inner essence of the method, the forms of interconnected activities of teachers and students as a means of managing their cognitive activity.

The main element of all methods used is THE WORD - an oral story by a teacher. These include explanations, instruction, story, lecture, conversation, individual work with the textbook.

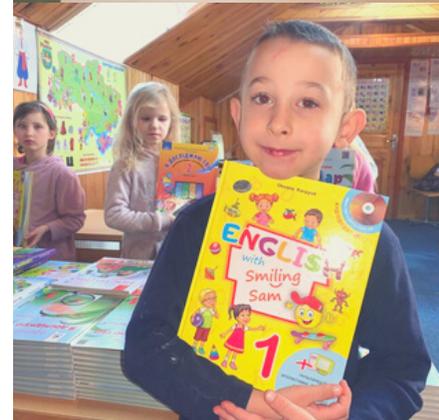


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At the beginning of the year, 64 students from 1st through 11th grades studied at the lyceum. After diagnosing the level of student achievement, it showed the following:

- **among children in elementary, 65% are afraid to talk to the teacher in the presence of other children in the class;**
- **up to 30% of first-graders not only do not know how to hold a pencil or pen, but also do not know that one can draw with pencils;**
- **15% of left-handed children are complex because they cannot adjust to a desk neighbor;**
- **one of the students often hears the letters in his own way, so in writing he uses them the other way around;**
- **85% of children in grades 1-11 have problems with memory, so it is difficult for them to memorize the multiplication table, learn poems and retell them;**
- **the level of knowledge during the evaluation at the beginning of the school year ranged from 1 to 5-6 points on a 12-point grading system.**

Teachers work with children not only during lessons, but also after classes, because during the school year some children leave, and others, on the contrary, join the school.



New students have a very low level of knowledge and need to be addressed individually, not only during the lesson, but also after, to bring the child to the same level of knowledge acquisition as other children in the class.

For example, Ruslan Romanenko joined the school in the eighth grade and forgot all the letters and numbers after the accident. No matter what class he was in, all teachers gave him assignments in capital letters. Even in computer science class, the teacher would have the boy rewrite texts to better memorise the letters. After some time, the boy began to return to writing skills. A month later, he began reading short texts.

Tenth-grader, Yaroslav Melnychenko, who came to us in the middle of the school year, did not know that certain rules of behavior exist in a school, nor did he realise that notebooks are used not during class, but also for homework. The boy went to school for only two weeks in the eighth and ninth grades. Most of the work in the beginning was focused on organizational aspects, and soon after, teachers began to teach Yaroslav the rules of writing, reading, retelling. Today, he is able to read short texts at fifth grade level, and can also retell from a text with the help of a teacher.

Thus, most children increase their performance over time, getting from 4 points to 7-8, and some even reach 10 points.

Thanks to this work of teachers, all graduates (five students) in 2021 entered educational institutions of different levels of accreditation. To date, our university students passed their quarterly exams with high scores (from 73 to 85).

The purpose of pedagogical rehabilitation is not only to eliminate gaps in knowledge, but also to develop in children the qualities that help in the most optimal way to adapt to the environment.

# A PROGRAM OF SPIRITUAL UPBRINGING «BOOMERANG»

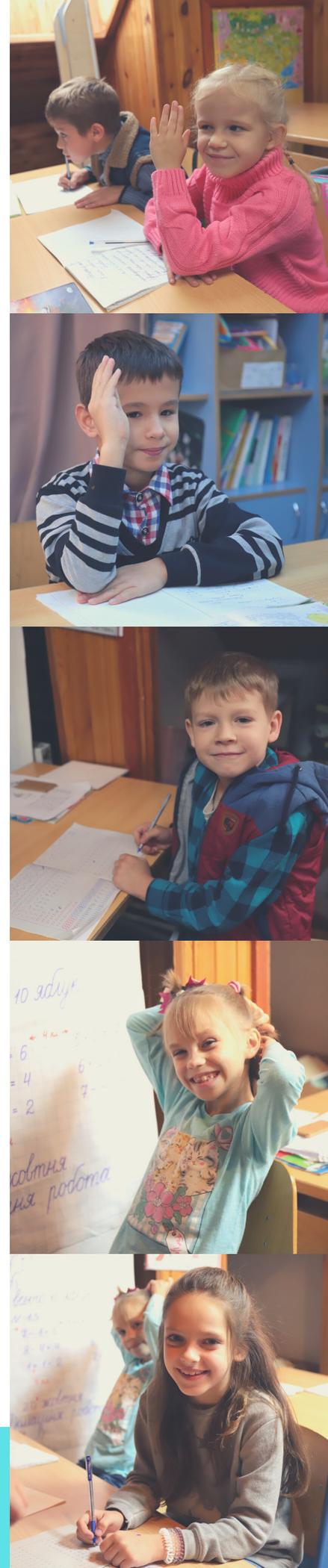
Main objections:

- Working with teams;
- Working with teachers and parents-caregivers;
- Working with children;
- Working with pedagogical staff of the school providing mentorship;
- Working with all employees of Otchiy Dim/Father's House providing additional training and motivation.

The topics for morning meetings, "Thought of the Day", are planned by the team in advance for a year / month / week based on the needs of children (adults) who live, study and work in the programs of Otchiy Dim/ Father's House.

Every working day at Otchiy Dim/Father's House begins with short meetings, part of which is a short Bible lesson or a short life story, parable, word, video, etc., which states the topic of the day.

During the day, teachers, educators and other adults can discuss the topic with each other and with children.



- In 2021, more than 200 topics were discussed in a "Thoughts of the Day" format with more than 70 children and adults.
- From October 1 to December 5, 34 videos of "Thoughts of the Day" were made featuring a topic: "Time Travel with the Heroes of the Bible", which provided an opportunity to more than 300 people to watch online through Heavenly Father's House church, in the conditions of severe quarantine.
- Seminars for teachers and parents-caregivers on professional and spiritual topics were held.
- 8 guide books for teachers on 'how to work with children' were developed and discussed in working groups and individually.
- Conducted outside of Otchiy Dim/Father's House:
  - training under the program of the Texas Christian University - TBRI (Trust-based relationship Intervention): 1 phase (self-study) - 10 weeks, 10 modules; Phase 2 (online training) - 5 days;
  - training in Kyiv Mohylianska Academy and International Leadership and Development Center - 150 hours: "Fundamentals of social work with families and children";
  - participation in a five-day seminar "How to be the light and salt where we are" conducted by "Ukraine for Christ" Mission.
- The work on writing the second edition of the booklet "The Most Important Question" has been completed.
- Individual therapy sessions with children and adults were held (if necessary).
- Continuous assistance and consulting of children was provided.

# VISITING CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

The main purpose of our spiritual education is to teach our children to serve others.

On New Year's Eve, our children decided to visit, talk and share good emotions with children who have disabilities living in Zhytomyr region.

60 children of different ages and with different health problems have been united in a club, where they are helped to socialize five days a week. And so, on one of these days, our young volunteers joined this process.

From early morning until evening, the children from Otchiy Dim/Father's House shared smiles, helped and hugged those who needed it.

They did not even want to go back to Otchiy Dim/Father's House, and asked to stay and serve more.

Our heart rejoices because the seeds we sow in our children bear good fruit in the form of kindness and warmth that they give away.



# THEATER THERAPY

There has been a theater therapy project in Otchiy Dim/Father's House for twenty years, and this year it was divided into three different categories.

For more experienced children, who have previously tasted the theatrical world and have discovered themselves in art, had a chance to be involved in true theatrical miracles.

For those children who are a little younger, a puppet theater was organized, where they hid their faces behind the dolls, expressing their lives and their emotions.

For very young children, we had arranged art therapy through various movements and laughter, which helped reveal emotions. This is a separate type of therapy that is widely used in the world.

Theater therapy is an integral part of Otchiy Dim/Father's House. As many years as we exist, is how long this kind of rehabilitation has been alongside with us, in which one hundred children have participated.



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# “A TREASURY OF GOOD DEEDS” THRIFT STORE

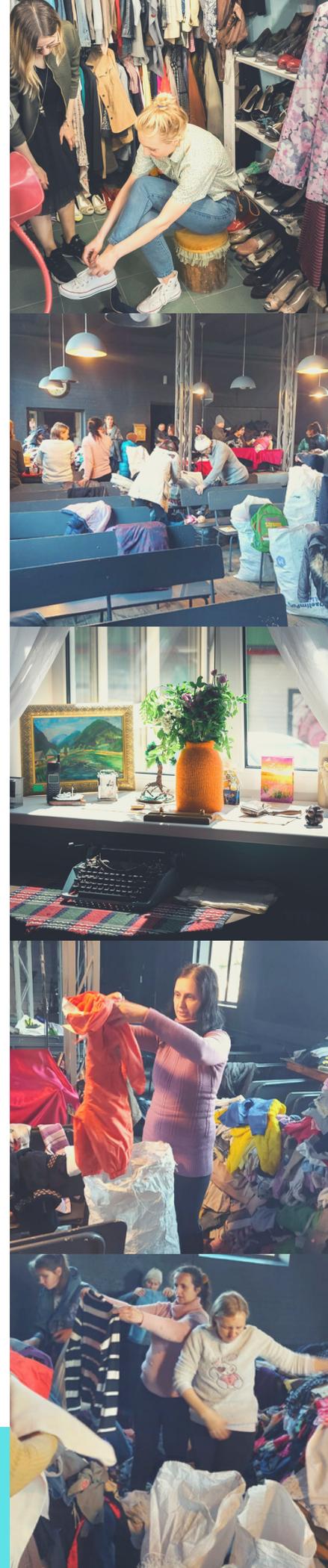
The project is designed to raise a wave of good deeds in society. It was founded by alumni of Otchiy Dim/Father's House.

You don't have to own a lot to do a good deed. It is enough to look at our personal belongings, which we have not used for a long time. Many items can be in good shape and condition, and it is sad to throw them away, but in fact, some items no longer serve a purpose and only take up space. It is hard to believe, but at the same time, these items can save someone's life.

The "Treasury" is a place where one can bring or buy, for a symbolic price, any thing, thus converting the material into good deeds, such as helping orphans, treatment of children with cancer and more. Our gifts and talents can also be good deeds, in our spare time, to help disadvantaged, large families or families in crisis.

In 2021, the “Treasury” project provided a powerful wave of revenues during the fundraiser to support the families in difficult life circumstances, who suffered as a result of quarantine, and lost their jobs. In total, more than UAH 70,000 worth of goods was donated to the project as part of this initiative.

"Give good, Ukraine" and to the rehabilitation center "Choice".



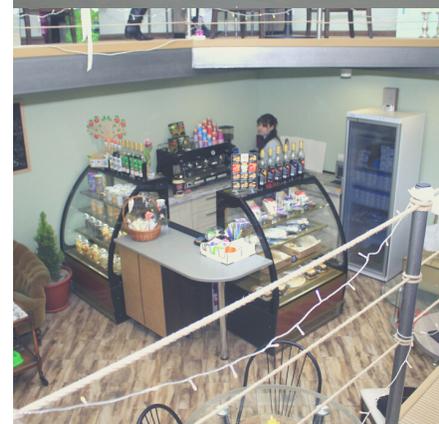
# "COFFEE\_LOVE" CAFE

As part of the educational initiative "Successful Youth Movement", which was created for the comprehensive development of the younger generation, two years ago our children developed a project "Coffee\_LOVE" art cafe, which combines art space, cafeteria and charity "Treasury of Good Deeds" thrift store.

The entrance to the charity thrift store is through the cafe. This is a place where children from Otchiy Dim/Father's House can learn to cook and bake for guests who visit the cafe and the "Treasury". This is a good platform for many, because one of our goals is to encourage children to communicate and learn, in order for them to develop practical life skills.

The project creates first-job opportunities and gaining experience for young participants in Otchiy Dim/Father's House programs.

During the year, nine teenagers passed through the cafe's training center, three of whom graduated from Otchiy Dim/Father's House and are already studying in higher educational institutions and working in other cafes in Kyiv.



**706 546,00 UAH**

# GREENHOUSE

2021 was a blessed year for our greenhouses. The new project manager, who joined us last year, breathed new life into the greenhouse, cultivated and fertilized the soil, repaired watering, and developed the area outside the greenhouses in the open air.

This year, all residents and staff of Otchiy Dim/Father's House were involved in working with plants. Most of the children participated and worked throughout the season at all stages of cultivation: from soil preparation to sowing seeds, land care, soil digging, harvesting and selling the vegetables, cleaning the greenhouse post-harvest.

Importantly, the children learned the names of the gardening instruments and their purpose. Some children not only did not know the names of the tools, but also had no idea what they looked like and what they were for. In addition, working with soil is a team effort when you have to help each other.

For the first time in its existence, the greenhouse, in addition to providing labor therapy and the provision of vegetables for Otchiy Dim/Father's House, gave a small financial income, which was saved for the further development of agriculture in 2022.



**132 489,00 UAH**

# HUMANITARIAN AID

During the period of 2021, Otchiy Dim/Father's House helped not only the participants of projects under our care, but also those in need from our community, including internally displaced persons.

**During 2021, we managed to find an opportunity to help 368 people and 8 organizations in Kyiv region and in Ukraine.**

Among the beneficiaries were families of the following categories:

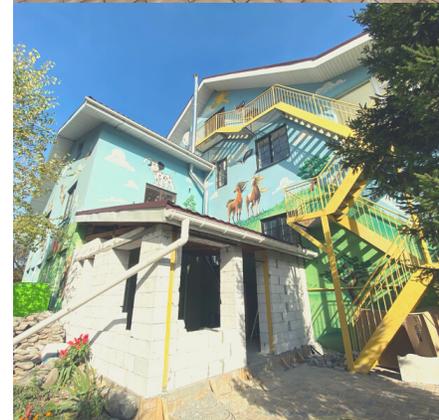
- Children's Centers of Family Type
- Guardians
- Foster families
- Adoptive parents
- IDPs
- Large families
- Low-income families
- Families of military soldiers
- People with disabilities
- Children from among orphans



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# DEVELOPMENT OF MATERIAL AND TECHNICAL BASE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS

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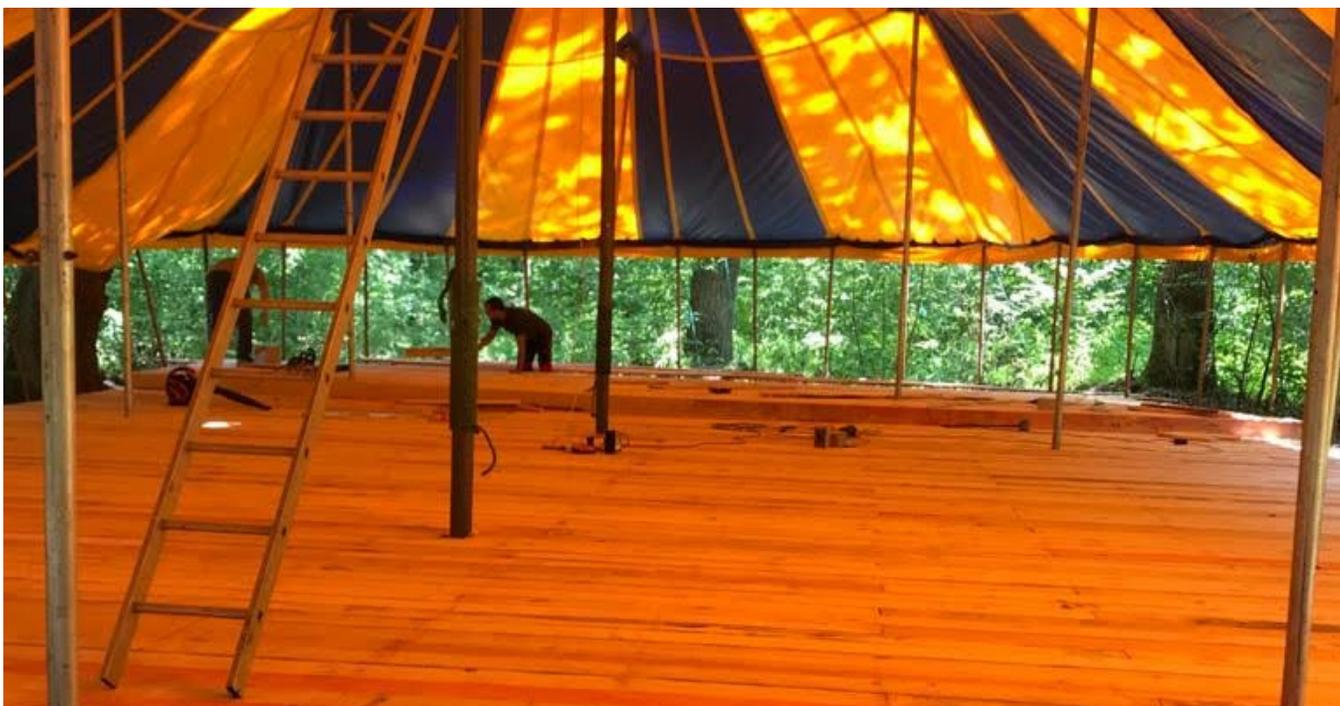


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# CONSTRUCTION OF A BARRACK FOR STORING FIREWOOD AT THE PALACE OF DREAMS



# SETTING UP A SUMMER CAMP



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# CAPITAL RENOVATION OF THE MINISTRY'S “VETERAN”



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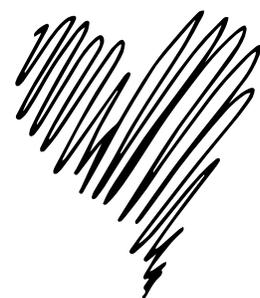
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