

“Understanding – The First Step Towards Happiness”

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

In addition to growing up in a secure and well-managed environment where he or she feels loved, each child is entitled to education. Children from SOS Children's Villages regularly attend primary schools in Lekenik and Ladimirevci. Secondary school-age children attend secondary schools in Osijek, Velika Gorica and Zagreb, during which time they live in SOS Youth Facilities. They nevertheless remain members of their SOS families, visiting them on weekends and holidays.

Children in our care often come from difficult situations and are neglected and deprived education-wise and in all other areas. Our expert co-workers in the Villages put in a great deal of effort to make the adjustment period as brief and as pain-free as possible. In addition to our own social workers, psychologists and pedagogues we also must seek assistance from outside sources when it comes to additional psychological help, speech therapy and special education.

We want to make sure the children in our care reach the developmental level of their peers as soon as possible, because we want them to make the best of schools they attend. Getting a good education and earning appropriate professional qualifications are the best way of attaining self-reliance and we use every opportunity to impart this belief to our children.

TARGET GROUP

One hundred fifty-two children from SOS Children's Villages Ladimirevci and Lekenik in need of additional help from special education teachers and speech therapists, as well as additional psychological help.

Financial guidelines of the project (one professional per area in every Village):

HRK 180.000 annually (HRK 15.000 monthly) for speech therapists

HRK 150.000 annually (HRK 12.500 monthly) for special education teachers

HRK 120.000 annually (HRK 10.000 monthly) for psychologists.

BENEFITS

FOR THE TARGET GROUP

In addition to providing them with a peaceful and happy environment, we also want to make sure our children receive the kind of education that will help them lead self-reliant lives in the future. Children who come to our SOS families through the social welfare system did not have the opportunity to develop in accordance with their age in their own families of origin. Depending on the child's age and prior living situation, the adjustment period can take well over a year. Furthermore, the child might need expert services during his or her entire stay in the Village. SOS mother's love and warmth of the SOS home are essential, but so is the support of our expert co-workers in helping our children reach their full potential and adapt not only to their new SOS family, but also to their new school and community.

FOR THE CORPORATE PARTNER

SOS Children's Village Croatia guarantees promotion of partnership through its print and other outlets – SOS journals and newsletters, website, Facebook and Twitter.

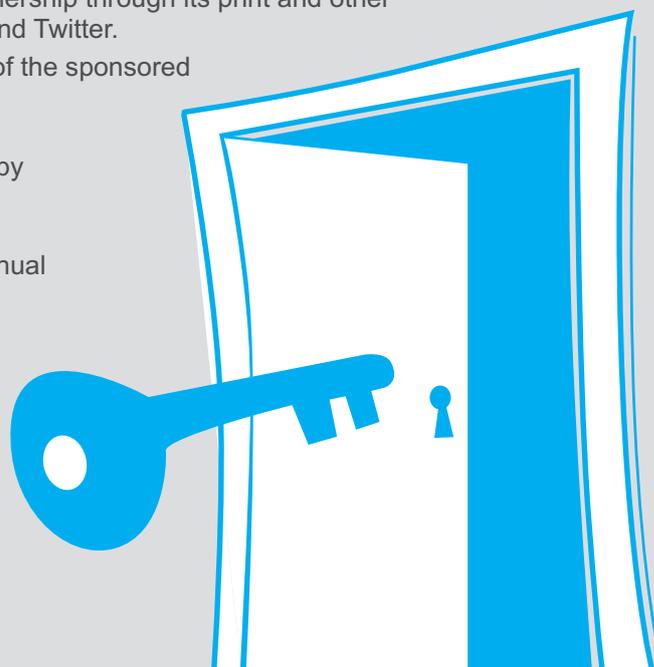
The company has the opportunity to follow the development of the sponsored children, help them build positive relations with its employees and involve them in its own events.

The corporate partner may take part in the events organized by SOS Children's Village Croatia.

Income Tax Act and Profit Tax Act allow corporate partners tax-deductible donations in the amount of 2% of their total annual income, as stipulated in the Donation Agreement we sign at the beginning of the partnership.

FINANCIAL GUIDELINES WERE CALCULATED ON THE BASIS OF AVERAGE COST OF SERVICES IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR, THE ASSESSED NEEDS FOR THESE SERVICES IN THE COMING YEAR AND THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN NEED OF SUCH SERVICES.

DURING THE COURSE OF THE PARTNERSHIP, THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN NEED OF SERVICES MAY CHANGE, AFFECTING THE COSTS RELATED TO THE SERVICES OF SPEECH THERAPISTS, PSYCHOLOGISTS AND SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHERS.



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