

Brief presentation of the organizations and supported projects by the Carpathian Foundation's "Early Years Matter" program (2022)

1. RECD_2022_01 Real Pearl Foundation – In movement!

Introduction of the organization: The foundation began its work as an art school in 1999, with a focus on nurturing talent, especially among Roma, disadvantaged children. Recognizing that it is not only necessary to help children in the classroom, but also to reach out to them and their parents in order to achieve change, their range of activities has expanded. Today, in addition to education, they also do fieldwork that creates opportunities. Their complex program rests on three pillars: education, family care, and community development, and an element that generates and mediates collaboration between institutions. Education includes the art school, „Toldi Tanoda”, their scholarship program, school supplies grants, the „Baba-mama” club, and adult education. The second pillar includes crisis management (eg. food donation, pediatric drug program), job creation, community development programs and self-sufficiency development (eg. biobriquette program, Szuno project). In addition, the Social Roundtable is considered important, where problems and cases are discussed with the involvement of the Roma community. The main site of this model development is in Told, a dead-end village of about 300 people, but its various elements are already used in 16 settlements. The head of the foundation is Nóra L. Ritók. Their staff includes teachers, social workers, psychologists, and accountants.

Aim of the project: The project will take place in Told, where a total of 22 local children aged 3-8 are taught twice a week, individually or in small groups. The aim of the sessions is to develop the basic skills of the children and to develop their learning motivation, the development of the children in the areas of mathematics-logic and native language competence. These are carried out with a focus on movement development in order to reach the institutional system with the least possible disadvantage. There is a bigger focus on supporting the paternal competences, so they will be able to have a positive impact on learning environment at home.

Target group of the project: The project directly affects the 22 preschool or first grade elementary school children who participate in the sessions. Furthermore, it has an impact on the parents and family members of the participating children, as they take their new knowledge home from the sessions and with this, the program develops the competences of the parents.

Activities in the project: 6 different activities are implemented in order to reach the goal of the project:

1. Preschool clubs, twice a week, where expert development educators hold competency development sessions for 5-5 preschool children. A total of 80 events are organized.
2. „Mozgáskotta” - Sessions of development of motor skills with intellectual development twice a week, with 16 participating children on each session. Children attend sessions according to age group.
3. School preparatory sessions are held for bigger preschoolers, once a week, a total of 40 times a year.
4. A monthly parent consultation, where the issues and problems that arise can be discussed and a complex picture of the children's development can be obtained.
5. The consultation on the results of the project are held once a month, creating 12 Facebook posts and 4 blog posts per month.

6. There are monthly or weekly professional collaborations with the local nurse and local kindergartens, who will be introduced to the workshop building and activities for the children. The nurse, in collaboration with the family mentor, conducts a weekly assessment of the children involved.

Expected results of the project: The project increases the number of preschool clubs from 60 to 80, the number of „Mozgáskotta” and school preparatory sessions from 25 to 40, and the number of parent consultations from 8 to 12. The number of events with professional partners increases from 1 to 2. New volunteers are involved: instead of 10-15 people, 16-20 people take part in the work of the organization.

2. RECD_2022_02 Hungarian-Roma Association in Szomolya – „I am rocking you, my darling!” 2.

Introduction of the organization: The association was established in 2005 on the basis of a local Roma initiative with the aim of improving the quality of life and social mobility opportunities of the Roma community in Szomolya, representing their interests and mediating between them and the decision-makers of the settlement, non-Roma society. The majority of their membership is local Roma, who consider it important to improve their own situation and that of their community. In 2008, they managed to buy a property where their office and community house still operate. They provide regular services to local families. Their core activity is assistance in social administration, advocacy. They provide computer and internet access in their community house and regularly organize leisure, community programs. Between 2007 and 2009, a housing and integration program was implemented in two rounds, which supported the relocation of families living in cave dwellings (cellar houses) to an integrated environment. After the closing of the “settlement program”, a garbage collection and cleaning campaign was organized in the empty cellar houses, for which they managed to mobilize the entire Roma community and some non-Roma as well as volunteers. In 2009-2010, Roma Service Offices were operated at the regional level with the support of OFA. It was then that they first came into contact with the village of Sály, where a settlement liquidation program was implemented in 2010-2011 as the consortium leader. In 2009, an empty cellar house was renovated with the support from the Norwegian NGO Fund in order to save and populate the village and the surrounding area. With the help of the Swiss NGO and Scholarship Fund, a 24-month scholarship program was launched to keep marginalized Roma children in school.

Aim of the project: The specific goal is to provide young parents (between age 17-28) a program and activities that increase their general and parenting knowledge, develop their skills, abilities and parental competencies, and make them to raise and care for their children consciously. Their goal is to create a community of young moms that helps and supports each other.

They aim to turn a group of professionals into a small community that supports each other, and have mutual respect and acceptance which is the foundation of a community. In addition, the aim of the professionals of this group is to get to know the everyday problems of the Roma families, so that they can help the families more effectively, and understand their difficulties.

Target group of the project: The target group of the program is a group of young Roma mothers aged 17-28 (approximately 5-8 people) who are provided with training to develop their

parental competencies. Of course, their children (about 8-10 people, 0-6 years old) are indirectly affected.

Activities in the project: The project implements 9 different programs:

1. Social-café (interprofessional consultation), every two months, for a total of 6 times, attended by local social, educational and upbringing professionals.
2. Social- café events are held a total of 3 times, which are jointly organized and conducted by the professionals participating in the Social-café.
3. Parent clubs a total of 12 times, with the participation of 5-10 people, which are held on a monthly basis by a social external worker.
4. Rocking club: A group of 0-3-year olds and their parents focusing on development. Sessions are held twice a week, a total of 65 times, with guided play activities, occasionally with 3-6 children.
5. Afternoon of Fairy Tales: Development group of 5-8-year olds. Twice a week, a total of 65 development sessions with guided play activities, occasionally with 15-20 children.
6. Integration-mobilization programs, once a month, a total of 12 times. Trip to places that families participating in the program would not get to without the project.
7. Summer camp for 0-8 year olds to develop movement and other skills. The 4-day camps is attended by about 15 people.
8. Family days are held once a month, a total of 12 times in the community house of the organization, where children and adults can play and spend time together, sharing information and talking to each other.
9. Communication of project results a total of 12 times, once a month on Facebook.

Expected results of the project: During the project, the number of children involved in compensatory activities will increase from 10-15 to 15-20, of which the number of 0-5-year olds will increase from 5 to 12. The number of children's sessions is growing from 1 per week to 2 per week. The number of professional contacts will also increase from 2 to 3, and the implementation of jointly organized events will start, so the number will increase from 0 to 3. Compared to 3 so far, there are 5 volunteers. 1 sustainability and resource creation plan will be completed.

3. RECD_2022_03 National Association of Roma Women of the XXI. Century - Petal Playhouse - We learn by play! 3.0

Introduction of the organization: The National Association of Roma Women of the XXI. Century was founded in 2016. The establishment of the organization is due to the initiative of ten active Roma and non-Roma women. Their association is a non-profit social organization that helps to represent the rights and social interests of Roma and non-Roma women, promotes their participation in public life and improves the quality of life of their families. The aim of the organization is to promote volunteering, to catch up with primary school children, to help high school students to stay in school and to provide information through preventive education and training (self-knowledge, personality development, etc.). From the very beginning, they have been doing significant field work, visiting and assisting mainly Roma families living in the lagging settlement. Here they discuss different topics and give information on certain issues. Today, they have more members and men have been involved in making the organization as effective as possible. They regularly hold community programs, development trainings, and

events that nurture Roma traditions. Most of their volunteers are Roma students and retired women. The organization operates in the area of Nyíregyháza, including the most backward and segregated settlements and housing estates in the city. In 2018, they won the award for the most active organization in Nyíregyháza.

Aim of the project: The aim is to provide individual and group sessions in the topic of early skills development again through a year, twice a week for 15-20 children who are mainly marginalized Roma children, aged 2-8 living in Nyíregyháza, Jóságó district mostly in the Tower House. Through the session speech, movement development and socialization and play activities take place. The aim is to compensate for the disadvantages of the children so that the skills / ability deficiencies can be identified in time, so that they can receive targeted development with the involvement of a specialist. The program involves parents of children who are assisted by professionals in accessing appropriate information on child development. In addition to attend a development session, programs are organized once a month to strengthen parental competencies for parents. Such as: self-knowledge, advocacy, acquisition of advocacy methods, strengthening the relationship between kindergarten/school teachers and parents. The goal of the programs is to help them become a responsible and conscious parent. By organizing community programs and events, they empower the community, bringing Roma and non-Roma people closer together, and get them to have shared experiences.

Target group of the project: The project directly targets those 15-20 disadvantaged young people aged 2-8 - mainly with Roma origin - who live in the Tower House and the parents of the children involved. Indirectly, the target group is residents, NGOs, educators, professionals and volunteers of Jóságó district.

Activities in the project: The project has 9 activities:

1. Parent clubs, which take place once a month, with 2-10 participants at a time, individually or in groups. During the individual consultations, the parent can discuss the development and possible problems of each child. In group sessions, speakers are invited and joint programs are organized according to the needs of the parents.
2. Development sessions for 2-8-year olds and their parents take place twice a week, a total of 80 times, individually and in groups. Occasionally approx. 15-20 children and their parents. During the sessions, the emphasis is on the development of movement, communication and the development of fine motor skills. Parents also take part in the sessions, they supervise and guide their children according to the instructions they receive (movement development games, dexterity development games).
3. They organize 1-day trips 5 times, with the participation of 15-20 children and their parents. They visit the local Playhouse twice, the Puppet Theater twice and once the Roma Country House in Hodászi.
4. Holiday-related events are held 9 times, occasionally with 30-60 people. The events are open to anyone. This contributes to the development and strengthening of the communities of children, young people and adults.
5. Once a month, 7 times altogether, children between 4 and 8 (approx. 5 participants at a time) learn about organic gardening and learn the basic steps to do it.
6. The Cooking Club is held a total of 3 times, with the aim of introducing healthy, nutritious foods, with the help of the Butterfly Development Association.
7. With the participation of about 20-60 people, garbage collection will be organized once in the summer of 2022. The aim of the community action is to raise awareness of the amount of waste thrown away.

8. Once a month, a total of 12 times, the results of the project are communicated in the form of Facebook posts and short films. A closing event will be held, to which the families involved in the program and the cooperating partners will be invited, a total of 30-60 people.
9. Professional collaborations with the nurse, the family caregiver, the Red Cross, and the Health Center, which are held a total of 2 times, on Children's Day and Jósavárosi Day.

Expected results of the project: As a result of the project, they will be able to have the same number of development sessions (80 times), parent clubs (8 times), gardening programs (5 times), cooking clubs (5 times), holiday-related events (9 times), field trips (5 times), and garbage collection (1 time). They can also keep the number of children participating in the programs (15-20 people), of which the same number (10 people) will be 0-5 years old. They can recruit new volunteers, so the number increases from 5 to 8.

4. RECD_2022_04 SZETA Eger Foundation – „Come with us!” Student network in Felnémet

Introduction of the organization:

The Foundation was established in 1989 to promote the social integration and mobility of people living in poverty, especially the Roma, through various means and services. They provide services in individual, group and community forms to specific communities in specific settlements. Since 1997, they have been dealing with families on a daily basis. First, they established contact with the people of the Eger Béke settlement (in Felnémet part of the town, Eger), and they established a settlement-type community house, thus ensuring their permanent presence and accessibility. Their staff carried out continuous fieldwork, and personal contacts were established between the Foundation and the residents of the site. They also addressed the people living in the settlement, especially children and young people, with their community programs (family days) and services. With the experience and knowledge gained, the Foundation started working with Roma living in deep poverty and segregation in other settlements as well. Between 2006 and 2011, the housing and integration programs of Szomolya, Sály and Sirok settlements were professionally managed by the organization. In 2013, the “Northern Hungary Settlement Network” was set up, which currently includes 16 non-governmental organizations from 13 settlements, with the aim of helping the Roma to catch up, especially children and young people.

Aim of the project: The long-term goal is for the children growing up in the Eger Béke Settlement to have a marketable profession, have a high school diploma and/or a diploma, to have a profitable job and to live their lives in an integrated living environment. This would interrupt the process of reproducing poverty and end the Béke Settlement as a segregation.

The specific goal is to develop the skills and abilities of the children aged 0-6 living in the Béke Settlement, to expand their knowledge and awareness to the world, thus developing their basic literacy and mathematical skills – which are necessary for starting school - on a stable base.

Target group of the project: The direct target group includes the 20 children aged 0-8 who participate in the programs, and the indirect target group includes adults, young people and children living in and around the Béke settlement, altogether approx. 100 people.

Activities in the project: A total of 6 program elements are expected in the project:

1. “Come with us” club (development sessions for children 0-8 years old), which is held every weekday afternoon in the community house of the organization, with a total of 20 participants. Sessions are thematically designed to increase children’s awareness and school readiness. It is held a total of approx. 190 times.
2. Saturday’s playhouse, which, as its name suggests, is held every Saturday at the organization’s community house, about 44 times, with an average of 12-13 children and 7-8 parents attending.
3. Parent clubs, 1 time a month, a total of 11 times, during which it is possible to learn the development opportunities of children, in several cases with the help of a specialist - a nurse, a pediatrician, a psychologist. Occasionally 8-10 parents/grandparents are expected to attend.
4. Interprofessional consultation: Every three months, a total of 4 interprofessional consultations are organized with the kindergarten teachers and, if necessary, with the specialists of the child welfare center and the educational counseling and nursing service.
5. A three-day family camp, with a total of 2 occasions, attended by about 30-32 people, where the goal is to provide a family vacation experience.
6. As their communication activities, they provide a total of 28 online and 2 other publications to present the project on their Facebook page, and they also try to involve the county press into the dissemination activities.

Expected results of the project: As a result of the project, 190 people will be involved in the activities of the “Come with us” club and 11 parents in the parent clubs. 22 people will take part in Saturday’s playhouses. Thanks to the project, 2 family camps will be organized. Disability compensation programs involve 20 people, 15 of whom are in the 0-5 age group. 3 events will be organized with professional partners and 1 new volunteer will be able to be involved in the project.

5. RECD_2022_05 Village Developers Association of Bükkszentmárton – Children’s Island 4.

Introduction of the organization: The organization was established in January 2013 with the aim of developing villages, primarily improving local human resources, strengthening the cohesion of the village and relations between Roma and non-Roma, and reducing Roma unemployment. They also aim to develop cooperation between the surrounding villages. To this end, civil roundtables were held almost monthly in the past, where they discussed the problems of their village and planned their future together with the mayor and the Roma self-government. Many programs have been organized during their existence so far. They organize monthly leisure-community programs, children’s day, Santa’s celebration, flea market, quizzes, May Day. They have already managed to continue the development of the children within the framework of two winner tenders (Children’s Island 1-2.) to create a suitable room for the sessions in a municipal building. An important resource of the association is that the parents concerned, the association, the local government and the Roma self-government also support our efforts.

Aim of the project: The long-term goal of intervening in the life and development of families with small children in Bükkszentmárton is to prepare them for school knowledge, to establish

successful school performance, to acquire marketable knowledge and skills in later years; overall: interrupt the process of poverty reproduction.

Their specific goal is to provide services and developmental activities for children aged 0-8 in Bükkszentmárton as follows:

- 0-3 year olds (3-4 people) should regularly attend the children's community organized by them, their social skills should develop, their movement, speech and intellectual skills should reach a level appropriate to their age characteristics, they should use toys and devices that develop large and small movements safely.
- 4-5 year olds (6-10 people) must meet the requirements of school maturity, have such knowledge and skills that they perform well in school.
- 6-8 year olds (8-9 people) should progress in their studies according to their age and be able to feel successful based on their results.
- Parents, young adults and association members (15-16 people) acquire and strengthen the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary for the conscious development of children.

Target group of the project: The direct target group of the program is the children who participate in the program: 3-4 people (0-3 years old); 6-10 people (4-6 years old); 8-10 people (6-8 years old) and parents, young adults, and association. The indirect target group is the inhabitants of the village (approx. 320 people), but especially the older siblings of the children involved (50-60 people)

Activities in the project: A total of 6 program elements are expected in the project:

1. Development sessions are held 4 times a week (approximately 185 times in total), individually and in groups, with an average of 10-12 and a maximum of 18 children participating.
2. A developmental playhouse is held four times a month, every Saturday, in the community house for children and their parents. They also take them to children's programs in Eger and the surrounding area, e.g. playhouse, puppet show, cinema, excursion. The program is implemented approximately 44 times, with the participation of 18-20 children and 7-8 parents.
3. There will be a three-day summer family camp for 30 children and their parents. The aim of the camp is to develop movement and other skills, as well as to strengthen parent-child relationships. The camp is organized and supervised by local volunteers, most of whom are parents.
4. The parents' club is held once a month, a total of 12 times, with the participation of about 8-10 people, in which the participants think together and learn about the children's development in a playful way.
5. An interprofessional meeting is held every three months, 4 times in total, with the family caregiver and the nurse, as a result of which a joint children's day is held.
6. The communication of the results of the project is continuous, in the form of a total of 24 Facebook posts and occasional county appearances.

Expected results of the project: The number of development sessions (from 130 to 185), Saturday's development playhouses (from 32 to 44), and parent clubs (from 8 to 12) are increasing. The 4 interprofessional cooperation and the summer camp will be added as new elements. The program is running with a stable headcount, which is likely to involve more parents than before. The events and actions (5) created by the interprofessional collaborations (4) appear as new elements. The organization is increasing the number of its volunteers from 5 to 8.

6. RECD_2022_06 Roma Self-helper Association of Cserehát –With little steps

Introduction of the organization: In 2007, they decided to carry out their community activities within the framework of a legally registered organization called the Cserehát Roma Self-Help Public Benefit Association (Cseröke). Cseröke constantly organizes programs for people living in Tomor. The local community house hosts film screenings, sports, leisure (chess, ping-pong) and other community-building programs. Discussions are organized involving young and old alike, as well as excursions in the surrounding forests for children. They are in constant contact with the organizations operating in the surrounding settlements, they are provided with tender information, thus helping the work of the non-governmental organizations there. They helped establishing 12 associations in the county. Their long-term goals include the creation of a "Roma Resource Center" in Cserehát, which could act as a regional management office, bringing resources, job opportunities and trainings to the region. The members of the organization also played an important role in the establishment of the Cserehát Roma Independent News Agency.

Aim of the project: The aim of the project is to provide weekly individual development sessions to 16 cumulatively disadvantaged young children under the age of 8 and their mothers living in Tomor, Lak, Hegymeg and Homrogd to improve the skills and reduce the gaps of the children involved, resulting in a measurable increase in their social competences. Based on the individual development plans of the children and their mothers involved in the program, experts, local volunteers and nurses compile and teach development activities that help mothers develop their child-raising competencies and increase their child development tools. For individual development plans, they visit the local nurse and kindergarten teacher, including district doctors if necessary, and map out the available social network, its organizations, and members of the signaling system to help the families involved in the program. An important part of the program is the strengthening of community cohesion, which is achieved by holding traditional holidays (birthdays and name days, Christmas, Easter) with the participating families, for which the nurses prepare together with the mothers, cook together, bake a birthday cake or make traditional food. The holiday strengthens family and community togetherness, at the same time mothers learn to cook and prepare healthy meals, and improve children's nutrition, stamina and endurance.

Target group of the project: The direct target group of the project is the children of those mothers in Tomor, Homrogd, Lak, and Hegymeg, who had children at a very young age in disadvantaged, segregated life conditions. The children involved and their families are indirectly affected.

Activities in the project: A total of 8 program elements are expected in the project:

1. Once a month, a total of 12 times a parent club is organized, with the participation of 8-10 parents at a time. Parent clubs are run with the help of external staff members of a social educator, a family caregiver and a development educator. On these occasions, parents can ask their questions, discuss their current family, child-raising and nursing problems, and seek advice. They also share their experiences with each other. The topics of the parents' club are initially given by the environmental study on which the development plans are based and reflect on the shortcomings and problems that have arisen (housing situation, heating, washing, childcare, learning difficulties, family problems, etc.) Parents are also involved in suggesting additional topics.

2. The development group of 0-3 year olds and their parents is implemented 2 times a week (96 in total), occasionally with the participation of 8 children and their parents. In these sessions, the focus is on the parent-child relationship. Parents receive information about the feeding, care, dressing, bathing and aeration of the young child (infant). They get useful advice on health care, vaccinations, care for children's diseases. Sessions are held by a nurse, a pediatrician, and an early developmental teacher.
3. A development group of 3-8 year olds and their parents will also be held twice a week, with the occasional participation of 8 children and their parents. The emphasis is on competence development and pre-school development. Parents also take part in the sessions, they supervise and guide their children according to the instructions they receive. The session is held by development teachers, nurses and volunteers.
4. Family days are held once a month between May and October, for a total of 6 times. Here, children and adults celebrate and learn about the traditions of family and other holidays together. They get advice on eating, cooking and baking. Occasionally they expect 30 people.
5. The Gastro Club is held twice a month, a total of 20 times, occasionally for approx. 15-20 people. Its essence is the joint preparation of real food and cakes, with the help of family caregivers and volunteers, their common consumption, and the presentation of cultured eating habits. In addition, the protocol of hospitality, table setting, decoration, environment, healthy lifestyle, recognition of eating disorders, treatment of deficiency symptoms, possibilities of vitamin supplementation and home economics will be discussed.
6. Professional workshops are held once a month, a total of 12 times, to report on the progress of the project. It is possible to request support, discuss professional deadlocks.
7. Communication of project results is provided on a monthly basis (12 times in total) with Facebook appearance. In addition, a project opening and closing event will be held, to which not only the local community but also the residents of the surrounding settlements will be invited. At these events approx. 50-60 people are participating.
8. Professional collaborations are an important part of the project, so regular consultations with the nurse and parents are held once a month (12 times in total). The head of the kindergarten in Lak holds such sessions every 3 months (4 times in total). Professional lectures are organized for parents 5 times.

Expected results of the project: Thanks to the project, 8 mothers will be included in the program and 6 family days will be held in the same way as in previous years. The gastro-club and the project opening and closing events, which will take place 10 and 2 times, will appear as new elements. In the same way, 12 people can be recruited for professional lectures and professional workshops. The number of participants in the family day will be increased from 25 to 30. Compared to the previous 6, 12 people are expected to attend the monthly parenting programs. Another 3 professional contacts will be established and 3 joint events will be organized. The number of volunteers increases from 4 to 6.

7. RECD_2022_7 InDaHouse Hungary Association - IDH early childhood and school preparation program in Fügöd

Introduction of the organization: The goal of InDaHouse Hungary is that underage, disadvantaged children living in the small region of Encs become self-fulfilling, responsible adults who control their own destiny and are capable of mobility, who, when they become parents can incorporate the support they receive from us into their children's upbringing.

Aiming at this, they hold individual and group development sessions implemented by volunteers and run a mentor program. For the contributing volunteers they provide professional background. They held their first children's session in Pere. Since then, the 2 committed people have grown to nearly 200, the 20 children to over 200, the 1 municipality to 4, and last but not least, Pere to Hernádszentandrás. The InDaHouse Hungary Association works with children in three main professional areas: early childhood development, the pre-school programme and the kindergarten programme. InDaHouse has twelve employees, two local drivers to help keep the weekends running smoothly, and all the other volunteers, now numbering nearly 300. The two drivers who transport the children from the surrounding villages to the school sessions are fathers whose children also participate in the InDaHouse sessions. One of the reasons for the volunteer-based operation is that it is a social solidarity programme, where children growing up in isolated, deprived environments and poor families are met by volunteers who are living a more fortunate life. They work, learn and play together, and while doing so, the two ends of the social divide are brought closer together, and our children are integrated into the larger society, if only in these 4 small communities. The social purpose of the programme can therefore only be achieved by volunteers.

Aim of the project: The aim of the project is to achieve a more effective and longer-term cooperation with selected 10 disadvantaged families in Fügöd, through regular monitoring and multi-level support of the development of 15 young children aged 0-5 years living in their families. The Developmental Scale (Oláh, 2009) developed by the National Methodological Institute for Infant Homes (CSOMI) is used for the input assessment and follow-up of developmental domains (movement, behaviour, communication, fine motor skills, play). The primary aim is to improve the health and mental well-being of young children and support their smoother entry into the local education system. The secondary aim is to increase the communication tools of parents with young children and to enable them to maintain ongoing contact with health, educational and social services.

Target group of the project: The direct beneficiaries of the project are the 10 participating families and 15 children aged 0-5 years. Indirectly affected are the majority of the society and professionals.

Activities in the project: A total of 9 program elements are expected in the project:

1. Preparation of complex early childhood development through family visits (11 children under 3 years) 2-3 times per family. Guided discussion with the help of a special needs teacher on the framework of cooperation, assessment of basic material and environmental conditions, assessment of needs, input assessment, and connection with young children (stories, songs, puppetry).
2. Health assessment of siblings in the pre-school programme (4 children, 5 years old) 2 times per child. 1 individual assessment session at the Hill Development House for 4 children. This is an individual session guided by a special education teacher to assess motor organization, vocabulary, articulation, graphomotor status and attention span. 1 session of guided observation in a family setting for 4 children, which is an observation guided by a special education teacher to assess the connection, play and parenting activity with the little siblings during the family visit.
3. Complex early childhood development during family visits (11 children under 3 years), 1 visit per child per week for 21 weeks. Complex individual early childhood development and counselling led by a special needs teacher in the framework of family

visits, with a focus on social communication and movement development. Parents are also involved in the sessions.

4. Organising health screenings and/or other check-ups and meetings with families 1-2 times per family. If necessary, joint meetings with a social worker.
5. One complex, individual and small group pre-school sessions per child per week (4 children, 5-year-olds), focusing on preparing children for writing, developing motor coordination and attention skills, expanding vocabulary, building mathematical skills, social skills and problem solving.
6. Outcome measurement of pre-school children (4 children, 5-year-olds) 1 time.
7. Complex early childhood impact assessment (follow-up health assessment of 11 young children under 3 years) 2-3 times per family. Individual special education assessment and parent consultation led by a special education teacher. Re-taking of the developmental scale (CSOMI) recorded at the beginning of the programme and discussion of the developmental curve of the young children with their parents. Assessment of needs and wants.
8. Summarising the results and experiences of the programme and drawing conclusions in 1 professional and 1 technical meeting.
9. The results of the project are communicated once a month on Facebook and regularly on the association's website. In addition, a summary study on the project's methods and results will be produced.

Expected results of the project: As a result of the project, the children involved reach the expected average age, achieve 20-30% growth in their mother tongue and numerical skills, and develop social behaviour and social adaptation. The number of children participating in the programmes will increase from 5 to 15, with 11 children aged 0-5 years old instead of 5. The number of participants in parent programmes is expected to increase from 4 to 10. The number of professional partnerships will increase from 1 to 3 and the number of events organized with them will also increase from 1 to 2. The number of volunteers will increase from 3 to 8.

8. RECD_2022_08 Tarnagyöngye Association – Gummy Bears

Introduction of the organization: The Tarnagyöngye Association was founded in May 2013 in order to promote the interests of the Roma of Oszajla. Their aim is also to promote the improvement of the social and employment situation of the people living here, and to achieve results for the development and improvement of the settlement. A lot of energy has been put into community organization lately. They can also count on their members and volunteers to organize programs and think together. Their members include the poor and non-poor, Roma and non-Roma, but most of them are Roma living in the Ó-Szajla settlement. The association holds regular meetings, participates in and organizes civil workshops in the settlement. Their decisions are made at their public membership meetings, and then the various activities and tasks are also discussed. Their establishment was encouraged by the “Seven Villages - One Network” anti-poverty program, which affects several nearby settlements, and they are currently receiving professional support from the Settlement Network in Northern Hungary. The association cooperates with the local government of the settlement and the Roma ethnic selfgovernment, and they are members of the Heves33 Rural Development LEADER Action Group.

Aim of the project: The long term goal is to reduce the number of people living in extreme poverty in Oszajla, to interrupt the process of poverty reproduction, to enable children growing up now to acquire a profession, a high school diploma, a degree, and to live in better living

conditions, to "break out", to dare to step out into the "big world", i.e., not only to see life in the small settlement, but to bravely look for a job in the labour market.

Target group of the project: The direct target group of the project includes children aged 0-8 years in Ószajla (approx. 28-22 persons) and young women from Ószajla and Újszajla who are in receipt of childcare and childcare allowance (approx. 11-15 persons). Also indirectly affected are the entire population of Ószajla, in particular the brothers and sisters of the affected children and the husbands of the affected women, about 40-50 and 300 persons respectively.

Activities in the project: A total of 8 program elements are expected in the project:

1. Baby-Mum clubs are held once a month, 12 times in total, and are run by the local nurse. Approximately 8-10 parents are expected to attend each session.
2. Development clubs for 0-8 year olds are held once a week (44 times in total during the project), with 15-18 children, focusing on physical activity.
3. There are 2 children's clubs a week, 88 in total. The aim is to develop large and small movements, imitation, role-playing and rule games, visual representation (drawing, painting with different tools), language communication (stories, poems), basic maths and logic, environmental awareness, and various skills.
4. The association organizes monthly family days where children and adults can play and spend time together, sharing information and talking.
5. Parents' Clubs are also held monthly for 8-10 parents under the guidance of the project leader.
6. 1 social administration and complaints day (44 in total) per week. These days help to find solutions to problems that may arise, possibly with the help of a specialist.
7. Inter-professional consultations are organized with the primary schools, the nurse and the kindergarten, 3-3-3 times.
8. The communication of the project results is continuously ensured on Facebook and at least once in the Heves County Newspaper.

Expected results of the project: As a result of the project, the number of participants in the children's and development clubs will increase from 15 to 20, with the number of 0-5 year olds increasing from 9 to 5. The number of participants in the parent clubs is expected to increase from 8 to 10, compared to 6. The number of people who need family support will increase from 15 to 25. The number of participants in family days will increase from 50 to 60-80. One more professional contact will be established in addition to the two existing ones. The number of volunteers will increase from 8 to 12.

9. RECD_2022_11 Laskó-spring Association – We play together, we learn together 4.

Introduction of the organization: The Laskó Spring Association of Hevesaranyos, founded in 2013, aims to create a strong local community that can influence and shape the development of the settlement. They want to find a way out primarily for the unemployed who are stuck in the system of public works by taking advantage of the potential of the settlement. Their goal is to organize programs and services for the local community - a significant part of whom are poor and / or Roma people. They want to become an organization that can have a say in the decisions and practices that affect the people of Hevesaranyos, including the poor and the Roma. In order to realize their ideas, they receive help from a part of the local intelligence, on the other hand, from the experts of the SZETA Eger Foundation, and they also receive support from the local

hunting company. They gained project experience as a target group, the implementer of which was the SZETA Eger Foundation. In this way, they learned to organize community programs and civil roundtables, and they also mastered the project approach, the need to prepare, and the way to resolve conflicts. From 1 March 2015 to 30 April 2016, an independent project was carried out with the support of the Norwegian NGO Fund, aimed at developing local democracy and community life. Subsequently, within the framework of another project, based on the traditions of Hevesaranyos, a gypsy dance group was formed from young people who have already had several performances. They are very proud of this group, and this group makes a major contribution for strengthening the cohesion of the local Roma community.

Aim of the project: Their overall aim is to supplement public services that help children in the village, to help them and their parents to succeed in school, to acquire marketable skills, to help them escape the poverty trap, to help them escape the recreating of poverty trap, to help them rebuild their lives. Helping parents to build a successful network of relationships, as it is those relationships that can contribute to their 'success' that really matter. The specific aim is therefore to ensure that children develop both physical and mental skills and abilities, increase their knowledge through regular activities for two age groups and develop local human resources, transfer knowledge, skills and abilities to local young people and involve them as volunteers in the implementation of services (e.g. in the preparation and implementation of children's club sessions and family days).

Target group of the project: The direct target group of the project are children aged 0-3 years (8-10 children) and 4-8 years (13-15 children) who participate in the programmes. The indirect beneficiaries are the siblings and parents of the children involved, about 50-60 people.

Activities in the project: A total of 11 program elements are expected in the project:

1. A project launch will be organized, with the participation of about 50-60 people, to inform the population and the village administration about the project details.
2. Once a month, 12 parent clubs will be organized, with 5-10 parents.
3. Development group for 0-8 year olds and their parents: 2 (92 in total) sessions per week, with the participation of about 15 children and their parents, where the children participate in partly guided and partly initiative sessions, where parents are also present, supervising and guiding their children according to the instructions given. The children are supervised and guided by the parents, who are in charge of the children's activities.
4. During the summer, 15 children aged 6-8 attend a week-long (Monday-Friday) day camp, where they learn movement (swimming, dancing) and other skills. The camp is organized and supervised by local volunteers, most of whom are parents. A specialist is also present on 1-2 occasions.
5. One family day (12 in total) a month is organized where children and adults can play together, spend time together, share information and chat. This helps to develop and strengthen communities of children, young people and adults.
6. Practicum clubs are organized 6 times with 6-8 participants, where interested parents can learn about modern and traditional handicraft techniques and simple household practices.
7. Baby-mom gymnastics and children's classes are held 6 times, with about 15-20 participants, mainly in the months when the weather allows them to be held outside. The gymnastics improves the quality of life and physical condition of mother and child and plays a very important role in early development.
8. 3 storytelling sessions for 10-15 children, led by a drama teacher, for 4-8 year olds.

9. A minimum of 3 meetings will be organized during the project, with a joint event with local experts: the school social worker, the nurse and the nursery teacher.
10. The association will organize a family day at the end of the project, to which not only the target group will be invited, but also the inhabitants and leaders of the village, together with the leaders and experts of the neighbouring municipality. Around 50-60 participants are expected.
11. The continuous communication of the project results will be ensured on Facebook.

Expected results of the project: The number of family days increases from 6 to 12 and the number of practical clubs from 4 to 6. A new element is the introduction of drama sessions. The number of professional links established will be increased by a further one (to 4 in total). The number of volunteers will increase from 10 to 12. The number of people involved in the sessions will be maintained

10. RECD_2022_12 Somnakuno Drom - Roma Women Civil Association - Mini-Manó Babyhouse

Introduction of the organization: The aim of the association is to change the negative social image of Roma, to promote the interests of Roma women, to encourage their social participation, to strengthen the identity of Roma women and young people and to nurture their talents. To strengthen and develop social and cultural relations with the majority society by organising meaningful and value-creating programmes for members of the Roma minority in Hungary. Their cultural activities include the restoration, presentation and mediation of the cultural, spiritual, historical, built heritage, folk art, folk art and traditions of the Roma minority/community in Hungary and beyond its borders, the organization, implementation and support of cultural events and festivals, participation in national, EU and other tenders. Operation and promotion of Roma self-education circles engaged in cultural and artistic activities. In their educational activities, they organize and support training, lectures and courses to prevent poverty, social and labour market disadvantages and to promote sustainable development, both for the Roma minority and other stakeholders. Attract and support talented Roma youth and women. To assist, support and train older people. Participation in projects for Roma youth and women in national, EU and international tenders, project development and implementation through education, training, skills development and dissemination. Their health activities include the organization of programmes to improve the health-conscious lifestyle of Roma minorities and other social groups, whether majority or minority, through healthy lifestyle education, healthy nutrition, healthy home building programmes, mental and social health improvement through leisure and tourism events. Organization of mass sports activities in leisure or competitive activities, provision of facilities. Development and implementation of related projects, submission and implementation of projects in national, EU and international tenders. Their international activities include developing cooperation with minority NGOs and other organizations at home and abroad, contributing to the development of international cultural relations and the cultivation of these relations. Participation, support and participation in international events and festivals. Building, supporting and jointly implementing projects with other national and international NGOs and other organizations. In addition, representation of the Roma minority, especially Roma women, and support for public appearances. To achieve its aims, the association seeks to obtain national, EU and other grants, planning projects and calls for tenders. In order to achieve its objectives, the association produces publications and educational documents within the scope of its activities.

Aim of the project: Provision of development sessions for 30 children under 5 years of age living in very poor living conditions in the Gödrök slum of Nagykálló, for 30 children under 5

years living in very poor living conditions, 2 times a week for 12 months, and for 17 parents 2 times a month. These sessions have a developmental impact on the abilities of the former, such as: fine motor skills, eye-hand coordination, motor skills, thinking development, identity awakening and strengthening, while the adults are encouraged to get to know and promote the development of their children, especially young mothers, who can get to know the age specificities of their children better during this time. It will also help to improve parent-child; parent-professional (e.g.: nurse, paediatrician) relations. Their aim is to help children to achieve positive and predictably good results in education/care by the end of the 12th month, compared to their pre-assessed results.

Target group of the project: The direct target group are the children under 5 (300 children) and their parents (17) involved in the project. In addition, the indirect target group is the entire Roma population of Nagykovács, the majority society and professionals.

Activities in the project: A total of 11 program elements are expected in the project:

1. Parents' clubs are held every two weeks, with presentations by a family pedagogue, a health professional and a development teacher. 18 parents are expected to attend each of the 24 sessions.
2. Development groups for children aged 0-5 and their parents are held 3 times a week, 146 times in total, with an average of 20-30 children and their parents. The developmental sessions are designed to develop different skills: movement, fine motor skills, mother tongue, outdoor education, active learning. In addition, 1-2 sessions per week (depending on the needs) are devoted to play pedagogy, with special emphasis on free play, rule play and developmental games.
3. 30 children and their parents will visit the Nyíregyháza Zoo, based on active learning about the outside world and empathy building. They consider it important for children to get to know animals and plants.
4. The Health Day is a one-off joint activity with local health professionals at the Roma community centre, where children learn about fruit and vegetables and the importance of staying healthy, as do parents. 150 people are expected to participate.
5. At Christmas, a joint action called "Blessed Christmas" is organized with 150 participants.
6. "The miracle of childbirth" Joint action with Emma association, nurse and midwife, where the topics are: women's attitude to childbirth, possible crutches, rights, timetable, dealing with traumas. The parents of the children involved and pregnant or unmarried girls from the Roma settlements are invited. In total, about 35 people.
7. The project will be communicated on Facebook on an ongoing basis. The project will also be promoted at the project launch and closing events, where 100 people will attend.
8. Professional partnerships are established with local professionals, with whom 3 joint events are organized: the Health Day, the "Miracle of Childbirth" event, and the Parents' Clubs' lectures.

Expected results of the project: The development group for 0-5 year olds and their parents is a new addition, with 146 sessions. The number of large events will increase from 3 to 5. 30 people will be involved in the compensatory programmes, up from 17, all of whom will be in the 0-5 age group, compared to 6. The number of new partnerships will increase from 2 to 8, and the number of professional sessions with them will increase from 0 to 2. The number of volunteers doubles from 15 to 30.