



FUNDATIA JOYO

Sprijin Socio-Educativ pentru Copii, Tineri si Familii in Dificultate

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The children, the youth and the families in difficulty need long-term support in order to don't lose the hope that they will be able to live independently and to have a decent life.

The 2020 year was a dramatic one for all of us, but in the same time it was the most difficult year for an organization like ours. Even in this kind of context, Fundatia JOYO offered permanently support, adequate to the needs of the 1206 beneficiaries from our projects and it proved that it can help efficiently the children, in any conditions.

In this unusual context of the pandemic, we had to take quick decisions and to adapt to the situations that were continuously changing, in order to be more useful to the ones that needed us. The Board of Fundatia JOYO and the multidisciplinary team were flexible and they managed to obtain the expected results. We put the education, the health and the social integration of our children first and we will continue to do that beyond the foreseeable and less foreseeable obstacles caused by the pandemic.

In the name of the team and of the Board of our organization, we want to thank to everyone who joined our efforts, be they sponsors, financiers, volunteers, collaborators and who, through their involvement, they offered chances for the future for the children from our projects.

Presedinte,
Episcop Vicar Dr. Daniel Zikeli

Director Executiv
Adriana Constantinescu



ABOUT JOYO

MISSION

For 19 years, Fundatia JOYO initiates, develops and promotes programs and social services which insure the child's right to develop in a safe familial environment. Our organization "invests" in the education of youth and child in difficulty, as their only chance to a better future.

VISION

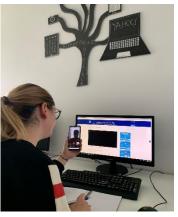
"We believe in a world where it exists a chance for unprivileged children and youth, a world of dignity and solidarity towards peers!"

2020 in a few words...

- ➤ The 2020 year has brought along with the pandemic, major changes and challenges in the beneficiaries' life and in our organization;
- Fundatia JOYO had to reorganize with much flexibility its activity, so that it could offer the support that the children needed and in the same time to respect the new rules imposed nationally, in order to protect the health of beneficiaries and of the team from the day care center;
- Closing the schools starting from 11.03.2020 has forced us to close also in our turn the socioeducational center "Winners", which was functioning in School no. 125;
- The children's education remained the main objective for us and all the taken measures were subsumed to this;
- The digitalization of the foundation's activity was another main and immediate objective, after the start of the pandemic;
- The children were equipped with tablets and laptops in order to be able to participate to online school courses and to the activities organized by our multidisciplinary team;
- The pandemic affected the children and their families economically speaking (many parents have lost their jobs), but also psychologically;
- The material support offered to the families was focused on providing school supplies, the hygiene and cleaning materials, warm meal in the center or for home, basic aliments food and paying the Internet (where was necessary);
- The children and the parents have benefited from social and psychological counseling (including online), on topics related to the effects of the pandemic and the responsible behavior during it;
- With all the difficulties that we met in this unfavorable context of 2020, planning, organizing and the permanent adjustment of the measures taking in consideration the reality, have led to very good results all the children from our projects stayed healthy and they graduated the school year.











90

families supported in the foundation's projects





children developed their skills to use the computer **13**

socio-educational projects held by the foundation



275

activities within the program "Movement for health"

RESULTS 2020

SHORT STATISTIC

118

children who benefited from educational support and pedagogical guidance



100%



school graduation rate

1206

beneficiaries supported in the foundation's projects



69

children, youth and parents have benefited from support and orientation for professional integration and reintegration



192

psychological interventions for parents



70

volunteers involved in socio-educational activities with children



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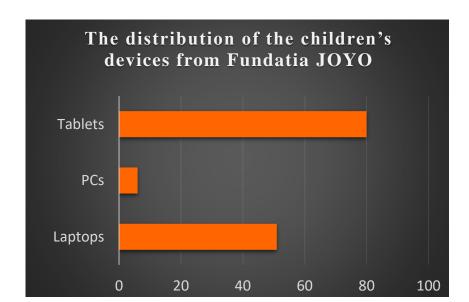
socio-educational centers in which the foundation offered services

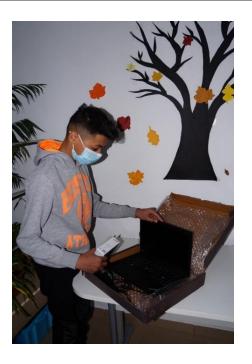


THE DIGITALIZATION OF FUNDATIA JOYO'S ACTIVITY

The pandemic and the quarantine, imposed by the authorities since March 2020, has led to closing the schools and moving the school courses in online.

The children who come from poor families would have been once again disadvantaged because their parents couldn't ensure the necessary equipment for frequenting the online school. This is why appeared the necessity of quick digitalization of Fundatia JOYO's activity and the urgent equipment of the 80 children from Casa Florian with devices.







Fortunately, in a very short time, each child has received on loan for home the tablet which he was using in the day care center Casa Florian. The digitalization process through which Fundatia JOYO passed quickly and unexpectedly, required enough resources, financial and human ones, which we managed to gather helped by some organizations, companies and private persons. Due to them, 51 older children were equipped each one with a second-hand laptop in order to be able to participate in good conditions at school courses, at the educational activities and at the IT courses organized by Fundatia JOYO. Another 6 children were equipped with second-hand PCs, received as donation from community.

For the children who didn't have Internet at home, the foundation offered support for the subscription payment. Our strategy of digitalization and planning the online activities, had good results in 2020, each child having access and equal chances to education, even if we were in this difficult context of pandemic.

ARRANGING AND ORGANIZING A NEW DAY CARE CENTER

The new recommendations and conditions imposed by the authorities regarding the physical distancing and the way of developing the activities in the day care centers has brought along also other aspects which the Board of Fundatia JOYO had to take in consideration. The necessity of ensuring to each child 4 square meters of space in the day care centers during the pandemic, has been the basis for the Fundatia JOYO's decision to open a new social day care center.



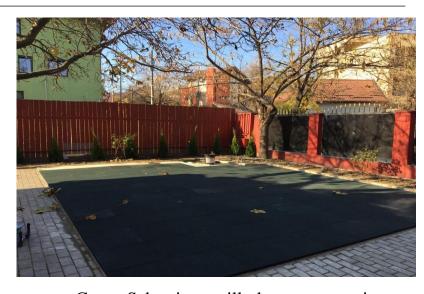
In 2021, through the decision of the Board, the house from Sabiutei street (property of the foundation), will become a new day care center for unprivileged children, named Casa Sebastian. This will offer us the possibility to ensure for the 80 children that we take care of, enough space even in the context of the pandemic.

According to the law in force, the house needed to be renovated and arranged in order to respect the norms and rules of The Inspectorate of Emergency Situations and of the minimum mandatory quality standards for social services.





There have been arranged the sanitary groups with all the necessary equipment, it was changed the thermal power plant, the interior door windows and the exterior door. Also, it has been arranged a playground, covered with tartan, for the smaller children.



Casa Sebastian will have a maximum capacity of 50 places and in conditions of pandemic it will have 30 places. The bureaucratic steps and the procedures related to obtaining the authorization and the functioning license are lasting, but at this moment they are ongoing.



PROJECTS 2020 HELD IN





















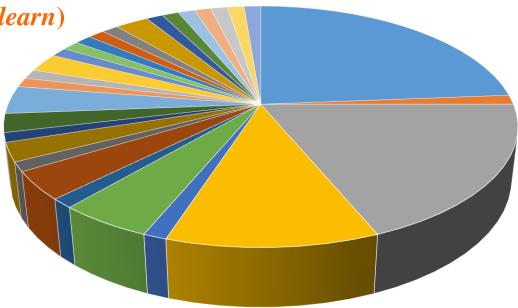






SCHOOL WITH WHICH WE COLLABORATE

(in which the children from Casa Florian learn)

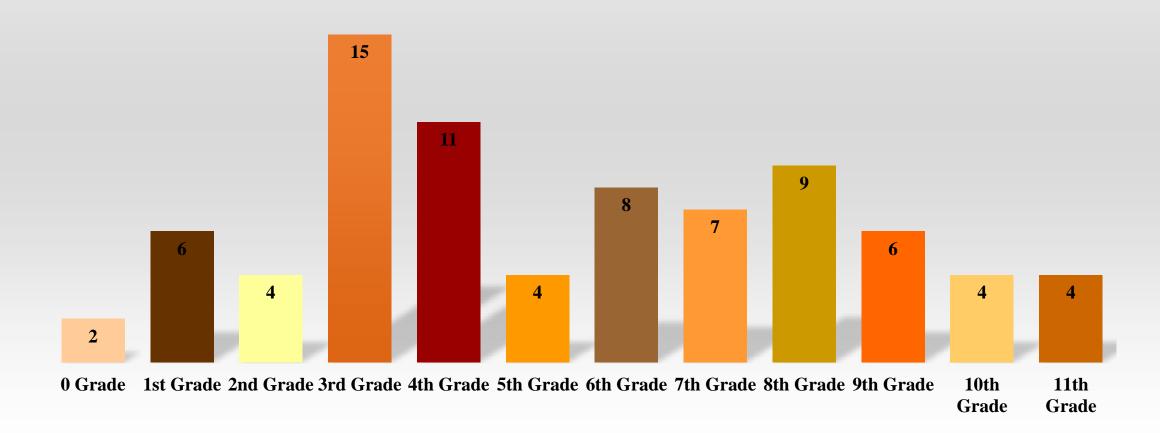


- School no. 124
- School no. 125
- Technical College of Architecture "I.N.Socolescu
- School no. 147
- Theoretic High school "I. Barbu"
- Technological College "G. Cherchez"
- School no. 311
- Pentecostal Theological High school"Emanuel"
- Technical High school "Pamfil Seicaru"
- Technological High school "Dimitrie Gusti"

- National College Mihai Eminescu
- School "Sf. Andrei"
- School no. 115
- National College of Arts "Dinu Lipatti"
- School no. 142
- Technical College of Food Industry "D. Motoc"
- "Viilor" College
- School no. 132
- Technical High school "Dragomir Hurmuzescu"
- High school Sports Program

- School no. 126
- School no. 131
- Theoretic High school "D.Bolitintineanu"
- School no. 148
- School no. 127
- School no. 141
- School no. 135
- School no. 130
- Tehnical College "Mihai Bravu"

THE CHILDREN'S DISTRIBUTION ON GRADES





Socio-educational integration of the children with learning difficulties.

1 Wait for me

- -14 children reduced their learning difficulties;
- -14 children have made school progress;
- **-14 children** benefited from pedagogical guidance, psychological and social counseling, material support, occupational therapy and socialization activities;
- -35 indirect beneficiaries (parents, brothers) were supported;
- -14 children increased their level of digital literacy;
- -14 children have reduced their focusing attention problems;
- -14 children developed their self-confidence.

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Help me to grow up!

- -5 children have been maintained in family and school;
- **-5 children** have benefited from pedagogical guidance and non-formal education;
- -5 children have made progress in using the computer and the tablet;
- -5 children adapted better at the pupil role;
- -5 children registered progress regarding their behavior;
- -9 indirect beneficiaries (brothers and parents) have received psychological and material support within the project.

PROJECT'S PURPOSE

Facilitating the access to education and to a solid basis for socio-professional integration





Facilitating the access to education and raising the chances for socio-professional integration.

Carmen's children

- -16 children frequented the school/online school courses and they participated at the activities organized by the project team of Fundatia JOYO;
- -12 families received urgent material support;
- -16 children benefited from material support (food, school supplies, hygiene materials, clothes etc.);
- -16 children were equipped with laptops for online educational activity;
- -16 children improved their digital skills;
- -16 children made progress in learning as a result of the daily pedagogical guidance received within the project;



School is cool!

- -78 children attended to the school courses;
- -84 parents participated at the activities held within the "Parents' academy";
- **-207 beneficiaries** improved their life quality;
- -78 children obtained good and very good results at learning;
- -11 youth and young parents were supported to identify and to occupy a job.

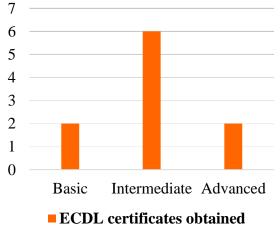
PROJECT'S PURPOSE

Prevention of family abandonment and school drop-out.





Digital literacy of the unprivileged children through IT courses and obtaining ECDL certificates.





Windows to the future!

- -10 ECDL certificates obtained (Basic-2, Intermediate-6, Advanced-2);
- -40 children have participated to 346 hours of IT courses held by the teacher;
- -88 beneficiaries, direct and indirect, improved their digital skills (participation at IT courses and at the guided activities);
- **-20 children** have received second hand laptops in order to participate at IT courses.



Ready, Steady, Go IT!

- **-20 children** have participated to guided activities and to IT courses held by the informatics teacher;
- -13 children have registered big progress regarding the taught curricula;
- **-20 children** have participated at 90 hours of IT courses following the EqualSkills curricula;
- -20 children were better prepared in using the PC taking in consideration the development of the online school courses.



The initiation of the children in using the computer and the tablet (as the precursor of "Windows to the future").





Offering support to youth for qualification and professional integration.

7 Start up!

- -10 youth were supported in order to follow qualification courses;
- -14 beneficiaries were supported to obtain a job;
- -14 youth and young parents have participated at workshops about how they have to present themselves at the interviews or to know the law in force in the work field:
- -14 youth and young parents developed their digital skills;
- -4 youth were guided and supported to enroll to technological high schools.

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Compass

- **-20 single parents** have participated at psychological and social counseling sessions, individual and the group;
- **-60 beneficiaries**, direct and indirect, have participated at socializing and leisure time activities;
- -15 single parents improved their parental skills;
- -20 single parent families benefited from material support;
- -15 single parents were guided and supported to obtain identity cards.

PROJECT'S PURPOSE

The development of social and parental skills through mobilization and responsibilization of single parents.





The prevention of ophthalmological and dental diseases among the children from vulnerable families.

9 Denthal and Ophthalmic Care

- -88 children were informed regarding the health of teeth and eyes;
- **-97 parents** were informed regarding the medical services that can be accessed freely;
- -88 children received materials for oral hygiene and they participated at workshops on topics of health and oral hygiene;
- -185 beneficiaries were more preoccupied of the health of their eyes and teeth.

10 Movement for health

- **-88 children** participated at workshops on topics of sports and its benefits on physical and psychological health;
- -88 children have participated at 135 activities of "Movement for health";
- -88 children maintained their health status:
- -88 children had a healthy alimentation, benefiting from a warm meal in Casa Florian or taken for home by the parents (when the restrictions imposed during the pandemic didn't allow working directly with the children).

PROJECT'S PURPOSE

The improvement of the children's health.





Project-campaign for preventing school drop-out among the pupils from schools from Bucharest.



- **-868 children** were informed about the causes, consequences of school drop-out, but also about the possibilities of preventing it among the pupils at risk;
- -4 gymnasium schools involved in project;
- -34 workshops on topic of school drop-out;
- -30 teachers participated at workshops on topics of solutions that exist regarding the school dropout;
- -the project was suspended because of the pandemic evolution and because of the interdictions imposed by the authorities.



- **-30 children** benefited from pedagogical guidance and material support;
- -30 children made progress regarding school;
- -30 **children** improved their digital skills, they were equipped with tablets;
- **-"Winners"** center stopped its activity in March 2020, once with the restrictions imposed by the authorities and closing the schools.

PROJECT'S PURPOSE

The prevention of failure and school drop-out, as well as personal development of unprivileged children (from a school from outskirts of Bucharest).



PROJECT'S PURPOSE

The development of the creativity, of the self-esteem and the improvement of the emotional balance of the children.



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Athelier of Creation and Art-therapy

- -88 children participated at occupational therapy activities;
- **-88 children** improved their skill of focusing the attention and they are more self-confident;
- **-88 children** managed to express their feelings through creating objects in Athelier of Creation and Art-Therapy;
- **-88 children** developed their creativity, esthetic and practical sense.

THE RECOGNITION OF OUR INVOLVEMENT IN SOCIAL FIELD

The efforts and the work in the benefit of the unprivileged children from Fundatia JOYO were rewarded also in 2020 at the Gala of Fundatia United Way. The reward "Binder for future" was given to Mrs. Adriana Constantinescu, Executive Director, for the most involved specialist.

During the 11 years of collaboration of the Fundatia JOYO with the Fundatia United Way Romania, children from socio-economically disadvantaged environments were supported educationally, socially and materially within the project "School is cool!". The project is partially financed by Fundatia United Way Romania and it puts the prevention of school drop-out and family abandonment first.



The reward "Binder for future" honors me and it touches me, too. It confirms my work and, implicitly, of the team. I thank to Fundatia United Way Romania for this recognition of our work and for the given support during all these years! (Adriana Constantinescu, Executive Director of Fundatia JOYO)

A DIFFERENT CHRISTMAS...

For the children from Casa Florian, the Christmas means emotions, carols, poetries and cheerfulness. The meeting with Santa Claus enjoyed them just like other children. Unfortunately, in 2020 the Christmas was different and the meeting with Santa Claus wasn't possible.



This time, including the Christmas was different. The time spent in the past together with the children and the elves in Casa Florian were transformed in short visits, individual or in groups, thus the physical distance and the imposed restrictions to be respected.

Despite all these, the smiles and the joy could be seen in the children's eyes when they saw that Santa Claus didn't forgot them and he brought them presents.





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The efforts and the involvement of all the donors, sponsors, financiers, volunteers and collaborators who joined our cause, have contributed to changing for better the life of the children from our projects.

We thank you all very much for your generosity and your support!

Fundatia JOYO's team

