

# DAY CARE CENTRE FOR MARGINALIZED CHILDREN

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# Day Care Center

Day Care Center for Marginalized Children in Ferizaj is a community-based service

The Daily Care Center in Ferizaj was financed by GIZ in Kosovo and supported by the Municipality of Ferizaj

The Center is established in 2019



# Project components

1. Psychosocial and educational services for vulnerable children and youth and their reintegration in society;
2. Psychosocial support for families, children and youth;
3. Advocacy and capacity building of local stakeholders to support vulnerable children and youth.



**Target Group:** children without parental care, children with behavioral, psychosocial and emotional difficulties; children at risk of abuse and neglect; children with learning difficulties; street children and working children; children from Roma communities, returnees-children and children with disabilities.

## How it worked in our case?

- Identified and referred cases by social centers and other stakeholders;
- Needs assessment
- Support individual plans were designed
- Provision of daily care and educational support
- Psychosocial sessions support
- Individual and group psychological counselling session and trainings for families
- Home visits
- Provision of educational activities with schools
- Provision of workshops for local stakeholders



## Challenges/Lessons learned

- The renovation of the facility
- Scattered locations
- Inability to provide transport for all children
- Lack of aggregated data
- Project time line



## Recommendations for those intending to adopt this best practice

- Comprehensive assessment and social mapping of the needs and situations
- Municipalities need to play active partnership role
- Long-term contracting with municipality for sustainability of the Day Care Centers
- The approach of Day Care Centers can be applied to different contexts
- Impact of children and family life
- Development of Public-Private-People Partnership
- Paid services for children from non-marginalized groups

**Thank you for your attention!**