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#### **OUTREACH WORK SERVICE OF DCR**



## Something about us



#### DCR Association

- Non-governmental organization which is operating since 1998 in the area of children's rights and child protection all over the country.
- The main goal of DCR is to provide assistance, support and care of children's rights in compliance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child and in line with the national polices related to Social Protection and Social inclusion.

## Activities for preventing the spread of COVID-19 amongst socially vulnerable Roma families in Shuto Orizari

Period of implementation of the practice: 1st September 2020- 31st December 2020

#### Our Mobile Outreach Work was focused on:

- Supporting beneficiaries (children and their families) to better understand and prevent the spread the virus and supporting them in finding solutions for the socio-health problems, challenges and risks that occurred from the virus. The service covered distribution of hygienic packages, school materials and informative-educational materials for protection and prevention from the virus. Apart distribution of packages and informative materials, we managed to accompany and support beneficiaries in accessing and using social, health and educational services.
- The service was successful tool through which we managed to reach those who are difficult to reach, living at the edges of poverty and help them gain knowledge about self-protection and prevention from COVID-19.
- We managed to **increase the awareness and educated vulnerable groups** for prevention of the virus and even more how **parents' skills can be improved** during pandemic periods
- We also supported children and families to access social, health and educational services when was critical and most difficult.
- Finally, through the outreach work we managed to support the education process of children living in disadvantaged neighborhoods.

#### Main Activities that were carried out:

- 1. Provision of informative-educational activities within the DCC and during the field visits-
- educating 75 families and 65 children about proper use of masks, respecting distance, regular and good wash of hands, giving advice on healthy eating during pandemics, symptom recognition door to door and provision of static services within the premises of the Daycare center in workshop format. For this activity we created the informative flyer-1000 pieces witch presentation was introduced during the field visits/workshops.
- 2. Distribution of hygienic packages and food and refreshments –distributed 75 packages for 75 families. This activity was done in combination with the informative-educational activities.
- 3. Provision of psycho-social support and counselling
- -Through individual and group 213 psychosocial counselling sessions with the parents and 181 psychosocial counselling session with the children were supported 75 families in solving problems, challenges and difficulties they have faced during the COVID-19.



#### Main Activities we carried out:

### 4. Field activity – distributing of informative flyer/awareness raising in the community and among the user families.

-were distributed informative flyers (1000) with useful information about the prevention of the virus and advices for protection according to the measures and recommendations for protection and prevention of the pandemic caused by COVID-19.

#### 5. Provision of Educational/creative workshops with children

 37 creative and recreational workshops and 37 educational workshops for 65 children were carried out.

#### 6. Distribution of school supplies for 50 children

- 50 school enrolled children received pencils, notebooks, drawing block, felt-tip pens, wood paints, tempera paints, small scissors, collage paper, sharpeners, erasers, linear, as well as backpacks for two school semesters; some of these children also participated on the creative workshops.





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# Thank you for your attention!

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